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MINUTES OF THE _SENATE COMMITTEE ON	PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE
The meeting was called to order by $_$ Senator Roy M .	Ehrlich at Chairperson
3:00 axii 7p.m. on March 23,	19^{92} in room $521-S$ of the Capitol.
All members were present except:	en e
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Committee staff present:	
Jo Ann Bunten, Committee Secretary	

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Lyndon Drew, Department on Aging John Grace, Kansas Association of Homes for the Aging John Kiefhaber, Kansas Health Care Association John C. Peterson, Manor Health Care Karren Weichert, Hospice

Chairman Ehrlich called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and announced continuation of hearing on <u>HB 2566</u> - Assessment and referral service prior to admission to an adult care home.

Lyndon Drew, Department on Aging, submitted written testimony and stated the Department supports the bill with the amendments presented by SRS, which was a joint effort of the Departments of SRS, Health and Environment and Aging, and one of the key features is the requirement that information on long term care be distributed by nursing homes, physicians and hospitals. HB 2566 is one component of a long term care system, and to be successful, the other components must be in place, such as the House has proposed in HB 2720 an expansion of the Senior Care Act to a statewide program, and the House Appropriations Committee will be discussing long term care issues in the SRS budget. Mr. Drew emphasized that in-home services must be available in the communities if people are assessed pursuant to HB 2566 and diverted from nursing home care. (Attachment 1)

Written testimony in support of <u>HB 2566</u> was received from Gina McDonald, Kansas Association of Centers for Independent Living, Terri Roberts, Kansas State Nurses Association, and Joseph Kroll, Health and Environment, with recommendations. (<u>Attachments 2, 3, and 4)</u>

John Grace, Kansas Association of Homes for the Aging, submitted written testimony on <u>HB 2566</u> and stated KAHA has concern with language on page 2, (d), lines 24 - 27, defining who can be designated providers of assessment and referral services, and on page 3, (f), lines 19-23, regarding an individual's right to choose that does not supersede the authority of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services to determine whether the placement is appropriate and to deny eligibility for long-term care payment if inappropriate placement is chosen. (Attachment S)

John Kiefhaber, Kansas Health Care Association, submitted written testimony and expressed his concern with <u>HB 2566</u> regarding (1) the duplication of comprehensive assessment and the forms required which would consume up to 6 hours of valuable time to complete, and (2) residents who do not need to be in a nursing facility are automatically identified by the use of the MDS. (Attachment 6)

John C. Peterson, Manor Health Care, submitted written testimony and stated **HB 2566** would create a new bureaucracy that is going to be paid \$1.468 million to conduct 12,250 screenings on non Medicaid individuals each year. There is no fiscal analysis that shows projected savings from

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE	SENATE	COMMITTEE ON	PUBLIC HEALTH	AND	WELFARE	,
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this program for private pay individuals or no analysis of the amount of money that private pay individuals have when they enter a nursing home. (Attachment 7)

Karen Weichert, Association of Kansas Hospices, submitted written testimony and stated they are asking that all Hospice Medicare Benefit certified hospices in the state be exempt from HB 2566 because an assessment is carefully made by the physician, nurse, and social worker, and that the role of the nurse and social worker and other members of the hospice team is to help the patient understand his/her options and make the choice that best meets that patient's need. Those persons served by these hospices are in the last six months of their lives and are terminally ill, and to require them to go through an assessment, in addition to the assessment that they will go through with the hospice staff, seems burdensome. (Attachment 8)

Written testimony was received from Monica Flask, Halstead Hospital, expressing the following concerns with the bill: (1) mandatory pre-screening would be a duplication of services for many people, (2) it would not be cost-effective to do a comprehensive "needs assessment" of community-based services, and (3) very few people enter a nursing home because they are unaware of existing services. (Attachment 9)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for March 24, 1992, 10:00 a.m., Room 526-S.

SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

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Testimony on Sub. HB 2566 Pre-Admission Assessment and Referral

before the Senate Public Health & Welfare Committee

by the Kansas Department on Aging March 23, 1992

The Kansas Department on Aging supports the Sub. HB 2566 with the amendments presented by SRS. The bill comes to you as a joint effort of the Departments of SRS, Health & Environment, and Aging. We believe that it is an important component of a long term care system in Kansas.

Need for Information

One of the key features of the substitute bill is the requirement that information on long term care be distributed by nursing homes, physicians, and hospitals. This information would be provided by the Department on Aging through the area agencies on aging. This information would also be available in area offices of SRS, in local health departments, in senior centers, and from the area agencies on aging.

In 1991, Minnesota studied its pre-admission screening process and found that people often got information on alternative services too late. If an assessment is performed after a person has applied for nursing home care, that person has probably exhausted community-based resources in trying to stay out of the nursing home. The nursing home becomes the last and only resort.

Minnesota, therefore, chose to add a public awareness campaign to its system to inform people in need of long term care about services. Sub. HB 2566 adds this feature to the Kansas system so that people will get information sooner rather than later. If people can find alternative services first, the need for nursing home care may be delayed.

Need for In-Home Services

Sub. HB 2566 is one component of a long term care system. To be successful, the other components must be in place. The House has proposed in HB 2720 an expansion of the Senior Care Act to a statewide program. The Senate Ways and Means Committee began this morning to consider this budget. The House Appropriations Committee is discussing long term care issues in the SRS budget (SB 507) this week. In-home services must be available in our communities if people are assessed pursuant to HB 2566 and diverted from nursing home care.

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Multiple Assessment Agencies

Another feature of the bill is the freedom provided consumers in choosing an agency for an assessment. Sec. 1(c)(2) authorizes SRS to designate agencies to provide assessment and referral services. Thus, consumers may be able to have an assessment performed through a hospital, local health department, area agency on aging, SRS office, or any other agency designated by SRS. SRS, not the consumer, pays for the assessment.

The bill also provides consumers freedom to choose among the alternatives, including nursing home care, after the assessment.

Conclusion

The Department on Aging supports the amendments proposed by SRS to Sub. HB 2566 and urges your approval of the bill as amended.

Insas \mathcal{A} ssociation of

Centers for Independent Living

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TESTIMONY TO

Gina McDonald Executive Director

SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

SENATOR ROY M. EHRLICH, CHAIRMAN

MARCH 23, 1992

Member agencies:

ILC of Southcentral Kansas Wichita, Kansas (316) 942-8079 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of H.B. 2566. My name is Gina McDonald and I represent the Kansas Association of Centers for Independent Living (KACIL).

KACIL is an organization comprised of nine Centers for

community, and to make changes in the community so that independent living is possible. On a day to day basis,

individuals with physical, psychiatric and/or cognitive

living in nursing homes because they, or their parents

services available. Last year, with the assistance of

never should have entered nursing homes, or adult care

or the local S.R.S. office was not aware of community

Center for Independent Living staff, twenty four (24) young people with disabilities moved out of Adult Care

In that role we all to often receive

Independent Living. Our mission is to assist people

with disabilities to live independently in the

staff from Centers work with and are themselves

calls from young people with disabilities who are

Homes to live independently in the community.

Independence, Inc. Lawrence, Kansas (913) 841-0333

Independent Connection

LINK, Inc. Hays, Kansas (913) 625-2521

Salina, Kansas (913) 827-9383

disabilities.

homes in the first place.

Resource Center for Independent Living Osage City, Kansas (913) 528-3105

Resource Network for the Disabled Atchison, Kansas (913) 367-6367 H.B. 2566 will require that all individuals receive assessment and referral services prior to entering an adult care home. It further requires that information about community services be made available to individuals and that data be collected to determine where there is need for additional community services.

The WHOLE PERSON, Inc. Kansas City, Missouri (816) 361-0304

Three Rivers Independent Living Resource Center Wamego, Kansas (913) 456-9915 KACIL wishes to offer our strong support for H.B.2566. It is our belief that this bill is critical to insuring that individuals have options to Adult Care Home placement. Those options will be available if the Secretary of S.R.S assures that individuals who complete these screenings are aware of community alternatives, and that the screeners encourage community living alternatives.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak in support of this important bill.

Topeka Independent Living Resource Center Topeka, Kansas (913) 267-7100

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Terri Roberts, J.D., R.N. Executive Director Kansas State Nurses' Association 700 S.W. Jackson Suite 601 Topeka, Kansas 66603-3731 (913) 233-8638 March 23, 1992

SUBSTITUTE H.B. 2566 PRE-ADMISSION SCREENING FOR NURSING HOME ADMISSION

Senator Erhlich and members of the Committee for Public Health and Welfare: My name is Carolyn Middendorf, and I am a registered professional nurse licensed to practice in the state of Kansas. Presently I am an Assistant Professor of Nursing at Washburn University in Kansas. Thank you for letting me offer this written testimony in support of Substitute HB 2566 regarding pre-admission assessment for individuals who are considering nursing home admission.

