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Subject: RE: Respite Services Question

Kara,

Home and Community Based Services are provided to seniors to allow them to remain in their homes vs. moving into a nursing home. We spend an average of \$1400 per client per year.

Examples include:

Transportation (The greatest unmet need for seniors)

Group Dining (Generally 5 meals a week. For many, this is the only hot meal they eat.)

Home delivered meals (Provided when the senior is homebound. Generally 5 meals a week.)

Home care (Light cleaning, food prep, bathing, dressing)

Home modification, generally widening a door frame to allow a wheel chair, or installing a wheel chair ramp

Respite services allow a caregiver to take a break from their responsibilities,

Examples include:

Adult day care

In home care provided by a friend or service. This may be 3-4 hour breaks.

We provide a voucher for \$500 for the caregiver to purchase respite services

If you need more information, let me know.

Thanks.

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Tony,

I have tried to explain to Mr. Merrill what respite services are, but he still doesn't quite understand the difference between respite services and home and community based services. Can you send me some bullets on each of those programs? Also, can the newly appropriated monies for home and community and/or respite be used to fund the Guardian Ad Litem bill if it passes the House?

Thanks,
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