# **Olmstead Advisory Committee Meeting**

# **June 20, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

Department of Rehabilitation

721 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, California

## **Committee Members Present:**

Brenda Premo

Tamaran Cook

Susan Demarois

Barbara Hanna

Kathy Kelly

Peter Mendoza

Lydia Missaelides

Robert Taylor

Ed Walsh

Kate Wilbur

## **State Staff Present:**

Michael Wilkening (CHHS)

Marko Mijic (CHHS)

Jim Knight (DDS)

Lora Connolly (CDA)

Jennifer Kent (DHCS)

Will Lightbourne (DSS)

Joe Xavier (DOR)

Debbi Thomson (DSS)

Nichole Patterson (DDS)

Jana Chapman-Plon (DDS)

Irene Walela (DOR)

Caroline Peck (CDPH)

Terrence Kelly (CDPH)

## **Agenda Item 1: Welcome and Introductions**

Chair Brenda Premo welcomed the group and introduced California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHSA) Secretary Michael Wilkening.

## **Agenda Items 2 and 3: Updates from the Health and Human Services Agency and Departments**

Secretary Wilkening thanked the Departments and the committee for serving persons with disabilities in California. Secretary Wilkening spoke about the upcoming administration transition and requested that the Committee work on a paper describing the priorities and accomplishments of the Committee to be included in transition documentation.

Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Director Jennifer Kent provided an update on the DHCS budget and noted that the 1915 Specialty Mental Health Services Waiver and the 1115 Medi-Cal waiver will expire in August and December of 2020, respectively.

Department of Social Services (DSS) Director Will Lightbourne provided an update on the DSS budget, noting that the IHSS is stable and fully funded at the current workload, Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) has been authorized resources as long as DSS continues to report progress back to the legislature and they anticipate a “good faith” extension with the federal government. He also noted that SSI/SSP recipients are now also eligible for SNAP benefits due to the removal of cash-out provision, full implementation is anticipated to be next summer.

Department of Developmental Services (DDS) provided a status update on their Developmental Center closures as well as noted that the Self-Determination Program Waiver was approved by CMS.

Department of Aging (CDA) Director Lora Connolly provided an update on the CDA budget noting that no programs were eliminated. She also mentioned that CDA will be requesting to apply for a federal Alzheimer’s grant which would provide $650k over 3 years for Cal Medi-connect to use to identify individuals with dementia.

Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) Director Joe Xavier provided an update on the DOR budget noting that the Traumatic Brain Injury program will continue.

## **Agenda Item 3: California Task Force on Family Caregivers Report**

Kathy Kelly, Executive Director, Family Caregiver Alliance and Sandi Fitzpatrick, Executive Director, California Commission on Aging presented regarding the Family Caregivers Report. The report give an overview of how existing policies in California to support caregivers have not kept pace with the changing needs for those needing care as well as provides recommendations intended to bridge gaps between existing policies and the challenges faced by California caregivers.

## **Agenda Item 4: Long Term Support Services (LTSS) Exploratory Coalition**

Susan DeMarios, Director of Government Affairs, Alzheimer’s Coalition spoke regarding the proposed 3-prong solution for California to address linkages to care, access and affordability for needs of older adults, people with disabilities and caregivers.

## **Agenda Item 5: Alzheimer’s Early Detection and Diagnosis Toolkit**

Dr. Caroline Peck and Terrence Kelly of the Chronic Disease and Injury Control Division, CDPH gave an overview of the Alzheimer’s disease and presented on the Alzheimer’s Early Detection and Diagnosis Toolkit which serves the purpose of enabling accurate diagnosis of dementia due to Alzheimer’s disease in a primary care setting, helping clinicians identify situations where diagnosis of Alzheimer’s disease is not straightforward and helping make appropriate referrals.

## **Agenda Item 6: Legislation Watch List**

Add SB 1004 to Watch List.

## **Agenda Item 7: Next Steps and Closing Comments**

The meeting adjourned.