



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

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**STANISLAUS COUNTY
IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IHSSAC)
MEETING MINUTES - 2/9/2018**

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

Committee Members Absent: Lisa Hensley—Advance Notice Given
Connie Muller—Advance Notice Given

Link2Care Staff Present: Jeff Lambaren

Dignitaries and Guests: Supervisor DeMartini

OPENING REMARKS by Linda White

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Supervisor DeMartini is now Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor DeMartini provided the State of the County Address this week.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- Two months of minutes to approve. December 2017 & January 2018. Naomi motioned to accept and Marie seconds the motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC AUTHORITY UPDATE

- IHSS Payroll:
 - Annual Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) refund checks went out January 20, 2018 for over-collected taxes.
 - Providers are now able to have wages exempt from Federal and State taxes if they complete State of California (SOC) 2298 Live-In Provider Self Certification form. Wages reported on W2s are based on when forms were processed. The State identified IPs living with Clients and sent mailer.
 - Duplicate W2s requests cannot be submitted to the State until 2/26/2018.

BUDGET UPDATE

- Governor's Budget
 - Potential for hours reduction to occur in 2019 if Managed Care Organization (MCO) tax is not addressed
 - More information will start to come out with May revise.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- Legislature had until January 21, 2018
 - AB106 (Ting) – Works on MOE & Collective Bargaining to recast provisions of MOE, basically update it to have a better deal than the counties having to pay a significant amount of the administrative cost. State encouraged spending on program and then shifted the costs to the counties
 - AB237 (Gonzalez-Fletcher)—Converting the pay periods to 2x/mo to every 2 weeks. State said it is too costly and not planning to do this. Assembly bill is with the senate right now.
 - 21st Century Cure’s Act—Electronic Visit Verification requires verification that a Provider is actually at the Recipient’s home. States will have until January 2019 to comply. Failure to comply will cause financial penalties imposed. State has issued a Request for Information (RFI) from different vendors to see how they would implement this. Texas has implemented, but no details about how it is working.

Committee’s Website Update

http://www.csa-stanislaus.com/ihss-advisory-committee/index.html#_members

- IHSSAC website includes:
 - Pictures & Stories of Committee members for website. Janet’s information posted. Naomi’s and Don’s information will be posted when Jeff receives the “Why I joined”.
 - Agenda & Minutes, Newsletters, & Resource information provided on the website. Contact Information & Other programs listed under Helpful Links on right side of the main webpage.
- Committee Members (3 Providers and 5 Consumers)—A letter was submitted to the Board of Supervisors to remove Lisa Hensley from the Committee as she is no longer able to serve. The Committee can now recruit additional Providers for the Committee. Jeff has a spreadsheet of those that were interested in participating. Board of Supervisors considers/approves candidates.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS UPDATE

- Don Bak was elected as Committee Chair, Janet Ward was elected as the Vice-Chair. Both were elected unanimously. Elections are held every 2 years. The Committee thanked Linda for her six years of services as the Chair.
- Don Bak has an interest in seeing IHSSAC publish a monthly advisory newsletter.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT

- Valerie didn’t write her letter because she was ill.
- Naomi was unable to prepare her article for the newsletter

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Public Comment
- Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from February 9, 2018 meeting
- Public Authority Update
- Budget Update
- Legislative Update
- Website Update
- Committee Members Report
- Agenda Items for Next Meeting, April 13, 2017

Recorder -Alyssa Grayson