

SENATE No. 355

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cindy F. Friedman

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:	
<i>Cindy F. Friedman</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>	
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Paul F. Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Julian Cyr</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>	<i>2/4/2019</i>
<i>John J. Mahoney</i>	<i>13th Worcester</i>	<i>2/6/2019</i>

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By Ms. Friedman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 355) of Cindy F. Friedman, James B. Eldridge, Kay Khan, Bradford Hill and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to intensive case management for clinically complex older adults. Elder Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

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 SECTION 1. Chapter 19A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 4C the following section:-

3 Section 4D. (a) There is hereby established, subject to appropriation, the intensive case
4 management program for the purpose of supporting individuals who are current or prospective
5 participants of the home care program established in section 4 and require sustained, in-depth
6 case management exceeding the level provided under the program. Intensive case management
7 shall be provided to transition an individual into receiving home care program services, or to
8 retain an active enrollee who is experiencing program participation challenges due to: (1) serious
9 mental illness or behavioral disturbances; (2) complex dynamics involving the family and
10 informal support networks that impact the acceptance or delivery of critical home care services;
11 or (3) multiple medical or functional needs that put at risk the ability of the aging services access
12 points, as described in section 4B, to appropriately serve the enrollee.

13 (b) The department shall establish intensive case management reimbursement rates that
14 reasonably reflect the level of expertise and commitment of time required to successfully support
15 a qualifying individual's enrollment and ongoing participation in the home care program.

16 (c) The department may issue regulations to implement this section.