This bill not only would require the pre-admission assessment in order to provide appropriate recommendation for placement, but require that information regarding options and available services to individuals and their families. We know that community based services are sparse across the state, but this would require that information concerning these services be compiled for use in referral services by a number of providers. SRS would also have available the data that directs the services which are available as well as the services which are needed by citizens in Kansas.

Fiscal impact provided by SRS indicates there could be nearly \$500,000/yr. net savings to the State in nursing home costs by using this technique to accurately assess services needed and referral and placement. As nurses we believe such action is imperative in the effort to turn around the soaring costs of nursing home care in this State. We believe that the shortage of services will be overcome when there is hard data to indicate such services are needed and in which areas.

We would appreciate your support of Substitute H.B. 2566 as one means of reversing the rising health care costs to our citizens.

Thank you for your attention.

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700 S.W. Jackson, Suite 601 • Topeka, Kansas 66603-3731 • (913) 233-8638 • FAX (913) 233-5222 Attach, Michele Hinds, M.N., R.N.—President • Terri Roberts, J.D., R.N.—Executive Director

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Department of Health and Environment Azzie Young, Ph.D., Secretary

Reply to:

Testimony Presented to the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee

by

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Substitute for House Bill 2566

1991 House Bill 2566 was considered by the House Public Health and Welfare Committee. The bill was tabled due to a number of concerns the committee had, with the understanding being that SRS would come back with revisions or a proposed substitute for 1992 legislative consideration.

Substitute House Bill 2566 is the result of a collaborative effort by KDHE, SRS, and the Department on Aging to develop a bill that affirmatively addresses the issue of providing information on alternatives to those seeking nursing home admission. The bill also provides a means for such information to be developed and distributed, assures a standardized yet simple assessment tool and guarantees that a person not under Medicaid retains freedom of choice.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, as a partner with SRS and the Department on Aging, recognizes that Kansas has devoted significant resources to long term institutional care and that non-institutional community resources have not been made available to the extent of becoming a viable option for persons needing assistance. We think that the provisions in Substitute HB 2566, which require the Department on Aging to compile comprehensive resource information on long term care, coupled with the requirement that adult care homes, hospitals, and physicians provide this information to persons seeking nursing home placement, will confirm that non-institutional alternatives are badly needed and help identify the types of such services needed.

To assure that such assessments are done uniformly, the bill authorizes the Secretary of SRS to develop a uniform needs assessment instrument and directs that this instrument be as concise and short as needed. We also commend this language in that the interest

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of all three agencies is not in developing a new burden of paperwork, but only to identify the kind of non-institutional community resources that are needed.

The Department of Health and Environment has some concern with provisions added to the bill during House committee deliberations. Therefore, KDHE makes the following recommendations:

- 1. The effective date of the bill should be changed to January 1, 1993. We do not think it is feasible to expect the Department of SRS to develop an assessment tool and network to conduct these assessments by July 1, 1992. Although the elements of an assessment tool are readily available, a network of providers to conduct the assessments must be developed and fully trained. It will be better to delay implementation of the program and do it correctly than to rush and doom the bill's intent to failure because inadequate time for preparation was not allowed.
- 2. We believe that Section (e) (2), line two, needs to include language that excludes residents of boarding care homes, personal care homes, or one and two bed homes from the list of persons exempted from this admission assessment. These types of facilities are limited to the provision of simple nursing tasks and someone coming from such a facility needs to be assessed to see if other non-institutional options to nursing home placement are appropriate.
- 3. We recommend that Section (e) (3) include language to assure that an assessment be completed prior to the end of the 30th day. This exception to assessment prior to admission is an important provision to allow nursing facility stays for short terms, but will become a significant loophole in that many people may be admitted who will not benefit from the assessment and perhaps unknowingly remain in the nursing home when other options are available.
- 4. We recommend that the exception found in Section (e) (4) be deleted. Persons whose care is paid for by the Veterans Administration have a right to know what other options are available in their community. Deleting this exception in no way compromises a person covered under VA benefits from selecting the nursing home if they so choose.
- 5. We recommend that the exception found in Section (e) (5) also be deleted. An assessment done in another state, even within three months of proposed admission to a Kansas nursing home, is of no benefit. The primary purpose of this bill is to identify and apprise people of options to nursing home care existing in Kansas.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment supports House Bill 2566 with the exceptions noted above. We support this bill because it properly focuses attention on the

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need to identify alternatives to nursing homes and will help identify the type, location, and quantity of such alternatives.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment does not recognize this bill as a major cost saving measure, but it will serve to improve the entire long term care system and should be supported for this reason.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment respectfully requests that Substitute House Bill 2566 be favorably recommended after amended as recommended above.

Presented

by:

Joseph F. Kroll, Director

Bureau of Adult and Child Care

Kansas Department of Health and Environment

March 23, 1992



To: Senator Roy Ehrlich, Chairman

Public Health & Welfare

From: John Grace, President/CEO

Kansas Association of Homes for the Aging

Date: March 23, 1992

Re: HB 2566

Enhancing the quality of life of those we serve since 1953.

Mr. Chairman, members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify today.

KAHA supports the practice of fully informing individuals of their choices for care and expanding the continuum of care available to the frail elderly. However, I would like to direct your attention to concerns that KAHA has with two sections of HB 2566.

My first concern is with section (d), defining who can be designated providers of assessment and referral services. I am specifically concerned with the language on lines 24-27, stating that, "No person licensed to operate an adult care home under the adult care home licensure act, or any agent or employee of such person, shall be designated as a provider of assessment and referral services under this subsection."

This will be a significant hardship in rural areas where the only person available to perform the assessment is the local physician, who is also on staff at the nursing home. There is little likelihood that a health care professional, particularly a doctor, will be inappropriately biased towards nursing home placement. There may, however, be a bias from home health providers or from a developing assessment industry that may encourage inappropriate types of care that are incapable of meeting the medical needs of a person that can actually result in harm to the individual.

Therefore, KAHA does not support the restriction against nursing home administrators or agents or employees from performing the assessment.

The second concern regards section (f), lines 19-23, which states that, "An individual's right to choose does not supersede the authority of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services to

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I am concerned that a private pay resident who has chosen to live in a nursing home will be denied Medicaid coverage several years later when his/her condition worsens and all of his/her resources are exhausted.

A related issue is the possible difference in assessment instruments, if the intent is for the assessment and referral tool to be simple for the designated provider to use. It will have to be significantly different from the complex assessment tool currently being used to determine medical necessity for medicaid coverage. Currently, every person applying for medicaid coverage of nursing home care goes through an extensive evaluation to determine the medical necessity for this level of care. If the placement is not appropriate, SRS will deny eligibility.

The authority of SRS to deny coverage should continue under this bill, but should not be expanded to penalize a person who exercises free choice in determining his/her long term care Under the proposed bill, a person can resource. enter a nursing home and pay for their care privately. However, if the designated provider of assessment and referral services uses a simplified assessment tool and concludes that the placement is not appropriate, the person will later be penalized even though their condition may worsen or the more complete medicaid assessment determine that nursing home placement is appropriate. result is obviously unfair. Alternatively, if the assessment tool is to be the MDS+, the proposed bill has eliminated most people who are trained to use it.

Therefore, I would ask that the Committee address these concerns before taking action on this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

State of Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services

MINIMUM DATA SET PLUS FOR NURSING FACILITY RESIDENT ASSESSMENT AND CARE SCREENING (MDS+) (Status in the last seven days, unless otherwise indicated)

State of Kansas Department of Health and Environment MS-2101 10-91

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MINIMUM DATA SET PLUS FOR NURSING FACILITY RESIDENT ASSESSMENT AND CARE SCREENING (MDS+) (Status in the last seven days, unless otherwise indicated)

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		Motor agitation such as pacing, handwringing					
1		or picking	c.				
1		Pervasive concern with health	d.				
ŀ		Recurrent thoughts of death - e.g., believes	8				
1		he/she about to die, have a heart attack	e.				
		Suicidal thoughts/actions	f.				
		Failure to eat or take medications	g.				
	1	Withdrawal from self-care, leisure activities	h.				
		Reduced communications	H				
			H				
		Early morning awakening with unpleasant mood	H		•		
1	1	INONE OF ABOVE	N		-		

