

I am Kathy Ware, a Registered Nurse, certified MnCHOICES Assessor, and mother of Kylen, who lives with profound disabilities. I strongly support preserving the A-4 amendment language in HF2434 as it is without additional language.

The A-4 amendment is essential to protect the federally mandated right of individuals with disabilities to self-direct their services under the ADA and Olmstead decision. Concerns about RN and LPN licensure are misplaced; the A-4 amendment is about preserving choice, autonomy, and community integration, not about staffing regulations and licensure. Removing the A-4 amendment or adding language would nullify the intent and violate disability rights and push individuals into unnecessary congregate care institutionalization in a Community Residential Service formal setting. Please keep the A-4 intact to support the most significantly disabled Minnesotans.

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