The Health Care Compact will Hurt Utahns with Disabilities

“We are very concerned about the negative effect the Health Care Compact will have on the delivery of appropriate services, including provider rates, because the Compact means fewer dollars will be available to Utah” says Joyce Dolcourt, Chair of the Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities.

There are currently approximately 1,900 individuals with Intellectual Disability, Physical Disability, and Traumatic Brain Injury who are on the waiting list for services through the Division of Services for People with Disabilities. “Even with our favorable 3 to 1 federal Medicaid match rate, Utah has not been able to provide services to individuals that need them—no one is able to explain just how will Utah do this with less” added Joyce. “Under the Compact, Utah will be forced to expand state government to administer the health coverage for Utahns with disabilities, including Early Intervention services for infants and toddlers from birth to three years of age, Medicaid, and Vocational Rehabilitation Services.”

The Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities opposes SB208, Health Care Compact (Sen. Adams). It’s bad policy and will hurt Utahns.

Vote NO on SB208