

THE IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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STANISLAUS COUNTY IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IHSSAC) MEETING MINUTES – 09.13.2024

Committee Members Present: Christina Trott

Gloria Sadeddeen

Janet Ward Renee Cross Sylva Soberanis

Committee Members Absent: Teresa Westfall

Yvonne Barrett Valerie Mitchell Sherrie Thomas

Link2Care Staff Present: Gina Innes

Dignitaries and Guests: None

Members of the Public: Patricia Reyes

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Call to order: 1:23 p.m.

Public Comment:

- Sylvia brought up the issues transportation being difficult in Gustine.
- Discussion on EVV checking in and out for IHSS providers. There may be connection issues due to the area.
- Patricia Reyes: Discussion on Provider/Recipient experience and being let go. Process
 was difficult to get a new recipient and months went by before she was rehired by the
 previous recipient. Main Issue was regarding lost hours and her experience.

Approval of Minutes:

Prior meeting minutes approved



Additions to the Agenda:

Advisory Committee Appointments

Legislative Updates:

 AB 2704: Criminal Background Checks – Proposing to remove the \$32 fee for providers. It's moving forward to the Governor.

Public Authority and IHSS Updates:

- Discussion on EVV checking in and out. There may be connection issues due to the Service area.
- Discussion of submitting a change request for recipients and providers to be able to see hours remaining or available via the EVV portal.
- Sick/Vacation: Providers eligible to 40 hours of sick time effective 07/01/2024 if requirements are met. There are no available vacations hours for providers.
- State is set to release an ACL or instruction regarding Telehealth assessments. More to come on this.

CICA Updates:

- Kim Rothchild (CAPA): AB 1005-This would expedite IHSS for Terminal Recipients. Stanislaus County already has procedure in place to expediate their services.
- AB 817: Brown Act regarding the Hybrid meeting. CICA is currently pushing to get another AB 817 replacement bill to legislation. Some are using the reasonable accommodation law to get around having to only attend in person.
- Rafi Nazarians: AARP California lobbyist is supporting Vaguely Keen act to make virtual access standard.
- AB 2249: Brown Act-Loosening the brown act rules to allow virtual meetings.
- Term limits: In some counties there are strict rules when serving on the committee.
 Stanislaus County term is 2 years. Request for reappointment goes to the Board of Supervisors.
- · Recipient Training with their role to IHSS.
- County Level Surveys: Surveys were being sent out to Recipients/Providers to get ideas of what works or doesn't.
- CICA started a newsletter.
- Sylvia shared that she has a checklist that she helps train other recipients to help them on what they need to ask or look for. She does this at her local Senior Center.
- Christine provided handouts regarding more information and different examples of newsletters.
- PA SC: Did a job bank-Its online and gives you information and allows you to apply right then.



Committee Discussion:

- Community Event: Healthy Aging and Fall Prevention will be on 10/11 from 8-1pm at Modesto Center Plaza and DRAIL Event will be on 10/18 from 10-2pm.
- Newsletter: We can put something together. Luisa will provide example of newsletters. Committee members can bring ideas as far as content.
- Board of Supervisors assignment updated and handed out.
- Review bylaws at future meeting.

Closed Session:

• Committee Chair and Co-Chair positions are 2-year terms. Renee and Gloria will continue thru 2025. New elections will be in 2026.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

- Newsletter
- Review bylaws

Next meeting: November 15, 2024, at 1:00 pm.

Recorder Luisa Kirkbride