

**Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas  
Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 173**

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**To: Senate Ways and Means Committee**

**From: Patrick Terick, Governmental Activities Director (CPRFK)**

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Chairperson McGinn and Members of the Ways and Means Committee. I want to thank you for your willingness to allow me to provide written testimony in Support of Senate Bill 173 on behalf of the Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas (CPRFK).

I will be brief.

Currently, CPRFK provides Targeted Case Management Services (TCM) to 100 clients in Sedgwick County. We will have to subsidize nearly 25% of the costs of these services this year, which equates to over \$88,000.

CPRFK has an adult day program which serves 29 clients in Sedgwick County. Our organization will have to subsidize this program nearly \$130,000 or over 18% this year. In addition, there are Federal and State mandates to provide community outings to those we serve, which involves transportation services which are not funded through the waiver system. Our transportation department will require an additional \$150,000 in organizational subsidy this year beyond established available reimbursements through federal, state and local sources. This infusion of annual organizational subsidy is ever increasing and just not sustainable.

We have not received an increase in rates for our TCM and Adult Day Program in over the last 9 years. Because of increases in wages, fringe benefits for program staff, program costs and the undue burden by Federal and State government mandates, the funding increase in Senate Bill 173 would help in keeping the highest quality supports and services to those we serve.

I wish to thank you again for your time Chairperson McGinn and Members of the Ways and Means Committee for allowing me to provide written testimony in Support of Senate Bill 173 on behalf of the Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas (CPRFK).