Res	ident:			\$\$4	#:	Facility #:		_
		WELL BEING						
SEC	CTION F. PSYC	CHOSOCIAL WELL-BEING	T. 1	le i	PREFERS	Resident expresses or indicates preferences		
1.	SENSE OF	At ease interacting with others	B.	5.		for other activities or choices.		
	INITIATIVE	At ease doing planned or structured activities	-		DIFFERENT	to out the contract of the contract.		
	1	At ease doing self-initiated activities	c.	1 1	ACTIVITIES	0. No 1, Yes		
		Establishes own goals	0.	6.		Resident is under medical orders for isolation		3.7
		Pursues involvement in life of facility		"	1	which prohibits participation in group activities.	Ì	
		(e.g., makes/keeps friends; involved in group			01.02.0	0. No 1. Yes	-	
		activities; responds positively to new activities; assists at religious services)	e.					
		Accepts invitations into most group activities	 	SEC	TION H. PHY	SICAL FUNCTIONING AND		
		Adjusts easily to changes in routine	g.		UCTURAL PR	•		
		NONE OF ABOVE	h.		ADL SELF-PERI		Ε	
2		Covert/open conflict with and/or repeated	3333			ring last 7 days - Not including setup)		
2	RELATION-	criticism of staff	a.			NT - No help or oversight - OR - Help/oversight		
	SHIPS	Unhappy with roommate	b.			1 or 2 times during last 7 days.		
1	Shirs	Unhappy with residents other than roommate	c.			N - Oversight, encouragement, or cueing provided	3+	
ĺ		Openty expresses conflict/anger with family				st 7 days - OR - Supervision plus physical		
		or friends	d.			vided only 1 or 2 times during last 7 days		
1		Absence of personal contact with family/friends	e.			SISTANCE - Resident highly involved in activity,		
		Recent loss of close family member/friend	f.			ical help in guided maneuvering of limbs, or other		
		Avoids interactions with others	g.			aring assistance 3+ times - OR - More help provided	Í	
		NONE OF ABOVE	h.		_	es during last 7 days.		
3.	PAST	Strong identification with past roles and life status	8		3. EXTENSIVE	ASSISTANCE - While resident performed part of acti	ıνπy.	
3.	ROLES	Expresses sadness/anger/empty feeling over			over last 7 day	period, help of following type(s) provided 3 or more	ртн	≥ \$∶
	110000	lost roles/status	ь		- Weight-bea	uing support		
		NONE OF ABOVE	c.			eformance during part (but not all) of last 7 days		
	1				4. TOTAL DEPE	NDENCE - Full staff performance of activity during		
SE	CTION G. ACT	IVITY PURSUIT PATTERNS			entire 7 days.			
1.	TIME	(Check appropriate time periods over last 7 days)		2.	ADL SUPPORT	PROVIDED (Code for MOST SUPPORT		2
	AWAKE	Resident awake all or most of time (i.e., no			PROVIDED OVE	ER ALL SHIFTS during last 7 days; ∞de	S	S
	//////	naps or naps no more than one hour per time			regardless of re	sident's self-performance classification)	е	u
		period) in the:					1	P
		Morning a Evening	C.	l	0. No setup or p	physical help from staff	1	P
		Afternoon b. NONE OF ABOVE	d.	1	 Setup help o 		P	0
2	AVERAGE				2. One-person		r	ľ
	TIME	0. Most 2. Little				ns physical assist	1	1
	INVOLVED	more than 2/3 of time less than 1/3		8.		How resident moves to and from lying position,		
1	IN	1. Some of time		_	MOBILITY	turns side to side, and positions body while in bed	├	├-
	ACTIVITIES	1/3 to 2/3 of time 3. None	188	b.	IHANSFER	How resident moves between surfaces - to/ from; bed, chair, wheelchair, standing position		
3.	PREFERRED	(Check all settings in which activities are preferred)				1		
	ACTIVITY	Own room a.				(EXCLUDE to/from bath/toilet)	-	├-
	SETTINGS	Day/activity room b. Outside facility	d.	C.		How resident moves between locations in his/		
		Inside NF/off unit c. NONE OF ABOVI	e.		мопом	her room and adjacent corridor on same floor.		
4.	GENERAL	(Check all activities preferences whether or not act	vity			If in wheelchair, self-sufficiency once in chair	 	<u> </u>
	ACTIVITY	is currently available to resident)		d.	DRESSING	How resident puts on, fastens, and takes off all		
	PRE-	Cards/other games a. Going outdoors		ĺ		items of street clothing, including		
	FERENCES		3.0	 		donning/removing prosthesis		⊢
	(Adapted	Exercise/sports c. wheeling/sitting)	h.	e.	EATING	How resident eats and drinks		
1	to resident's	— —	1	<u> </u>	TOU CT USE	(regardless of skill)	+-	+
	current	Read/write e. Gardening/plants	_ <u> -</u> -	1.	I TOILET USE	How resident uses the toilet room (or commode,		
	abilities)	Spiritual/religious Talking/conversin	9 <u> </u>			bedpan, urinal); transfers on/off toilet, cleanses,	1	1
		activities f. Helping others	1			changes pad, manages ostomy or catheter, adjusts clothes	1	
L	<u></u>	Trips/shopping g. NONE OF ABOVE	lm.	-	PERSONAL	<u> </u>	+	+
				8	HYGIENE	including combing hair, brushing teeth, shaving,		
					I III GICINE	applying makeup, washing/drying face, hands,		
						and perineum (EXCLUDE baths and showers)		1
				L	1			4

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R	esident:					SS#:		Facility #:	
_	ECTION H. CON						ADI ELINO	Resident believes he/she capable of increased	1000
3.	BATHING			ty bath/shower, sponge		9.	TIONAL	independence in at least some ADLs	
		bath, and transf					REHAB.	Direct care staff believe resident capable of	100
		•	-	ack and hair). Code			POTENTIAL	increased independence in at least some ADLs	Ь
				if-performance and support			POIENTIAL	Resident able to perform tasks/activity	<u>.</u>
1		•		codes appear below.	1 2				-
		Use support cox			S			but is very slow	C.
	1	0. Independent - No			PS	1 1		Major difference in ADL Self-Performance or	111
	1	1. Supervision - Ove	_	·				ADL Support in mornings and evenings (at	
	1	Physical help limit		•				least a one category change in	-
	1 1	Physical help in p		hing activity				Self-Performance or Support in any ADL)	d.
	1	 Total dependence 	2					Self-performance restricted due to absence of	-
		b. Tub/whirlpool		Bed bath	C.			assistive devices (e.g., brace or wheelchair)	e.
		bath	a	Bath lift	d.			Tires noticeably during most days	ļ'.
L		Shower	b.	NONE OF ABOVE	е.			Active avoidance of activity for which resident is	,
4.	BODY	(Check all that apply	r during la			1 1		physically/cognitively capable (e.g., fear of falling)	_
	CONTROL	Balance - partial or		Hand - lack of dexterity				NONE OF ABOVE	h.
	PROBLEMS	total loss of abi	lity	(e.g., problem usin	1000000				
		to balance self		toothbrush or adjus	sting			ITINENCE IN LAST 14 DAYS	
		while standing	a.	hearing aid)	f.	1.		SELF-CONTROL CATEGORIES	
	[Bedfast all or most		Leg - partial or total			(Code for reside	ent performance over all shifts.)	
	1	of the time	b.	loss of voluntary			continent	- Complete control	
		Hemiplegia/		movement	g.		1. USUALLY C	ONTINENT - BLADDER, incontinent episodes once	
		hemiparesis	c.	Leg - unsteady gait	h.		a week or les	s; BOWEL, less than weekly	
		Quadriplegia	d.	Trunk - partial or total			2 OCCASIONA	LLY INCONTINENT - BLADDER, 2 + times a week	
	ļ	Arm - partial or total		loss of ability to			but not daily;	BOWEL once a week	
		loss of voluntar	ry 💹	position balance, o	x 🔛		3. FREQUENTL	Y INCONTINENT - BLADDER, tended to be	
	!	movement	e.	turn body	i.		incontinent d	aily, but some control present (e.g., on day shift);	
	1			Amputation	j.		BOWEL 2-31	imes a week	
	1			NONE OF ABOVE	k		4. INCONTINE	NT - Had inadequate control. BLADDER, multiple	
5.	CONTRAC-	(Check all that apply	y in the pr	ior 7 days)			daily episode	s; BOWEL, all (or almost all) of the time	
	TURES	Contractures - None	-		а	a.	BOWEL	Control of bowel movement, with appliance or	
		Contractures - Face	/Neck		b.		CONTI-	bowel continence programs, if employed	
		Contractures - Shou	ulder/Elbx	>w	C.		NENCE		
		Contractures - Hank	d/Wrist		d.	b.	BLADDER	Control of urinary bladder function (if dribbles,	T
		Contractures - Hip/I	Knee		e.		CONTI-	volume insufficient to soak through	Ŀ
		Contractures - Foot	/Ankle		f.		NENCE	underpants), with appliances (e.g., foley) or	
6.	MOBILITY	(Check all that apply	y during k	st 7 days)	- I			continence programs, if employed	
	APPLIANCES/		,	Lifted (manually/		2.	INCONTI-	(Skip if resident's bladder and bowel contin-	111
	DEVICES	Brace/Prosthesis	ь.	mechanically)	e.		NENCE	ence codes equals 0/1 and no catheter used)	48
		Wheeled self	——	Transfer aid (slide brd)	f.		RELATED	Resident has been tested for a unnary tract infection	ı a.
		Other person		Trapeze	g.		TESTING	Resident has been checked for presence of a	75
		wheeled		NONE OF ABOVE	h.	1		fecal impaction	ь.
17	TASK SEG-	Resident requires the	1					There is adequate bowel elimination	c.
1		ADL activities be br						NONE OF ABOVE	d.
	MENTATION	sub-tasks so that re			\Box	3.	APPLIANCES	Any scheduled toilet- Did not use toilet rm/	
		0. No.	1. Yes	n penemi siem.		-	AND	ing plan a commode/urinal	_
8	. CHANGE IN	Change in ADL fun		et 90 days	38.5.			External (condom) Pads/briefs used	1.
ľ	ADL	Charge in AUC IUI			H			catheter b. Enemas/imigation	g.
	FUNCTION	0. No change	1. Impro	oved 2. Deteriorated			1	Indwelling catheter c. Ostomy	h.
Ļ	1 . 0011011	10. 110 0.101190				'		Intermittent catheter d. NONE OF ABOVE	i.
						4.	CHANGE IN	Change in urinary continence, appliances,	1.0
						1	URINARY	and/or programs in last 90 days	
							CONTI-	0. No change 1. Improved 2. Deteriorated	
						1	NENCE		
							I INCINCE	•	

