

HOUSE No. 630

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Danielle W. Gregoire

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to intensive case management for clinically complex older adults.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2023</i>
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2023</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/9/2023</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>

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By Representative Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 630) of Danielle W. Gregoire and others relative to intensive case management for clinically complex older adults. Elder Affairs.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 740 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to intensive case management for clinically complex older adults.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 19A is hereby amended by inserting after section 4 the following section:-

2 Section 41/2: (a) For the purposes of this section, the following words shall have the
3 following meanings: “Clinically Complex”. A summarized status of an individual’s clinical
4 eligibility for receiving intensive case management.

5 (b) There is hereby established the intensive case management program for the purposes
6 of supporting individuals who are current or prospective participants of the home care program
7 established in section 4, but who are determined to be clinically complex and therefore require
8 sustained, in-depth case management exceeding the level provided under the program. Intensive
9 case management shall be provided to transition an individual into receiving home care program

10 services, or to retain an active enrollee who is experiencing program participation challenges due
11 to 1) serious mental illness or behavioral disturbances; 2) complex dynamics involving the
12 family and informal support networks that impact the acceptance or delivery of critical home
13 care services; or 3) multiple medical and/or functional needs that put at risk the ability of the
14 ASAP to appropriately serve the enrollee.

15 (c) The department shall establish intensive case management reimbursement rates that
16 reasonably reflect the level of expertise and commitment of time required to successfully support
17 a qualifying individual's enrollment and ongoing participation in the State Home Care program.