MALNUTRITION IN HOSPITALIZED PATIENTS
ASSOCIATED WITH HIGHER COSTS, LONGER STAYS & INCREASED MORTALITY

1.95 million
hospital stays involved malnutrition in 2013

Malnutrition is associated with:

- **Economic Burden**: Hospital stays involving malnutrition accounted for $42 billion
- **Human Cost**: Most malnutrition-related stays have a substantially higher proportion of in-hospital deaths
- **Longer Hospital Stays**: Most hospital stays were 2x longer

Rate of malnutrition is highest:

- **In lowest income communities**
- **Older Adults**

Understanding the impact of malnutrition. Learn more at: www.nutritioncare.org/malnutrition