Re	Resident:								
SE	CTION J. SKIN	CONDITION AND FOOT CARE	· · · · ·						
1.	STASIS	Open lesion caused by poor venous circulation							
	ULCER	to lower extremities							
		0. No 1. Yes							
2	PRESSURE	(Record the number of sites for presence of each	-						
	ULCERS	stage of pressure ulcers. If none are present at the							
		stage stated, record "0" (zero) in the space	No.						
		provided. Code all that apply to resident	at						
		Coming last 1 days.	tage						
		a. Stage 1. A persistent area of skin redness							
		(without a break in the skin) that does not							
1 1		disappear when pressure is relieved.							
		b. Stage 2. A partial thickness loss of skin layers	8.753						
1 1		that presents clinically as an abrasion,	1 1						
		blister, or shallow crater.							
		c. Stage 3. A full thickness of skin is lost,							
		exposing the subcutaneous tissues -							
		presents as a deep crater with or without							
		undermining adjacent tissue.							
		d. Stage 4. A full thickness of skin and sub-	10.000						
		cutaneous tissue is lost, exposing	-						
		muscle and/or bone.	-						
3.		Resident has had a pressure ulcer that was							
		resolved/cured in last 90 days.							
	CURED								
	PRESSURE		500						
_	ULCERS	0. No 1. Yes	a						
4.	l .	Skin desensitized to pain, pressure, discomfort	b.						
1		Abrasions, bruises	c.						
	PRESENT	Burns (second or third degree)	d.						
	PRESENT	Surgical wounds Cuts (other than surgery)	e.						
		Open lesions other than stasis/pressure ulcers,	<u></u>						
Ì		or cuts	f.						
		Rashes	g.						
		NONE OF ABOVE	h.						
5.	ACTIVE	Protective/preventive skin care	a.						
١٠.	SKIN CARE	· ·	ь.						
	PROGRAM	Pressure relieving bods,bod/chair pads							
	11100.0	(e.g., egg crate pads)	c.						
		Surgical wound or pressure ulcer care	d.						
l		Other skin care/treatment	e.						
		Special nutrition/hydration program	f.						
		Special application/ointments/medications	g.						
-		Ostomy care (e.g., trach) (routine/stable)	h.						
		NONE OF ABOVE	i.						
6.	SPECIAL	During the past 7 days has the resident used	1.38						
	STOCKINGS	TED or similar stockings? 0. No 1. Yes							
7.	FOOT CARE		3.33						
		Protective/preventive Foot Care:							
		(e.g., special shoes, inserts, pads, toe							
		separators, nail/callus trimming, etc.)	а.						
		Active Foot Care Treatments:	888						
1		Foot Soaks	b.						
	1	Dressing with and without topical medications, etc	c. c .						
	ļ	NONE OF ABOVE	d.						

SS.	#:	F	acility	* :_							_
SECTION K. DISEASE DIAGNOSES/CONDITIONS											
Check only those diseases present that have a relationship to current									- 1		
ADL status, cognitive status, behavior status, medical treatments, or risk of								- 1			
dea	uth. (Do not list o	ld/inactive diagno	oses.)								
1.	DISEASES	(If none apply, ci	beck the	ow e	NE OF A	<i>B0</i>	VE b	ox)			
		HEART/CIRCUL	NOITA		PSY	CH	IATE	RIC	MOC	ַס	
l		Arterioscierotic i	neert		Anx	iety	disc	жфе	r		p.
		disease (AS	HD)	a	Dep	res	sion				a.
		Cardiac dysrhytt	nmias	b.	Mar	nic d	lepr	essi	v•		11.1
		Congestive hear	t			(bi	pola	ı di	8888	e)	r.
1		failure		C.	SEN	150	RY				
		Hypertension		d.	Cat	erac	23				5.
		Hypotension		e.	Glau	UCO1	ma				t.
		Peripheral vascu	ilar	10	OTH	HER					
		disease		f.	Alle	гдна	\$				u.
		Other cardiovas	cular	5.4	Ane	mu					v.
		disease		g.	Arth	поз					w.
		NEUROLOGICA	L		Can	cer					х.
		Alzheimer's		h.	Dia	bete	s m	eilitt	JS.		у.
		Dementia other	than	- 251	Exp	licit	tem	nina	i		
		Alzheimer's		i.		pro	grk	S15			Z
		Aphasia		j.	Hyp	юm,	угон	dism	1		aa
		Cerebrovascular	•		ಿವ	900	orœ	is			bb.
		accident (st	roke)	k.	Sei	മ്പre	dis	ж	н		cc.
		Multiple Scieros	is		Sec	юсе	mia				dd.
		Parkinson's dise	ase	m.	Unr	ary	trac	t inf	ectic	ж	
		PULMONARY				in la	ast (3 0 a	ays		ee.
		Emphysema	a /		NO	NE I	OF A	180	VΕ		ff.
		Asthma/CO	PD	n.							
		Pneumonia		0.							1
2.	OTHER	a.			·						1
	CURRENT	b.							1	- 11	320
H	DIAGNOSES	c					T				22
1 1	AND ICD-9	d.				Г				11.1	100
	CODES	ө.								- 4.	
П		f.					1				300
									•		
3.	PROBLEMS	(Check all proble	ems tha	t app	ory, last	7 da	ys,	UNL	ESS		
	CONDITIONS	OTHER TIME FR	AME ST	ATE	D)						
	AND SIGNS/	Constipation	a	1	Recurre	ent l	ung				
	SYMPTOMS	Diarrhea	b.	1	ası	aric	ions	in I	ast 9	ю	
		Dizziness / verti-	go c.	7	day	y5					j.
		Fecal impaction	d.	7	Shortne	355	of bo	eat	ר		
		Fever	e.	1	(D)	yspr	ња)				k.
1		Hallucinations	18.7	1	Syncop	e (f	ainti	ng)			Ι.
1		/delusions	f.	7	Vomitin	ig .					m.
		Internal bleedin	g g.	7	Respire	uory	infe	ectic	ж		n.
		Joint pain	n.	1	Chest F	ain					0.
		Pain - Res. com	- 52	1	NONE	OF,	ABC	VΕ			p.
		plains or st	****	1							3.3
		evidence o	■650								
		pain daily o	120,00								
		almost dail		1							
4.	EDEMA	(Check all that a		tha I	ast 7 da	VS 1					
1.	LDEIVIA	Edema - none	ווו עיקק	J 70 1	-31 / Ud)	, 3/					8.
1		Edema - genera	اممتناه								b.
		Edema - localiza		nittic	0						c.
		1	ou not	רווווים	A						d.
i	1	Edema - pitting									Iu.

