



Disability & Aging Community Living Advisory Committee

August 26th, 2021 | 9:00am – 12:00pm



Logistics

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Welcome

Secretary Mark Ghaly

California Health & Human Services
Agency

Director Kim McCoy Wade

California Department of Aging

Committee Member Introductions

Roster I

Stakeholder Co-Chairs

Eric Harris, Disability Rights CA

Claire Ramsey, Justice in Aging

Stakeholder Committee

Valerie Agostino, Mercy Housing

Patricia Blaisdell, CA Hospital Association

Mareva Brown, Senate Pro Temp's Office

Michelle Cabrera, County Behavioral Health Directors Association of CA

Erika Castile, CA Commission on Aging

Nina Weiler- Harwell, AARP CA

Roster II

Stakeholder Committee, Cont.

Jessica Cruz, National Alliance for Mental Illness CA

Jared Giarrusso, Alzheimer's Association

Sheri Farinha, NorCal Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Liz Fuller, Assembly Committee on Aging and Long-Term Care

Lisa Gonzales, Deaf Plus Adult Community; Regional Center of the East Bay

Gabe Griffith, CA Council of the Blind

Gail Gronert, Assembly Speaker's Office

Joanne Handy, Aging Services of California

Barbara Hanna, CA Association for Health Services at Home

Susan Henderson, Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund

Michael Humphrey, Sonoma County IHSS Public Authority

Corrine Jones, Multipurpose Senior Services Program

Kathy Kelly, Family Caregiver Alliance

Roster III

Stakeholder Committee, Cont.

Eileen Kunz, On-Lok Lifeways

Sunny Maden, Family Member and Advocates

Shireen McSpadden, San Francisco Human Services Agency

Peter Mendoza, Consumer Advocate

Kim Mills, A Better Life Together, Inc. San Diego Regional Center Provider

Lydia Missaelides, Alliance for Leadership and Education

Marty Omoto, CA Disability Community Action Network

Gabriel Rogin, North Bay Regional Center

Michelle Rousey, Consumer Advocate

Katie Shinoda, Mercy Sacramento

Richard Smith, Independent Living Partnership

Sarah Steenhausen, The SCAN Foundation

Robert Taylor, Lake County IHSS Public Authority Advisory Committee

Greg Thompson, Personal Assistance Services Council, Los Angeles

Roster IV

Stakeholder Committee, Cont.

Janie Whiteford, CA In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Consumer Alliance

Kate Wilber, USC Center for Long-Term Care Integration

Sylvia Yeh, Friends of Children with Special Needs; San Andreas Regional Center and Regional Center of the East Bay

Alona Yorkshire, Foster Parent of High Needs Child

State Chair

Kim McCoy Wade, CA Department of Aging

State Committee Members

Tomas Aragon, CA Department of Public Health

Nancy Bargmann, CA Department of Developmental Services

Lourdes Castro-Ramirez, CA Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency

Stephanie Clendenin, CA Department of State Hospitals

Mark Ghaly, CA Health and Human Services Agency

Roster V

State Committee Members, Cont.

Vito Imbasciani, CA Department of Veterans Affairs

Kim Johnson, CA Department of Social Services

David Kim, CA State Transportation Agency

Will Lightbourne, CA Department of Health Care Services

Julie Su, CA Labor and Workforce Development Agency

Vance Taylor, CA Governor's Office of Emergency Services

Joe Xavier, CA Department of Rehabilitation

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Committee Updates

Director Kim McCoy Wade
California Department of Aging

**Home & Community
Based Services (HCBS)
Spending Plan**

Director Will Lightbourne
CA Department of Health Care Services

HCBS Spending Plan

Committee

Discussion

PART ONE:

1) **Workforce**

2) **Navigations &**

Transitions

Facilitated by:

Claire Ramsey
Justice in Aging

Eric Harris
Disability Rights California

HCBS Spending Plan

REFLECTIONS FROM THE MPA LTSS SUBCOMMITTEE

Workforce Development

- Huge need for workforce investments
- Provider shortages very real problem
- Critical to retain and expand number of direct care providers
- Important to have career advancement without making shortages worse
- One-time funding extremely helpful
- On-going funding critical to ensuring higher wages/benefits long-term

Transitions & Navigation

- Need to provide both Medi-Cal and non-Medi-Cal navigation and transitions options
- Clarification of intersections between CalAIM and other existing services
- Need to ensure consistency across state so transitions and navigation are equitable

Break

*The session will resume
shortly.*

**HCBS Spending Plan
Committee Discussion**

PART TWO:

3) Services

**4) Infrastructure/Support
& Other**

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HCBS Services

- Intersections between HCBS Roadmap, CalAIM, and Spending Plan important to creating statewide system
- On-going funding important to ensure services continue past end of ARPA funds
- Balancing new investments with funding for existing programs
- Important to discuss rates for providers and how that impacts access to services

Infrastructure & Supports

- Access to technology crosses all aspects of people's lives, vital for community living
- LTSS data needs should be linked with other efforts including CalAIM
- Nutrition infrastructure really in need of this funding

Topics In Community Living

Open Discussion by All

All Committee Members are welcome to speak on emerging issues and opportunities in Community Living (including Equity, Housing, Transportation, Employment, Emergency Services, Digital Divide, Behavioral Health, and more)

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Summary & Next Steps

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