IMPACT Stakeholder Committee
July 14th Meeting Summary

Meeting PowerPoint slides, transcript, & video recording, and all IMPACT Committee info are posted to CHHS’s Master Plan for Aging webpage.

The Administration convened the new IMPACT Stakeholder Committee members in July 2021 to advise on implementation and continuous improvement to the California Master Plan for Aging (MPA) released in January 2021.

The primary recommendation from the Committee and the public all Cabinet Members and MPA partners is to consider six themes while implementing the MPA initiatives, new federal and state budget investments, and all agency priorities that impact older and disabled adults, families, and caregivers:

1) COVID-19 Recovery, particularly nursing homes and job/income loss from early retirement (assist ppl in continuing to earn as they age); is there anything we need to revisit on the MPA as we reflect upon CV19 lessons learned?

2) “The Missing Middle”, especially people on Medicare without access to Home & Community Based Services (HCBS) or other HS

3) Access & Navigation of Services: Improved ease of navigation and public awareness of all aging and disability services; streamline the existing services, rather than multiplying the options
   - Aging & Disability Resource Connections (ADRC) investments and public town halls are in progress

4) Aging Lens/Intersections Across Cabinet: Collaboratively “produce bigger ideas that work better.” How do we develop capacity and connections in government and with partners at the intersection of aging and the following?
   - Preventing and Ending Homelessness: As with housing options, increase coordination and collaboration across Agencies and Departments, 21-22 Budget as a catalyst for collective action
   - Housing Options Opportunities: Increase and maintain affordability and accessibility, to specifically meet the needs of older adults and ppl with disabilities and address racial inequities
   - Addressing, Preparing for, and Adapting to Climate Change Threats: Air and water quality, drought, energy, heat
   - Emergency Preparedness and Response (ties to climate change): In-Home Support Services (IHSS)/attendant care PC, Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) without mitigation (microgrids)
   - Transportation: Improving access and efficiency, intersecting with equity
   - Behavioral Health: Overall lack of integration with healthcare, in additional to lack of BH for older adults and people of color
• **Baking Equity into MPA & Associated Structures, Services:** Ensure experiential representation, in addition to demographic; carry equity across each Goal Area and topic.

5) **Leadership: Population and Cross-Sector Level**

• **Population and Multi-Sectoral Approaches,** such as Aging Hubs and Spokes

• **Improve Data Collection:** what are the data gaps, demographics, set specific desired outcomes/targets? (academics + communities to determine); ensure data represents intersectionalities

• **Language Access** – particularly around public benefits, esp for older adults

• **Connections to Counties and Cities** – Improve communications, collect input to build structures that work locally

6) **Leveraging Federal opportunities,** such as on Home and Community Care, Direct Care Workforce, SSI, and more.

Other updates from IMPACT Stakeholder Committee & MPA operations in progress, include:

• IMPACT will continue meeting on a quarterly cycle through the end of 2022
  o Each meeting will focus on one MPA goal each, with relevant cabinet members to be invited

• CDA will coordinate collection of top-line info from key stakeholder committees to inform IMPACT (such as Alzheimer’s Advisory Committee, Disability & Aging Community Living Advisory Committee, and more)

• Seek opportunities to continually strengthen accountability, including consideration of setting data benchmarks for each of the five MPA goals

• Proceed to fill new leadership positions funded in 21-22 budget: Governor’s Office Senior Advisor on Aging, Disability & Alzheimer’s Disease; and CDA Deputy of Policy & Research Division (will oversee MPA)

7/14 IMPACT Stakeholder Committee Meeting members (9) in attendance:

• Susan DeMarois, Director of Public Policy, Alzheimer’s Association, Northern California & Northern Nevada Chapter

• Andy Imparato, JD, Executive Director, Disability Rights California

• Nancy McPherson, MPA, State Director, AARP California

• Sarita Mohanty, MD, MPH, MBA, President & CEO, The SCAN Foundation

• Doug Moore, Executive Director, United Domestic Workers Association

• Glenda Jackson, Deputy Director on behalf of Sharon Nevins, LCSW, MPA, Director, Department of Aging & Adult Services, San Bernardino County

• Kevin Prindiville, Executive Director, Justice in Aging

• Kiran Savage-Sangwan, MPA, Executive Director, California Pan-Ethnic Health Network
Fernando Torres-Gil, PhD, MSW, Professor of Social Welfare and Public Policy and Director of the Center for Policy Research on Aging at University of California-Los Angeles