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Edema - other

Resident:			SS#:	Facility #:
SECTION K. CC	NT		SECTION M. OF	RAL/DENTAL STATUS
S. ACCIDENTS	, on part 100 on,	d. e.	ORAL STATUS AND DISEASE PREVEN-	Debris (soft, easily movable sub- in mouth prior to going to be Has dentures and/or removable Some/all natural teeth lost - does does not use dentures (or p
STABILITY OF CONDITIONS	Conditions/diseases make resident's cognitive, ADL, or behavior status unstable—fluctuating, precarious, or deteriorating. Resident experiencing an acute episode or a flare-up of a recurrent/chronic problem. NONE OF ABOVE	a. b.	TION	Broken, loose, or carious teeth Inflamed gums (gingiva); swolled gums; oral abscesses, ulcer Daily cleaning of teeth/dentures NONE OF ABOVE
SECTION LOS	AL/NUTRITION STATUS	1	PROC., & SUPP	ECIAL TREATMENTS, DEVIC LIES
1. ORAL	a. Chewing problem b. Swallowing problem c. Mouth pain d. NONE OF ABOVE	a. 1 b. c. d.	SPECIAL TREAT- MENTS AND	a SPECIAL CARE - (Check treat during the last 14 days.) Chemotherapy a Tran Radiation b O2
2. HEIGHT AND WEIGHT	a. Record height in inches HT (in.) b. Record weight in pounds WT (ib.) Weight based on most recent status in last 30 days; measure weight consistently in accord with standard facility practice - e.g., in a.m. after voiding before meal, with shoes off, and in nightclothes.		PRO- CEDURES	Dialysis c. Intak Suctioning d. Vent Trach care e. Othe IV meds. f. NCN b. THERAPIES - Record the numb minutes each of these therapies of (for at least 10 minutes) in the last Box A = # of days administered Box B = Total # of minutes administered in last 7 days
3. NUTRI-	c. Weight loss (i.e., 5% plus IN THE PAST 30 DAYS or 10% IN THE PAST 180 DAYS): 0. No 1. Yes Complains about the			a. Speech - language pathology services b. Occupational therapy c. Physical therapy d. Psychological therapy (any lice
TIONAL PROBLEMS	taste of many foods a. Regular complaint of	d. e. [.	REHABILI- TATION/ RESTORA- TIVE CARE	e. Respiratory therapy f Recreation therapy Record the NUMBER OF DAYS exphabilitation/restorative technique was provided for more than or equipment of the resident in the last 7 d a. Range of Motion (passive)
4. NUTRI- TIONAL APPROACH	Parenteral/IV a. Therapeutic diet Feeding tube b. Diet supplement	6. f. 3. 9. h.		b. Range of Motion (active) c. Splint/Brace Assistance d. Reality Orientation e. Remotivation Training and Skill Practice in: f. Locomotion/Mobility g. Dressing/Grooming h. Eating/Swallowing i. Transfer
			DEVICES	j. Amputation Care Use the following code for last 7

	SE	CTION M. OF	RAL/DENTAL STATUS	
ſ	1.	ORAL	Debris (soft, easily movable substances) present	- 1
-		STATUS	in mouth prior to going to bed at night	8.
1		AND	Has dentures and/or removable bridge	b.
		DISEASE	Some/all natural teeth lost - does not have or	
	ļ	PREVEN-	does not use dentures (or partial plates)	c.
		TION	Broken, loose, or carious teeth	d.
1			Inflamed gums (gingiva); swollen or bleeding	
ı	- 1		and the second s	-

MENTS, DEVICES,

PROC., & SUPPLIES							
1.	SPECIAL	SPECIAL CARE - (Check treatments received					
	TREAT-	during the last 14 days.)					
	MENTS	Chemotherapy a. Transfusions	g.				
	AND	Radiation b. 02	h.				
	PRO-	Dialysis c. Intake/Output	i.				
	CEDURES	Suctioning d. Ventilator/Respirator	j				
		Trach care e. Other	k.				
		IV meds. f. NONE OF ABOVE	l.				
		b. THERAPIES - Record the number of days and total	İ				
		minutes each of these therapies was administered					
		(for at least 10 minutes) in the last 7 days (0 if none)					
		Box A = # of days administered for 10 mins, or more					
		Box B = Total ≠ of minutes					
		administered in last 7 days A	В				
		a. Speech - language pathology and audiology					
		services					
		b. Occupational therapy					
		c. Physical therapy					
		d. Psychological therapy (any licensed prof.)					
		e. Respiratory therapy					
		f Recreation therapy					
2.	REHABIU-	Record the NUMBER OF DAYS each of the following					
	TATION/	rehabilitation/restorative technique/practice					
	RESTORA-	was provided for more than or equal to 15 minutes per					
	TIVE	day, to the resident in the last 7 days. (Enter 0 if none)					
	CARE	a. Range of Motion (passive)					
		b. Range of Motion (active)					
		c. Splint/Brace Assistance					
		d. Reality Orientation					
		e. Remotivation					
		Training and Skill Practice in:					
		f. Locomotion/Mobility	L				
		g. Dressing/Grooming	L_				
		h. Eating/Swallowing	_				
		i, Transfer					
		j. Amputation Care	<u> </u>				
3.	DEVICES	Use the following code for last 7 days:					
	AND RE-	0. Not used					
	STRAINTS	Used less than daily					
		2. Used daily					
		a. Bed rails					
		b. Trunk restraint	_				
		c. Limb restraint	<u></u>				
		d. Chair prevents rising					

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MINIMUM DATA SET PLUS FOR NURSING FACILITY RESIDENT ASSESSMENT AND CARE SCREENING (MDS+) (Status in the last seven days, unless otherwise indicated)

Resident	SS#: Facility #:
SECTION N. CONT.	SECTION O. MEDICATION USE
A. SUPPLIES Record the number of units of the supply listed that have been used or consumed by the resident in the past 7 days. (Enter 0 if none) a. Sterile Dressings b. Unique/Special Decubitus Care Supplies c. Peritoneal Dialysis Supplies	1. NUMBER OF MEDI- CATIONS NEW MEDI- MEDI- Losed in the last 7 days. (Enter "0" if none Used. Skip to Item 5.) 2. NEW MEDI- The last 90 days. CATIONS 0. No 1. Yes
5. PHYSICIAN IN THE LAST 30 DAY PERIOD since the resident was admitted, how many times has the physician (authorized assistant/practitioner) changed the resident's orders? (Do not include order renewals without change.)	3. INJECTIONS Record the number of days injections of any type received during the last 7 days. 4. DAYS Record the NUMBER OF DAYS during the RECEIVED last 7 days; enter "0" if not used; enter "1" THE if long acting meds, used less than weekly
6. NO Check if no laboratory tests performed in the LAB last 90 days. (Skip to Section O)	FOLLOWING a Antipsychotics MEDICATION b. Antianxiety/hypnotics c. Antidepressants
7. LABOR- How many lab samples (blood/urine/etc.) have been collected IN THE PAST 30 DAYS? TEST 8. ABNORMAL LAB RESULTS b. How many laboratory tests were returned with abnormal values during the past 90 days? b. How many abnormal values resulted in treatment or care planning in the past 30 days? P.2. SIGNATURES OF THOSE COMPLETING THE ASSESSMENT:	Skip this question if resident currently MEDICATION RESULTS or antiantiety/thypnotics - otherwise code correct response for last 90 days Resident has previously received psychoactive medications for a mood or behavior problem, and these medications were effective (without undue adverse consequences.) 0. No, drugs not used 1. Drugs were effective 2. Drugs were not effective 3. Drug effectiveness unknown SECTION P. PARTICIPATION IN ASSESSMENT 1. PARTICI- PATE Resident Family: Other: IN 0. No 0. No ASSESS- 1. Yes 1. Yes 2. No Family 2. None
a. Name of RN assessment coordinator b. End Date c.	
Signature d.	Title Sections Date
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ADULT CARE HOME PRE-ADMISSION SCREENING FORM (LEVEL II)

Resident Name (Last, First, MI) Social Security Number Birthdate Race	Sex	
Resident Address City Zip This form is being completed by: [] Adult Care Home; [] Hospital; [] Attending Physician; [] Other (Specify):		
1. Does the individual have a diagnosis of mental illness? (See definition on		
illness stated on back.)	[YES	1 1 NO
2. Does the person have any recent (within the last two years) history of mental	()	()
illness or been prescribed a major tranquilizer on a regular basis in the		
absence of a justifiable neurological disorder?	I 7 YES	1 1 110
3. Is there any presenting evidence of mental illness (except primary diagnosis of	1 1	1]
Alzheimer's Disease of dementia) including possible disturbances in orientation,		
affect, or mood?	[] YES	[] NO
4. Does the individual have a diagnosis of mental retardation or related condition?	()	()
(See definition of mental retardation or related condition stated on back.)	() YES	r) NO
5. Is there any history of mental retardation or a related condition in the identified	[],	[]
individual's cest?	r 7 YES	r 7 NO
6. Is there any presenting evidence (cognitive or behavior functions) that may indicate	[] ,63	
the person has mental retardation or a related condition?	[] YES	ו ו
7. Is the person being referred by an agency that serves persons with mental retardation		
(or other related condition), and has the person deemed to be eligible for that		
agency's services?	[] YES	[] 40
8. If an informent provided any of the above history, please list name & telephone no		
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Funds, and that any willful falsification, or concealment of a material fact, may be prosend State Laws. I certify that to the best of my knowledge the foregoing information is complete.		
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Signature Title Date	Telephone	Number
IF ONE OR HORE OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED "YES" DO NOT ADHIT THE PATIENT TO THE HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO THE DEFINITIONS STATED ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM, IF ONE OF THE FOLLE EXISTS: (1) CONVALESCENT CARE; (2) TERHINAL ILLNESS; (3) SEVERITY OF ILLNESS, THE RESIDED OTHERWISE, REFER THE RESIDENT TO ADULT CARE HOWE PROGRAM (TELEPHONE MURBER: 913-296-3728) AND APPROPRIATE DETERMINATION OF MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FOR MURSING FACILITY CARE. IF ALL QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED "NO" AND THERE IS NO FURTHER EVIDENCE TO INDICATE THE POSSILLNESS, MENTAL RETARDATION, OR OTHER RELATED CONDITION, THE MURSING FACILITY HUST DECIDE ADMIT THE RESIDENT. ADMISSION TO THE FACILITY DOES NOT CONSTITUTE ELIGIBILITY FOR MURSING FACILITY FOR	E HERSING FA LOWING COMDI OT HAY BE: AD FOR FURTHER SISILITY OF WETHER OR	TIONS HITTED. SCREENING HENTAL NOT TO
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This form must be presented to authorized nursing facility personnel prior to admittance the adult care home. Such personnel must determine whether or not admit the resident.	of the resi	dent to
If the individual wishes to apply for Medicaid/MediKan, Form MS-2001 should be submitted office in the usual manner. Except for the pre-admission screening process, the procedur adult care residents remains the same. When the nursing facility submits medical information of the copy of this form must be attached.	e for appro	val of

A COPY OF THIS FORM HUST BE PLACED IN EACH RESIDENT'S RECORD IN THE PACILITY.

