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As the mother of a child who was critically injured in a car accident in November 2018 at age 14, suffering a severe TBI...I whole heartedly support SB 420. There is very little resource available to patients and families regarding the help that the need. With no adult inpatient rehab or outpatient day rehab center available in this city patients are written off as disabled. I fought hard for my son...bringing him out of state for day rehab, pushing outpatient therapists to live outside their "norm" to help him work toward his recovery goal—to not only be a contributing mbr of society but to become a doctor. He is now in his freshman year of college, out of state, working toward that goal. But not every patient has a parent who can navigate on her own, who has privilege to afford care. We need resources for patients and families. Please pass this bill.