



## *Kansas Council on Developmental Disabilities*

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*"To ensure the opportunity to make choices regarding participation in society  
and quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities"*

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Re: Neutral Testimony on SB 153

Chair Senator Vicki Schmidt and members of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

I am Steve Gieber, the Executive Director of the Kansas Council on Developmental Disabilities. The Council is made up of self-advocates, family members, state agencies, and our partners identified in the Federal Developmental Disabilities Act.

Federal and state laws created the Council to advise policymakers on issues that impact people with disabilities and their families as well as carryout activities that increase self-advocacy, systems change, and capacity building. The Council is providing neutral testimony because people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) already receive Targeted Case Management and it works.

(1) Assessment of the recipient's needs, including completing relevant assessment forms and documentation;

(2) development of a service plan for the recipient, including developing a person-centered support plan and discussing service options, needs and preferences;

(3) referral and related activities, including activities that link the recipient with medical, social or educational providers, referrals to resources and programs to assist with services and reports of actual or suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation of the recipient to appropriate authorities; and

(4) monitoring and follow-up services, including identifying changes in the needs and status of an individual, notifying the managed care organization of such needs and status and providing activities and contacts necessary to ensure that the care plan adequately addresses the recipient's needs.

People with IDD currently receive Target Case management services and they have been very effective at helping people with IDD obtain the service and supports they need. Target Case Managers work with individuals and their supports to help design person center support plans that meet the needs of the people with IDD. We believe that this service is essential to meet people's needs.

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