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DEFINITIONS FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH FORM HS-2123

HENTAL ILLNESS: An individual is considered to have mental illness if he/she has a current primary or secondary diagnosis of a major mental disorder (as defined in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 3rd edition (DSH-IIIR), or ICF-9 Codes 290-314 limited to schizophrenic, paranoid, major affective, schizoaffective disorders and atypical psychosis, and does not have a primary diagnosis of dementia (including Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder).

MENTAL RETARDATION AND RELATED CONDITIONS: An individual is considered to be mentally retarded if he/she has a level of retardation (mild, moderate, severe and profound) as described in the American Association on Mental Deficiencies Manual on Classification in Mental Retardation (1983).

Mental Retardation refers to significantly sub-average general intellectual functioning existing concurrently with deficits in adaptive behavior and manifested during the developmental period.

The provisions of this section also apply to persons with "related conditions", as defined by 42 CFR 435.1009, which states: "Persons with related conditions" means individuals who have a severe, chronic disability that meets all of the following conditions:

- (a) It is attributable to -
 - (1) Cerebral palsy or epilepsy; or
 - (2) Any other condition, other than mental illness, found to be closely related to mental retardation because this condition results in impairment of general intellectual functioning or adaptive behavior similar to that of persons with mental retardation, and requires treatment or services similar to those required for these persons. (Any other condition includes autism.)
 - (b) It is manifested before the person reaches age 22.
 - (c) It is likely to continue indefinitely.
 - (d) It results in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following area of major life activity:
 - (1) Self-care;
 - (2) Understanding and use of language;
 - (3) Learning;

- (4) Mobility:
- (5) Self-direction; and
- (6) Capacity for independent living.

CONVALESCENT CARE: Any person with mental illness, mental retardation, or other related condition, as long as that person is not a danger to self and/or others, may be admitted to a Medicaid-certified nursing facility after release from an acute care hospital for a period not to exceed 120 days as part of a medically prescribed period of recovery.

TERMINAL ILLNESS: An individual with mental illness, mental retardation, or other related condition, as long as that person is not a danger to self and/or others, may be admitted to or reside in a Medicaid-certified nursing facility if he or she is certified by a physician to be "terminably ill," as that term is defined is Section 1861(dd)(3)(A) of the Social Security Act, and requires continuous nursing care and/or medical supervision and treatment due to his/her physical condition.

SEVERITY OF ILLNESS: Any person with mental illness, mental retardation, or other related condition, who is comatose, ventilator dependent, functions at the brain stem level, or has a diagnosis of: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Severe Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, or Congestive Heart Failure, and any other diagnosis so determined by HCFA may be considered appropriate for placement, or continued residence, in a Medicaid-certified nursing facility.

ADVANCED ACE: This has to be in addition to medical needs provided in a nursing facility.

Readmissions: All Residents who have been approved for residence in nursing facilities are not subject to Level II preadmission screening if they are returning to the same nursing facility after a <u>brief</u> outplacement for medical services if they are not a danger to themselves or others.





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TESTIMONY

before the

SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

by

John L. Kiefhaber, Exec. Vice President

KANSAS HEALTH CARE ASSOCIATION

Substitute for House Bill No. 2566

"AN ACT ...providing information and assistance to persons in obtaining appropriate long-term care services; requiring assessment and referral services prior to admission to an adult care home..."

Chairman Ehrlich and Committee Members:

The Kansas Health Care Association, representing over 200 professional nursing facilities throughout the State, appreciates the opportunity to speak in opposition to passage of substitute House Bill 2566. This bill would set up an unnecessary and duplicative resident assessment process that would delay placement of our elderly even while it would promote education and information referral on alternative services.

I would like to bring two points to your attention today:

First, as this Committee is aware, the federal Nursing Home Reform Act of 1987, commonly called OBRA 87, was implemented in October, 1990. That act requires that all residents of nursing facilities go through a

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Stack 16 3-23-92 PM comprehensive physical, mental and social assessment of their needs within the first 7 to 14 days of their admission to a nursing facility. This is a copy of that comprehensive assessment, called the MDS. According to professional nurses who administer this comprehensive assessment it takes 2-6 hours to complete the survey for an individual. This work is already being done for residents of nursing facilities in Kansas. Another resident assessment form, as required by House Bill 2566, with questions that are already going to be covered by the attending physician, facility nurses and social workers in the nursing home represents an enormous amount of duplication of scarce health care resources.

Second, because the MDS survey is a changing assessment tool for monitoring every change in a patient's physical and mental status, it is designed to trigger the intervention of medical professionals to improve the independence of the resident and, in many cases, send them back to their homes. This system is already working in every facility in the State. Residents who do not need to be in a nursing facility are automatically identified by the use of the MDS.

The Kansas Health Care Association believes that the more information aged citizens can get about their care alternatives the better and we support provisions of the Senior Care Act. But to delay and inhibit their movement to the care setting that they need while waiting for a duplicative assessment form to be filled out by an already overworked state agency staff would be a disservice to the very individuals this bill was meant to help.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak in opposition to House Bill 2566.

TESTIMONY OF JOHN C. PETERSON

MANOR HEALTH CARE

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2566

Chairman Ehrlich, members of the Committee. My name is

John Peterson and I am appearing on behalf of Manor Health Care

Corporation. Manor Care owns and operates three nursing care

facilities in the state of Kansas; in Topeka, Wichita and

Overland Park.

House Bill 2566 was introduced in an attempt to deal with spiraling health care costs and to attempt to assure that the least restrictive environment possible is utilized to meet the needs of Kansas senior citizens.

Section 1, subsection (a), requires the Secretary of Aging to compile comprehensive resource information relating to long-term care resources. Subsection (b) requires adult care homes, hospitals, physicians, senior centers and area agencies on aging to make that resource information available to any person identified as seeking or needing long-term care. This is indeed a commendable goal and we would urge your support for these provisions.

Admittance to a nursing home is indeed one of the most difficult decisions of a lifetime for an individual and their family. No one should be admitted without having information as to all available resources. HB 2566 mandates such information be available. No one should be admitted to a nursing home without a specific physician's order. Anyone in a nursing

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facility should have an extensive evaluation in a timely manner as to the individual's capabilities and limitations. Such a detailed evaluation known as the Minimum Data Set (MDS) is currently in place, under federal law, and utilized in nursing facilities across the country.

Since 1982 Kansas has required prescreening for Medicaid recipients entering nursing facilities. Last year SRS conducted some 2,700 of those screenings.

Substitute for House Bill 2566 proposes to establish a new program to screen individuals who are not on Medicaid. It proposes not to use the family physician, not to use the already required assessment study, but to create a new bureaucracy that is going to be paid \$1.468 million to conduct 12,250 screenings of non medicaid individuals each year.

But are the increased costs that we are experiencing at the state level related to increased numbers of individuals going into nursing homes? We know that in the last 10 years nursing home expenditures have increased by 126.2 percent. But in that same 10 year period, there has been a negligible increase of less than 1 percent in the number of individuals in nursing homes. Moreover, during the same period we have had a 26 percent increase in the number of our citizens that are 85 years of age and older. Not only have we had no increase in the nursing home population, we have had a clear decline in that population as a percentage of individuals over age 85.

Nevertheless, this proposal presumes that by reducing the number of individuals who can pay for their nursing home care, we will save the State money.

Yet one of the keys to any successful diversion, whether the individual has resources or not, is availability of local services. The March 1992 SRS publication "Long Term Care for the Elderly" notes that any preadmission screening must be linked to case management:

so that the elderly person and their family can see clearly how a plan for community based services might work. However, Kansas does not have a comprehensive case management system to help elderly people put together a community care plan if they would rather stay in the community than go into a nursing home.

Kansas also presently does not provide comprehensive statewide community based services. Elderly people who cannot afford services may find themselves unable to get services through either SRS or DOA because of conflicting eligibility requirements and long waiting lists. People who can afford services may find that services are not available in their area.

You've got to provide for effective local services. You must get that information into the hands of individuals considering admission to a nursing facility and let they and their families make a decision as to the best, least restrictive care that they prefer.

