

To: Advocates
Fr: Al Norman

Rep. Katherine Clark (succeeded Mike Festa in the House) has circulated the attached "Dear Speaker" letter to Speaker DeLeo for her colleagues to sign in support of the home care line item for care management (9110-1633).

Please take the attached letter and forward it to your REPS ONLY with the note below:

Dear Representative _____,

I hope you will be willing to sign onto the attached letter from Rep. Katherine Clark regarding an override for care management services in the home care account. The Governor has vetoed \$1.5 million that is critical to the ability of Aging Services agencies to provide services to elders in your district. Already the home care caseloads are too high--in some cases over 100 elders per worker--- and the loss of these funds will only put more pressure on the workforce to juggle the many lives entrusted to their care. Please sign onto this letter to the Speaker, so we can tell these workers that you support the effort they make every day to help seniors live with dignity in their homes.

To sign on, please contact Katherine O'Koniewski in Representative Clark's office (ext. 8408, Katherine.O'Koniewski@state.ma.us)