

THE IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE Jeffrey M. Lambaren

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STANISLAUS COUNTY IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IHSSAC) MEETING MINUTES 06/13/2014

Committee Members Present: Linda White Valerie Mitchell

Joan Blackwell Connie Muller Rose Martin

Committee Members Absent: Carmen Morad

Marie Cochran (advanced notice given)

IHSS & Link2Care Staff Present: Jeff Lambaren Mary Pena Debi Baker

OPENING REMARKS by Linda White

• Meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public in attendance

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Meeting minutes from the April 11, 2014 meeting were accepted.

PUBLIC AUTHORITY UPDATE

- Breaking News: Appears that there may be a Budget deal that pays IHSS Providers for overtime. There are two scenarios that were discussed, #1 pay all overtime, #2 pay overtime at IHSS maximum hours of 283 per month or 65.37 per week; which would mean 25 hours paid overtime. Appears that the State will continue with 7% reduction. New NOA's will be sent later this month.
- Reminder that IP's pay increased to \$10.00/hour. July 1st will increase to \$10.10/hour.
- Handout, "Certain Medicaid Waiver Payments May Be Excluded From Income". Received an inquiry from an Individual Provider (IP) who lives with the recipient, certain IPs may be exempt from taxes for income earned caring for live-in Recipients that are related. Advised all to check with their tax prepared to see if they qualify.

BUDGET UPDATE

 Handout, Letter from PHI Quality Care Through Quality Jobs to Speakers of the State Assembly and State Senate in concerns of Governor Brown's proposal to cap hours for IP's.



- Handout, Letter from NAMD (National Association of Medicaid Directors) requesting an extension of the implementation period for the final rule, "Application of the Fair Labor Standards Act to Domestic Services," issued October 2013. The extension unlikely will be approved.
- Handout, Guest Commentary on "Reject cap on hours for home care providers" published by the Pasadena Star-News
- Handout, Letter from IHSS Coalition Quality Begins at Home to Brad Elftmann, Adult Program Division, Department of Social Services
- Handout, Draft IHSS Program Recipient Designation of Provider & Workweek Agreement.
- Handout, Draft IHSS Program Provider Workweek & Travel Time Agreement (for use by providers with multiple recipients).
- Handout, Draft 3 samples of timesheets
- Handout, IHSS Assessment and Authorization of Travel Time
- Handout, IHSS Accompaniment to Medical Appointments
- Handout, Copy of Manual of Policies and Procedures Division 30, MPP §30-757.134-135;
 §30-757.15

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

None.

CICA MEMBERSHIP

- Handout of email regarding "Fair Wage and Training Act of 2014". Proposal requiring IHSS providers are paid a minimum wage supplement. Upon enactment, the wage supplement provided in the measure would supplement the wages of all IHSS providers by \$1 per hour because of the scheduled \$1 increase in the hourly minimum wage from \$8 to \$9 on July 1, 2014.
- Motion was made by Linda with a second by Valerie to continue CICA membership of \$500. Motion approved.

FURTHER ACTION PLANNING FOR 2014

Linda and Valerie will submit articles for the newsletter.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT

None.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Public Comment
- Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from June 13, 2014 meeting
- Public Authority Update
- Budget Update
- Legislative Update
- Further Action Planning for 2014
- Committee Members Report
- Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Debi Baker, Recorder