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My 17-year-old son is profoundly autistic and is non-verbal. It is very scary to think he would be in a residential care without electronic monitoring. He cannot communicate if something happens to him. This has proven problematic when incidents have occurred at school and on the bus because we have no way of knowing what happened to him from his perspective. Our hope is that when he becomes an adult he can live in a residential facility and that he would have the right to monitoring to keep him safe. While there are privacy concerns, to me as a parent, we need the ability to know what happens in a serious incident.