



THE COORDINATING CENTER
INSPIRED SOLUTIONS

Committee: Senate Finance Committee

Bill Number: Senate Bill 255 – Public Health – Home and Community Based Services for Children and Youth

Hearing Date: February 14, 2023

Position: Favorable

The Coordinating Center supports *Senate Bill 255 – Public Health – Home and Community-Based Services for Children and Youth*. The bill proposes to continue the Department’s success in providing intensive behavioral health services to children under the 1915(i) waiver. After implementation, the Department will use its experience to develop the Mental Health Targeted Case Management Service.

We ask for a favorable report. This Waiver could help address the significant lack of mental health services available to children and young adults who are often enrolled in other Waiver programs that don’t therapeutically address the individual’s mental health presentation. The programs supported in this legislation support children remaining with their families and avoiding out-of-home placement. If we can provide any additional information that is helpful, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net or (443) 926-3443.