SRS has told you that they are going to save money which, after spending the \$1.65 million, will result in a net gain to the state. Let's discuss their impact analysis. First we know the operational costs of \$1.65 million are hard costs. They will be incurred in FY 1993. The entire remainder of their

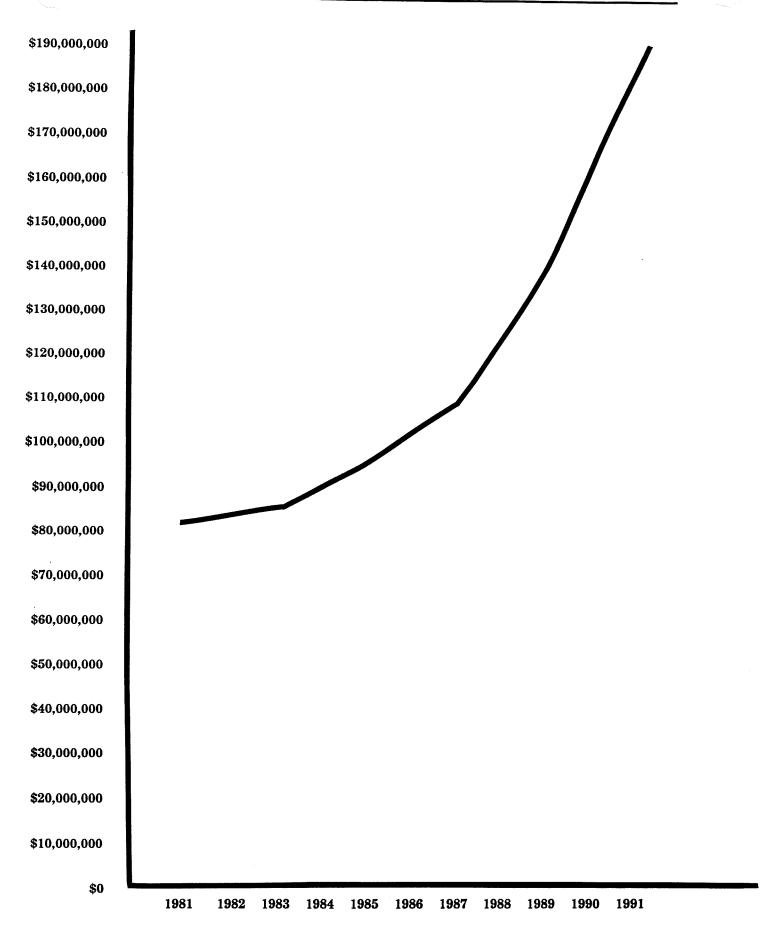
analysis is based upon diverting <u>Medicaid eligible</u> individuals. The fact of the matter is that SRS is already screening those Medicaid individuals. If they aren't they should be.

There is no fiscal analysis that shows projected savings from this program for private pay individuals. No analysis of the amount of money that private pay individuals have when they enter a nursing home. No analysis of the number of Medicaid individuals who entered as private pay and the number of months after that entry that they may became Medicaid eligible. Certainly no analysis or theory that any potential savings will be in fiscal year 1993. They are simply showing an analysis of \$3.5 million of savings that they should be realizing today because of the institution of mandatory screening for Medicaid patients in 1982.

In addition to expending almost \$2 million next fiscal year with no realistic projection of savings and certainly of none during the fiscal year, we believe that this proposal interferes with an individual's fundamental right, if they're using their own money, to make decisions that they deem appropriate about their life. Perhaps we should pass legislation saying that individuals over age 70 shouldn't be allowed to take a cruise or give cash Christmas gifts to grandchildren, because they might be dissipating resources.

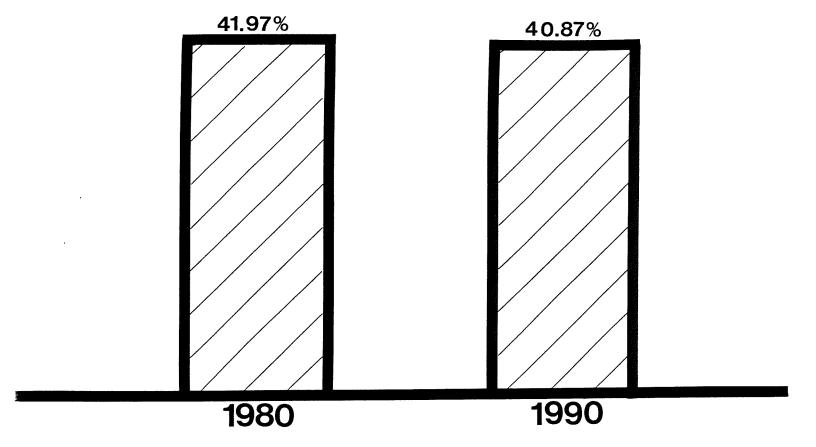
We would urge you to defeat those portions of House Bill 2566 which require assessments of those seeking admission as private pay patients. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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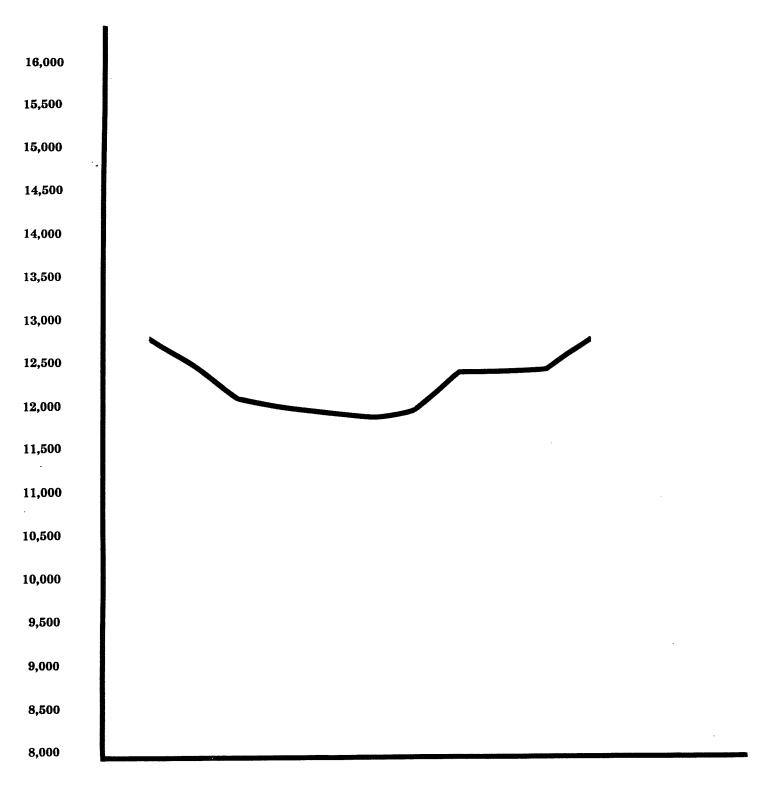


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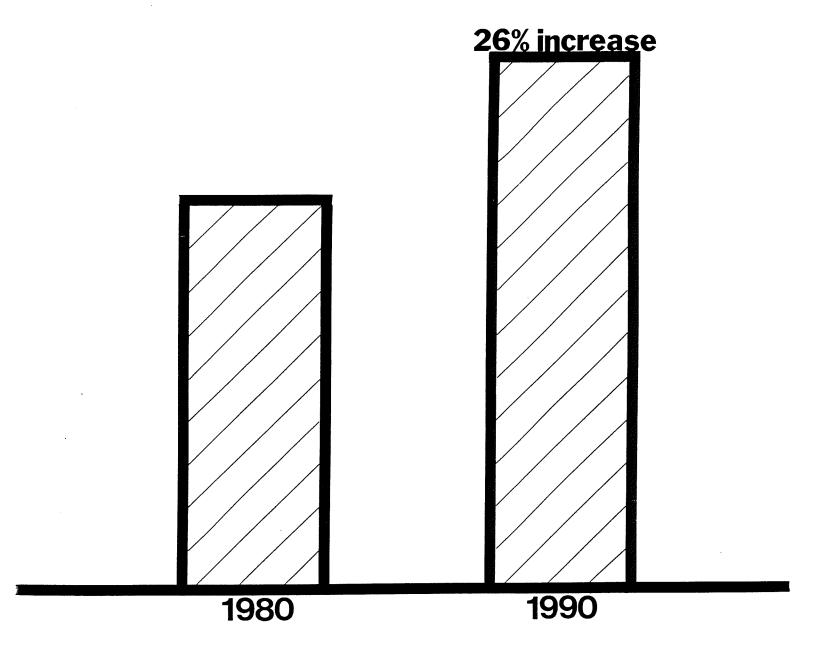


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SSOCIATION OF KANSAS HOSPICES

TO:

Kansas State Senators

FROM:

Association of Kansas Hospices

DATE:

March 23, 1992

SUBJECT: House Bill #2566

We are asking that all Hospice Medicare Benefit certified hospices in the state of Kansas be exempt from House Bill #2566.

