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Increasing the resident capacity in our adult care home to 7 residents is a significant need. It will allow providers to adequately staff and meet the needs of residents and their families. I love the work I do for the complex neurological community and I get calls weekly looking for a bed for residents that have spent months in the hospital waiting for a bed to open. This will help reduce the pressure and bed issue in the hospital. which in turn will improve patient outcomes and decrease funding to very expensive hospital stays and bring residents into the community and improve their quality of life.

The medicaid rates absolutely need to increase inflation has impacted cost of living, food, supplies and wages for staff. With the current rate it is very difficult to stay in business We appreciate the support in this capacity

Thank you kindly for the opportunity to share

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