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Save IRIS reminds their legislators that it is not too late to do the right thing

(MADISON)- Members of the grassroots movement Save IRIS woke up today with as many questions and concerns as they had back in February when the budget proposal was released that eliminated IRIS.

In response to the JFC vote yesterday to dramatically change Wisconsin's long-term care system, Save IRIS Facebook followers shared questions such as these:

"I'm scared now. Is there any chance now that the JFC have spoken that IRIS can be saved?"

"I don't get it. How can the Joint Finance Committee say they have saved IRIS when they have eliminated it as we know it?"

"Now what?"

This is the time for legislators to listen to their constituents. The JFC long-term care plan, which proposes to put IRIS under new "Integrated Health Agencies," does not save IRIS in its present form. Self-direction under a managed care model is not the same as what is currently working well in IRIS. [Self Direction is NOT the Same in Family Care and IRIS](#)  
It is still unclear how much ability to self-direct supports and services is preserved in this new insurance model.

This leads Save IRIS to respectfully request that legislators take this opportunity to represent their constituents by voting to preserve IRIS as a separate Medicaid waiver program and to guarantee stakeholders relevant input going forward.

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