

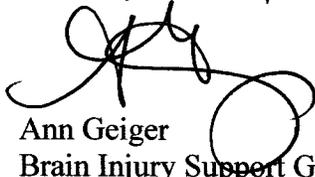
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Miranda Keaster, Secretary  
Joint Appropriations Sub-Committee on Health and Human Services  
Montana State capitol building, Room 451  
Helena, MT 59620

TO:  
Rep. Don Roberts, Chair and Committee Members  
Joint Appropriations Sub-Committee on Health and Human Services

As 20 year advocate for survivors of brain injury, I am writing you today to ask you to please reconsider the proposed budget cuts and to make every possible effort to avoid any decreases in funding for the Medicaid Waiver programs. Any cuts to these programs would cause serious life care issues for the many who are currently in services. If anything, this portion of the budget needs to be increased in order to meet the needs of many more Montanans who have become severely disabled by brain injury. Waiting lists for waiver slots even now are putting people in jeopardy as they are unable to receive what they need to live any quality of life. On their behalf, I ask you to please do all you can to keep these services fully funded.

Sincerely:



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