Please understand that Hospices serve terminally ill patients in the last six months of their lives. These patients are served by a physician, a registered nurse, and a social worker. Before any decision is made about changing a patient's care, an assessment is carefully made by the physician, nurse, and social worker. All Hospice Medicare Benefit hospice patients receive explanation of all options for continuity of care. The role of the nurse and social worker and other members of the hospice team is to help the patient understand his/her options and make the choice that best meets that patient's need. Additionally, it is always the goal of hospice to help the patient stay at home if he/she so chooses.

We are asking for this exemption only for hospices that receive the Hospice Medicare Benefit. We know that this type of assessment occurs in each of these hospices. Every Medicare Certified hospices provide counseling in the home for both the patient and the family. A total assessment of the patient's options is undertaken before any patient makes a change in his/her plan of care. Further, as long as person is a terminally ill patient of a Hospice Medicare Benefit certified hospice, he/she will also receive continuity of care between in-patient facility and home setting.

XAs you can see, we are asking this exemption for only the hospices that are certified to receive the Hospice Medicare Benefit. Please be aware that those persons served by these hospices are in the last six months of their lives and are terminally ill. To require them to go through an assessment, in addition to the assessment that they will go through with the hospice staff, seems burdensome to us for the patients involved. Please give this careful consideration.

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DATE: March 23, 1992

TO: Sen. Roy Ehrlich, Chairman

Senate Health and Welfare Committee

FROM: Monica Flask, Director of Social Work

Halstead Hospital

Halstead, KS

Representing the KS Sunflower Chapter, Society for Hospital Social

Work Directors

RE: HB 2566

We have unfortunately been unable to send a representative of our organization to the committee hearings today, but would like to present our written opposition to HB 2566. We have included copies of the testimony we presented to the House Health and Welfare Committee and would like to make the following additional comments.

- 1) We believe mandatory pre-screening would be a duplication of services for many people. Almost 60% of all nursing home admissions are initiated from the hospital where, in most instances, the patient has already been screened by a social worker or other discharge planner. In addition, Medicaid recipients being admitted from home already receive mandatory screening, so the percentage of people who would receive a non-duplicated service appears to be small.
- 2) It will not be cost-effective to do a comprehensive "needs assessment" of community-based services. In many instances, the needs are already known, the funding is simply not available. Even if we develop a comprehensive needs assessment as a result of the mandatory pre-screening, what good will that do if the funds are not available to implement the services indicated?
- 3) We believe very few people enter the nursing home because they are unaware of existing services. In most instances, they enter the nursing home because a) the family is employed outside the home or too far away to give necessary care; b) needed services are not available; or c) they don't want to be at home alone anymore.

We believe mandatory pre-screening will not be cost-effective. We would strongly recommend the money for mandatory pre-screening be used instead for expansion of preventive, community-based services, especially home health services.

Please feel free to contact me or Leslie Burkholder (Social Work Director at Abilene Memorial Hospital) at the following numbers if we can provide any further information to you:

Monica Flask: (316) 835-2651 - work

(316) 835-2580 - home

Leslie Burkholder: (913) 263-2100

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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MEMO

DATE: January 24, 1992

TO: Members of the Health and Welfare Committee

FROM: Monica Flask, LMSW

Representing the Society of Hospital Social Work Directors

Kansas Sunflower Chapter

RE: HB 2566

After attending the hearing re: HB 2566 on January 23, and after further discussion with members of our organization, we wish to make you aware of some additional points to consider, which I did not include in my testimony.

1) We would like you to be aware of the potential for the pre-admission screening to be a rather degrading experience for the client. When we screen patients at the hospital, we often spend quite a bit of time with them discussing home care alternatives when possible, and encouraging them to grieve, express their anxiety, etc., regarding nursing home when placement is necessary. It is very important to us that this process be done in a way which is respectful and protects the client's dignity.

Too often, screening done with a universal assessment tool can be a degrading experience for the client. Some of the sample questions we have seen on suggested universal tools include, "Who is the president?" "What color is a banana?", "How many times did you fall last month?", etc. While at times is it useful to ask such questions, a universal tool will not give us the flexibility to not ask these questions when the questions are not helpful to the situation. We are very concerned that the mandated screening requirement will turn into such a process despite the best intentions of those who've initiated and supported the bill.

- 2) We are also concerned that certain assumptions be made which could be erroneous. Some points we would like you to consider:
 - --We do not actually know that people are admitted to nursing homes due to lack of awareness of resources. Is there any data to support this? It is easy to make such an assumption, but do we actually know?
 - --Screening is an expensive process with unknown costs. There is very little data to suggest that it a) saves money, b) prevents nursing home admissions, or c) will bring in additional revenue sufficient to offset the cost. Again, it is easy to make such assumptions, but there seems to be very little data, if any, to support these ideas.

This is a very difficult issue. We applaud the efforts of the committee to keep people at home as long as necessary in the most cost-effective way. We believe this is a commendable goal. We simply do not think the mandated screening process is the way to achieve this goal. There are many other options that should be considered (some of which were mentioned during my testimony), including:

1) expanded case management services

2) intensified efforts to make the public aware of services (what about working with the utility companies to publish the phone number for the Dept. of Aging on bills?)

3) "quality assurance" mechanisms or incentives to encourage discharge planners, social workers in the hospital and the community, etc. to be aware of home support services and work to prevent nursing home admissions when possible.

4) putting our money into more preventive services, especially for those who don't quite meet Medicaid criteria at home.

Thank you very much for your thoughtful consideration of this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact any of us if we may be of assistance regarding this or any healthcare issue. We have included a membership list of our organization for your convenience.

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TESTIHONY REGARDING HB 2566

MONICA FLASK, LMSW DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK HALSTEAD HOSPITAL HALSTEAD, KANSAS

representing the

SOCIETY FOR HOSPITAL SOCIAL WORK DIRECTORS, KANSAS SUNFLOWER CHAPTER

JANUARY 23, 1992

The above organization has reviewed HB 2566 as it now stands, and wishes to present opposition to the bill based on the following facts:

- 1) We do not believe this bill will decrease the amount of funding currently being spent on nursing home care. We believe very few people are entering nursing homes needlessly (at the point at which screenings would be done) and that the cost of screening as defined by HB 2566 would outweigh the savings realized by a decrease in nursing home admissions.
- 2) We believe that mandatory screening would cause a significant delay in dismissals from the hospital, thereby increasing cost overall, although this cost may not be directly billable to Medicaid in many instances. It currently takes an estimated average of 1 - 2 weeks to initiate screening for SRS Home and Community Based Services and Homemaker Services. It would seem unlikely that an increase in screening requirements will be accomplished in a timely manner without a significant increase in staff.
- 3) Hospital social workers and discharge planners are already screening patients in hospitals. It is our job to be aware of community resources and to try to implement plans of care which meet the patients' needs. The vast majority of patients prefer to remain in their own homes and we often are involved in setting up extensive care plans for services to maintain people at home. Therefore, manadatory screening for hospital patients is a duplication of services.
- 4) Mandatory screening is not going to be helpful if community resources are not available. While there are a reasonable amount of services available in some urban areas, the rural areas often have minimal or no home health services and may not even be able to offer Meals on Wheels to many people.

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In areas where home health is available, there is still a tremendous lack of maintenance home care available at an affordable cost. Patients often receive home health care for 2 - 3 weeks and then have services terminated due to lack of funding. Private pay care is quite expensive, with RN visits costing \$60/visit or more. In Harvey County, a single person with an income of \$750 per month must pay (according to the sliding fee schedule) \$31.50 per RN visit (up to 2 hours) and \$20.25 per home health aide visit.

5) We do not believe mandatory screening is necessary to determine need for services. There are many less expensive ways to determine the need, including surveying hospital social workers, SRS social workers, home health agencies, etc.

We believe there are more efficient and cost-effective ways to prevent nursing home admissions. We would recommend consideration of the following:

- 1) Mandatory screening at time of nursing home admission is too late. It would be more effective to provide screenings at an earlier time, so that preventive services could be initiated prior to a crisis occurring.
- 2) Hospitals should be exempt from mandatory screening, as it duplicates services already provided.
- 3) Screening should be voluntary, available to all persons needing care (rather than just Medicaid recipients), and well-marketed, so people are aware the service exists.
- 4) Increasing visibility of services already available. For example, many people have much difficulty even locating the phone number for SRS, even if they know the correct title of the agency. Simple means can be found to make information available. (For example, the Feist mid-Kansas telephone directory has a section devoted to community resources which is quite readable and readily accessible to most persons.)
- 5) Increasing efforts to make discharge planning available to nursing home residents. While we believe most nursing home admissions are justified, many people need not stay in a nursing home permanently if services are available.
- 6) Increasing the availability and decreasing the cost of home support services, especially to include home health care on a maintenance basis.

In summary, we oppose HB 2566 as it now stands. We believe there are more effective, more cost-efficient ways to achieve the goal HB 2566 is intended to achieve. Thank you for our opportunity to express our opinion on this matter.

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