

## MCOA Membership:

WE NEED YOUR IMMEDIATE HELP.

The Senate Ways and Means Proposal for FY18 was released Tuesday and it did not include funds to continue the Elder Mental Health Programs.

MCOA supports an increase in Line Item #5046-0000 of \$500,000 for a modest expansion for elder mental health services.

Senator Jennifer Flanagan has agreed to file a floor amendment: "...provided further, that the department of mental health and the executive office of elder affairs shall execute an elder mental health interagency service agreement for adult home and community behavioral health services to adults over the age of 60; and provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for these services..."

We need you to call your Senator today and ask him/her to call Flanagan's office and sign on as a Co-Sponsor by 3pm Thursday, May 18, 2017.

Phone numbers and email addresses can be found at <https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Members/Senate>

Direct them to Senator Flanagan's office:

<a href="#">Jennifer</a>	<a href="#">Flanagan</a>	Democrat	312D	617-722-1230	<a href="#">Jenn</a>
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Thank You for Your immediate attention to this matter

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