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National Nurses United has been alerting the public to the situation of patients who, for various reasons, are getting their coverage provided in a fashion the union calls "Home All Alone". In some cases patients are not completely alone, as friends or family or hired aid out of pocket see to various needs. These needs can include the frequent or continuous operation of medical, hygiene, and/or IAQ devices, as well as clothes washer and dryer operation and hot water usage more commensurate to a care facility than to a household under normal circumstances. On paper, income might be in the realm of the privileged; in practice, the costs of hygiene products, energy, and the heightened need to keep up with rent or mortgage and property taxes can leave a household so affected feeling unable to afford the PV and storage and electrified water heaters and clothes dryers and the associated electrical upgrades which would benefit both the climate and the wallet. Is any method being contemplated to consider "home all alone" patients in means testing equations for equitable building decarbonization?

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