



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

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**STANISLAUS COUNTY
IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IHSSAC)
MEETING MINUTES
6/10/16**

Committee Members Present: Valerie Mitchell Linda White
Joan Blackwell Rose Martin
Marie Cochran

Committee Members Absent: Alma Avina
Mohamed Rashid (advanced notice given)
Connie Miller (advanced notice given)

IHSS & Link2Care Staff Present: Jeff Lambaren and Kelly Violette

OPENING REMARKS by Linda White

- Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- Meeting minutes from the May13, 2016 meeting were accepted.

PUBLIC AUTHORITY UPDATE

- California In-Home Support Services Consumer Alliance Newsletter (CICA) General information about CICA spending plan, and membership. CICA plan is to publish a quarterly newsletter.
- For the last two months, the California Department Social Services (CDSS) issued program manager letters stating they would suppress violations and requested that counties reach out to IHSS Providers who would have received violations to educate them about the rule changes. Violations will begin in July 2016. There have been discussions regarding this process; it is going too fast and is confusing making it hard for the Providers to understand. The California Welfare Director's Association (CWDA) and the California Association of Public Authorities (CAPA) have requested the violations be suspended until September 2016; this has been unsuccessful so far.
 - The county receives violation reports on a secure file with providers name & case numbers, which then research is done to find out why the violation occurred (Overtime hours with one or more clients, Travel time, etc.)

- The county has 5 business days to resend and or proceed with the violation. A Notice then gets mailed to the Provider and Recipient the Provider has ten (10) days to request a review.
- Additional staff will be hired; two (2) for Public Authority and seven (7) for In-Home Supportive Services to address the increased workload.
- The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Adult Services Director is retiring at the end of the calendar year. Currently there are also two positions that assist with the Adult Services Director that have been vacant for the last 4 months.

BUDGET UPDATE

- The Budget Conference Committee finished its work Thursday evening (June 9th) considered “final” part of the budget package of bills that will be approved and sent to the Governor by June 15th
 - However efforts by advocates to push for larger increases in the state portion of the Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Payment (SSI/SSP) did not make it into the final conference Committee.
 - While the main budget issues have been resolved, The actual specific final language for a wide range of budget issues that will be included in the dozen or so budget “trailer bills” remain to be drafted and finalized by the budget committee staff which has to take place on or before June 15th.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- **AB 1584 Public Social Services: SSI/SSP**
 - This bill reinstates the cost-of-living adjustments for the State Supplementary Program for the Aged, Blind and Disabled and indexes the maximum Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) benefit to the federal poverty level. This bill is in the possession of the Senate Rules Committee, awaiting referral to policy committee.
- **AB 1797 In Home Support Services Application:**
 - This bill allows an individual to apply for IHSS services either in person or through electronic means, including telephone, and requires the county, if the application is filed through electronic means to provide a confirmation number. The bill permits the county to use the case number as the confirmation number. Further, the bill codifies the existing regulation requiring the county to process an IHSS application within 30 days of receipt of the completed application. This bill is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Human Services committee June 14th
- **AB 2721- Elder and Dependent Adult Fraud: Information Notice**
 - Would require the Department of Justice to develop and distribute an informational notice that warns the public about elder and dependent adult fraud and provides information regarding how and where to file complaints. The bill would also require the notice to be made available on the Internet Web site of the Attorney General. This bill is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Public Safety Committee June 14th

ACTION PLANNING FOR 2015-2016

- Request for Senior Health Fair Summit for the Aging/Fall Prevention
 - Would the Committee be willing updating Fall Prevention material for the upcoming Summit in October 2016

- Balance of the Committee's budget after stipends has been paid.
- Remainder of the balance is available for other Committee projects.
- Motion made to approve Fall Prevention materials for The Senior Health Fair Summit. (passed)
 - Fall prevention guide that has been advertise in previous year it's been 4 years since published. Linda & Bill White will be in the updated version for 15/16
 - For 16/17 fiscal year plans for what we want to do. Other projects what we would like to do. We should have about \$3,500.00 after paying stipends for the Committee Members next fiscal year.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT

- None
- New Public Authority Office update: the Chief Executive Office (CEO) is working with landlord on remodeling design plans. Dedication is scheduled for November 11, 2016.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Public Comment
- Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2016
- Public Authority Update
- Budget Update
- Legislative Update
- Further Action Planning for FY 2016-2017
- Committee Members Report
- Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Kelly Violette, Recorder