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**Good, Laura**

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**From:** Jackie Johnson [jjohnson@missoulaagingservices.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 03, 2005 11:54 AM  
**To:** Good, Laura  
**Subject:** I want to write to add to your written responders

Hi Laura,

I work as a case manager of HCBS clients through Missoula Aging Services. On a daily basis, I talk with elders or their family members who need assistance to remain in their homes. Many of whom I talk with and add to our waiting list are already in assisted living residences. When they (and their families!) have depleted their resources to pay for the assisted living facilities, they are required to move to a nursing home. This is very upsetting to those who are very appropriate at the assisted level! As you know, it is also a much greater expense for to have Medicaid pay for the skilled nursing facility. Please add my testimony advocating for more funding for HCBS. Thank you!!

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