



**THE IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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**STANISLAUS COUNTY
IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(IHSSAC)
MEETING MINUTES – 9/14/2018**

Committee Members Present: Don Bak Valerie Mitchell
Linda White Naomi Manke
Marie Cochran Rose Martin

Committee Members Absent: Janet Ward – Advanced Notice Given

Link2Care Staff Present: Jeff Lambaren

Dignitaries and Guests: None

OPENING REMARKS by Don Bak

- Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Member of the Public – Sonja Marshall indicated that she would like join the IHSSAC. Form will be submitted to Board of Supervisors for vote and approval.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- August 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes approved.

PUBLIC AUTHORITY UPDATE

- New staff member starting on Monday 9/17/18 – Angela Guzman.
- Stanislaus County will be part of a workgroup that will provide data to CDSS on Sick Leave, specifically, requests for substitute providers. Data collection will start in November.

BUDGET UPDATE

- None.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- **AB 237 (Gonzalez-Fletcher)** – *In-Home Supportive Services*. Current law specifies that providers of in-home supportive services and waiver personal care services have bimonthly payroll periods. This bill would instead specify that a payroll period means two workweeks. **Update:** This bill turned into a gut and amend bill and now deals with a Pilot Program for Increased Access to Responsible Small Dollar Loans.

- **AB 2872 (Carrillo)** – *In-Home Supportive Services*. This bill would require the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to designate the hours, per county, to compensate providers of IHSS for educating other providers, using peer-to-peer training, in subject areas relating to the program, including how to enroll as a new provider and how to navigate the program, as specified. **Update:** Bill was heard 4/10/2018 and passed out of Assembly Human Services and is now referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee. **Update #2:** Still in the Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense File. **Update #3:** Now with Senate, waiting for action. **Update #4:** With Senate Appropriations scheduled to be heard August 6, 2018. **Update #5:** This bill was enrolled to the Governor on 9/7 and is currently awaiting final action by the Governor.
- **AB 3200 (Kaira)** – *Public Social Services: SSI/SSP*. This bill would increase SSI/SSP benefit payment and would reinstate the Cost of Living Adjustment as of January 1, 2019 and continue to provide COLAs annually. **Update:** Raise based on cost of living and index it for future annual increase. Hasn't been a COLA since 2011. Will sit with the Appropriations Committee. **Update #2:** Still in the Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense File. **Update #3:** Now with Senate, waiting for action. **Update #4:** With Senate Appropriations scheduled to be heard August 6, 2018. **Update #5:** This bill failed to meet legislative deadlines pursuant to Rule 61(b),(15), and accordingly is dead for the 2018 legislative year.
- **SB 1040 (Dodd)** - *In-Home Supportive Services: natural disaster resulting in a state of emergency*. Would expand the definition of “supportive services” to include all needs and services required during a natural disaster resulting in a declared state of emergency, and authorize, under those same circumstances, a county to allocate additional hours of supportive services. The bill would require a county to use a void and reissue warrant process for any provider who lost or had damaged and un-cashed warrant because of a natural disaster resulting in a state of emergency. The bill would require a county, including a city and county at the next update to its emergency plan, to integrate and require the assessment and provision of supportive services to IHSS recipients. **Update:** Passed out of the Senate Human Services and is with Senate Appropriations Committee. **Update #2:** This bill has been dual referred to Assembly Human Services and Assembly Housing Committees, where it has yet to be scheduled for hearings. **Update #3:** Amended in the House of Origin, it was read for second time, and then re-referred to the committee where it originated. Bill will likely move ahead. **Update #4:** Now with Assembly Appropriations to be heard in August. **Update #5:** This bill was enrolled to the Governor on 8/24 where it is awaiting final action by the Governor.
- **21st Century Cures Act/ “Electronic Visit Verification”** requirement is part of the federal “21st Century Cures Act” that was passed overwhelmingly by Congress in late December 2016 and signed into law by President Obama in his final weeks in office. **Update:** The President put a 1-year extension on this legislation to allow states more time to work with stakeholder group and work on readiness.

IHSSAC WEBSITE UPDATE

- Working on combined PA/IHSSAC Newsletter.
- Webmaster to post on website.
- Reminder to members to turn in articles.

DISCUSSION FROM PLANNING MEETING ON AUGUST 10, 2018

- Purpose – Being an advocate through education and improve services for recipients and providers. Advocacy, education, and understanding.
- Committee Accomplishments -
 - Explore information about a non-profit 501/C3.
 - Better the services to recipients and providers.
 - Keep pace with the changing demographics in our county.
- Future Accomplishments –
 - To understand what this group is about.
 - Staying informed on rules and regulations.
 - Help to improve the needs of recipients and providers.
 - Getting the word out about IHSS.
 - Educating individuals and members about the program.
 - Advertising to the general public.
 - Improve understanding of each group of their rights and responsibilities.
 - Improve quality of services, so each group has satisfaction in receiving and giving the services and reward/pay.
- Board Members Personal Goals –
 - Case of Access – Transportation to location.
 - Better Educated-
 - Know more about board.
 - Policies
 - IHSS Rules
 - Legislation/Funding
- Outreach –
 - Developing flyers to get the word out.
 - Advertising
 - Potentially using Modesto Bee section - About The Region
 - Events – Healthy Aging Summit
 - Explore advocacy through the use of social media
 - How to reach out to certain groups –
 - Recipients – Current mailing list.
 - Social Workers – Presentations at hospitals and nursing homes.
 - Providers – Educate family medical practitioners, counselors, and churches.
 - General Public – Schools, nursing programs, radio, self-help groups, United Way, and service clubs.
- To Do List –
 - Work on the IHSSAC brochure/flyer.
 - Work on presentation packet and training for presentation– Linda, Janet, and Valerie.
 - List of events – Don
 - Members can present at Healthy Aging and Fall Prevention Summit on Friday, October 19, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Modesto Centre Plaza. A free event for older adults and their caregivers.
 - Health Screenings and Services
 - Schedule volunteers from the Board.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT

- Linda and Valerie – Created an outline how to reach out to the community-
 - Social Media – Group or 2 members can do interviews on an existing site.
 - Talk Radio – Public service type interview to talk about the program.
 - Having a seminar – Invite different community groups to come on a specific date to IHSSAC Meeting at SVC and present to them.
 - Inviting a public interest group reporter to sit in to take notes and interview the members.
 - Send booklets to the professional community.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Public Comment
- Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from September 14, 2018 meeting
- Public Authority Update
- Budget Update
- Legislative Update
- Website Update
- Planning Day Follow-up
- Committee Members Report
- Next meeting October 12, 2018

Recorder
Nancy Gunnels