
SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ENSURE THAT THE CURRENT RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM MODEL IS NOT DISMANTLED WITH THE PROPOSED QUEST EXPANDED ACCESS PROGRAM.

1 WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services has proposed
2 QUEST Expanded Access to serve the aged, blind, and disabled
3 population through a Medicaid health maintenance organization,
4 which will lead to the inclusion of the Residential Alternatives
5 Community Care Foster Family Homes Service Array, in a continuum
6 of services for our State's aged, blind, and disabled clients,
7 networked through managed care staff and vendors to assure
8 improved health outcomes for this population; and

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10 WHEREAS, the Residential Alternatives Community Care Foster
11 Family Homes Service Array consists of two distinct service
12 providers, licensed case management agencies and Community Care
13 Foster Family Homes, that work together to provide high-quality
14 care at a significant cost savings to the State; and

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16 WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services and service
17 providers have recognized that case management agencies provide
18 two functions: case management and service assessment; and

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20 WHEREAS, Community Care Foster Family Homes provide living
21 accommodations and other related services to clients with
22 nursing level care needs; and

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24 WHEREAS, the Residential Alternatives Community Care Foster
25 Family Homes Service Array consists of three distinct
26 components: case management, service assessment, and Community
27 Care Foster Family Homes; and

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29 WHEREAS, the service assessment and Community Care Foster
30 Family Homes together create a nursing facility level of care
31 choice for consumers who prefer residential alternatives to
32 nursing home care; now, therefore,

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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-third
2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006,
3 that the Department of Human Services, the Adult Foster Home
4 Association, the Case Management Council, and other stakeholders
5 are requested to work together to clearly define the three
6 distinct components of the Residential Alternatives Community
7 Care Foster Family Homes Service Array and their mode of service
8 delivery for inclusion in the Department's Request for Proposal
9 regarding the QUEST Expanded Access program; and

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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature supports the
12 preservation of the three distinct components of the current
13 Residential Alternative Community Care program service array:
14 case management, service assessment, and Community Care Foster
15 Family Homes; and

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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
18 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Human Services.

