



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

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**STANISLAUS COUNTY  
IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
(IHSSAC)  
MEETING MINUTES – 7/13/2018**

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

Committee Members Absent: None

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**

- None

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

- June 8, 2018 Meeting Minutes approved.

**PUBLIC AUTHORITY UPDATE**

- County Fiscal Letter (CF) 08/09-10. In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Advisory Committee Expenditures (Handout)-This CFL is to remind counties that funding is allocated each fiscal year specifically for the direct support of the IHSS Advisory Committees.
  - Acceptable Advisory Committee expenditures include:
    - Postage and general office supplies
    - Cost of photocopying/printing
    - Phones and phone conferencing equipment, computers, office furniture, office/room rental
    - Internet access and website maintenance
    - Special equipment for the deaf/hearing impaired
    - Readers and/or alternate formats (e.g., Braille)
    - Translation/interpreter services
    - Compensation to attendants for members participating in meetings
    - Stipends, travel, mileage, parking fees
    - Training on Advisory Committee responsibilities and duties

- Conference registration fees
- Meeting facilitator
- Costs to conduct surveys
- Staff time in support of the Advisory Committee
- Membership dues to state or federal organizations
- Newsletters
- Resource Fairs/Outreach
- Advertisement to recruit for committee vacancies or improve participation
- Unacceptable Advisory Committee Expenditures
  - Not intended to provide any direct services or benefits to consumers such as attendant services not directly related to the Advisory Committee, or training for providers or consumers.
  - Small gifts, key chains, coffee mugs, or meals.

## BUDGET UPDATE

- Governor signed the budget and all the corresponding budget bills. The Legislatures adjourned July 6, 2018 and will return on August 6, 2018.

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- **AB2872 (Carrillo)**—*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.* **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.
- **AB3200 (Kalra)**- *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.
- **SB 1040 (Dodd)**—*This bill came out of last year's tragic flooding and fires. 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, as county to allocate additional hours of supportive services. Counties could allocate addition hours for affected Recipients and expedite replacement of Provider warrants that could not be delivered or retrieved. Counties could expedite the replacement warrant process. Current warrant replacement process is typically 6 weeks, but depending on circumstances could take 6-9 months or longer. IP could be from a neighboring county.* **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.

- **Waiver Providers-** *This bill is for Association of Public Authorities to bring waiver providers under the umbrella of the Public Authority. Waiver providers work for the Department of Healthcare Service, program only for the severely medical needy. Frequently they work the recipients IHSS hours and then they work their waiver hours.*  
**Update:** Close to a deal. **Update #2:** Bill was approved.
- **Expedited Provider Enrollment-** *This bill basically states within 14 days of the Provider contacting IHSS, provider has to be through the process.* **Update:** This bill is working its way through the Legislative process. **Update #2:** No did not pass.

### **IHSSAC WEBSITE UPDATE**

- Newsletter is completed. Will be posted on website under IHSSAC and Public Authority. Plan is to have a newsletter completed for Summer, Fall, Winter and Spring.
  - Information inside: article by Marie, IHSS and Public Authority information, Partner programs information, local events at the Veterans Center.

### **RETREAT PLANNING**

- Christy Almen will facilitate.
- Retreat will be held at SVC on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- Short meeting starts at 10:00 adjourn then start the retreat and will be done between 2:00 – 3:00.
- Jeff was able to get approval to have lunch provided.
- Some of the discussion items for the retreat will be: off-site meetings, how to connect with the community, financing (budget), website updates, rules on how to use social media, outreach events at hospitals and rehabs, how to get information to emergency responders.
- Jeff suggested an opportunity for the Advisory Committee would be at the Healthy Aging Summit at Modesto Centre Plaza in October. Members are welcome to join and help hand out materials to promote IHSSAC.
- Reminder calls to members will state special meeting starts at 10:00 and to plan for a longer day.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT**

- None

### **AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

- Public Comment
- Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from July 13, 2018 meeting
- Agenda Items For Next Meeting
- Next meeting August 10, 2018

*Recorder  
Nancy Gunnels*