

## TALKING POINTS

### PREVENT OUT OF STATE PLACEMENT OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

- ❖ West Virginia does not currently have adequate services to prevent individuals who otherwise could live at home with supports from moving into nursing homes or other facilities out of state.
- ❖ Adults who could live in their own home with support are being discharged from hospitals into out of state institutions simply because the support services they need are not available in West Virginia.
- ❖ WV Citizens who need ventilator support to live are sent out of WV for the services because nursing homes in WV do not accept people you use ventilators in their facilities and community services are non-existent in WV for these WV citizens
- ❖ Children are being separated from their families and sent out of state for behavioral health services due to the lack of availability of these services in West Virginia.
- ❖ Full implementation of West Virginia's Olmstead Plan would provide resources right here at home that could assist individuals with disabilities live in the community instead of an institution.

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