Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 9th, 2021
10:00am-1:00pm

Location: Zoom Conference Call

Members Present via Zoom
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1. Call to Order: Welcome and Committee Member Updates

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair, Josie Porras Corporon. The Chair welcomed new members. Members provided updates to the committee.

Dr. Jarmin Yeh, UCSF and co-author of the report

Minutes:

• **Definitional constructs**
  Dementia
  - Overall term for a group of symptoms with several causes.
  - Characteristic include declining memory and impairments with language, recognition, movement, problem-solving, or other cognitive skills that affect a person’s ability to perform everyday activities.

  Alzheimer’s disease or Alzheimer’s dementia (AD)
  - Most common type of dementia.
  - Accounts for 60% of dementia cases.
  - Degenerative, meaning it worsens overtime.

  Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias (ADRD)
  - Overall term for common types of dementia, including Alzheimer’s disease, Lewy body disease, Frontotemporal dementia, etc.

• **Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias (ADRD) in California**
  Prevalence
  - By 2040, the number of Californians living with ADRD will increase.

  Lifetime risk
  - Among California’s 8.3 million Baby Boomers who live to age 65+.
  - 20% will develop dementia (1 in 5 people).
  - 16% will develop AD (1 in 6 people).

Mortality
  - AD moved up to the 3rd leading cause of death in California in 2018.
  - AD showed the greatest increase in the number of deaths (20%) compared to other leading causes of death in California.

• **Living arrangements for people living with ADRD**
  By 2040, the number of Californians living with AD who reside in various community settings will double.

• **Caregiving for people living with ADRD**
  There are 4 types of caregivers: Paid, Paid “hidden”, unpaid and volunteers.

• **Cost of caring for people with ADRD in California**
By 2040, the social cost of caring for Californians age 55+ living with AD in the community or in an institution will double.

By 2025, California’s Medicaid payments for person age 65+ living with AD will increase 32%.

By 2040, long-term care costs in California will double.

Double the number of geriatricians are needed in California to meet the demand.

The Cost to California employers in lost productivity annually is $8.3 billion.

Approximately $5.3 billion annually is attributable to attempting to replace caregivers who leave the workforce.

3. Cross-cutting Alzheimer’s and Related Disorders Issues and Prioritization

**Monica Morales, MPA, Deputy Director, Center for Healthy Communities, CDPH**

**Diana E. Ramos, MD, MPH, MBA, Assistant Deputy Director Chronic Disease Prevention, Center for Healthy Communities, CDPH and**

**Susan DeMarois, Director, CDA to update the committee on departmental collaboration efforts**

**Minutes:**

- **Public Awareness Campaign - $8.5 million**
  Focused on educating the public on signs and symptoms as well as target populations at risk. Provide multilingual, multicultural, and intergenerational.

  Collaboration efforts: Advisory group (to be formed): Department of Health Care Services, California Department of Aging, California Health and Human Services Agency Alzheimer’s Advisory Committee

- **Standards of Dementia Care - $3.825 million**
  Design a Statewide Standards of Dementia Care Model ($1.7 million):
  -Dyad Centered: Incorporate family caregivers
  -Screening: Ensure primary care physicians
  -Training: Develop a formal, networked “hub and spoke” model

  Predictive Analytics ($2.125 million):
  -Develop an algorithm leveraging electronic medical records to identify high-risk patients
Collaboration efforts: Department of Health Care Services – Senate Bill 48 and California Home and Community Based Services

- **Caregiver Training and Certification Program - $3.4 million**
  Focusing on unpaid family caregivers:
  - No cost, online, multi-lingual
  - Working to leverage education credits i.e.

  Collaboration efforts (leverage education credits): CDA lead, Labor and Workforce Development Agency, Department of Social Services, Department of Health Care Access and Information, and Department of Health care Services

- **Dementia Friendly Communities - $1.7 million**
  Goal: Locally improve cognitive health through place-based interventions

  Collaboration efforts: California Healthy Brain Initiative work, California Department of Aging, and Parks and Recreation

- **MPA Goal # 4: Caregiving that works.**
  Target: One million high-quality caregiving jobs

- **The Direct Care Workforce**
  - Develop a landscape of California’s Direct Care Workforce to include home care, IHSS, CNAs and more
  - Identify opportunities for alignment and coordination across LWDA and CalHHS
  - Develop a Direct Care Workforce Career “Lattice” (Career pathways)

- **The Direct Care Workforce (non-IHSS) Training and Stipends Program**
  - $150 million enhanced federal funding
  - Lead departments: CDA, with CDPH, DHCS, DSS, HCAI (formerly OSHPD)

- **Support for Family Caregivers**

- **Alzheimer’s Day Care Resource Centers – Relaunching in 2022**
  - $5 million enhanced federal funding
  - One-time available over three years
  - CDA Vision team meeting weekly
  - Expected launch timeline: summer 2022
4. Update from the CA Department of Public Health (CDPH)

Monica Morales, MPA, Deputy Director, Center for Healthy Communities, CDPH
Jessica Núñez de Ybarra, MD, Chief, Chronic Disease Control Branch, CDPH
Angie Reed, Program Lead, Alzheimer’s Disease Program, CDPH

Minutes:

- **Alzheimer’s Awareness Toolkit**
  - Social Media Images: [https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OPA/CDPH%20Document%20Library/Toolkits/alz_messaging_toolkit.pdf](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OPA/CDPH%20Document%20Library/Toolkits/alz_messaging_toolkit.pdf)

- **Alzheimer’s Disease Program Activities (CA Healthy Brain Initiative)**
  - [Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Control (ca.gov)](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OPA/CDPH%20Document%20Library/Toolkits/alz_messaging_toolkit.pdf)

- **CA Healthy Brain Initiative Progress Report Highlights**
  - County of Los Angeles developed culturally tailored community education curricula and culturally competent training material and standards of care for health care providers and allied professionals
  - County of Placer developed two public service announcements, implemented Project Lifesaver, and offering Evidenced-based Virtual Dementia Training Program
  - County of Sacramento completed training on two Alzheimer’s Association evidence-based curricula, developed ADRDs local resource guide for the public, implemented a multi-media campaign, and presented on ADRDs
  - County of San Diego incorporated various resources/tools in Physician Guidelines update and companion AlzDxRx mobile application, collaborated with clinicians to update exam room poster, developed Dementia Friendly Activities Toolkit and translated the Dementia Communication Card into four languages, and actively engaged public health professionals
  - County of Santa Clara distributed “Older Adult Study” specifically targeting the LGBTQ community, produced educational materials, partnered with Alzheimer’s Association for multi-media campaign Know Where Alzheimer’s Hides, and wrote a White Paper on the Digital Divide
  - Shasta County distributed pamphlets with information on ADRDs, implemented Virtual Grand rounds Colloquia, and trained mandated disaster workers

5. **Action: Approval of September Meeting Minutes**
Josie Porras Corporon, Committee Chair; Committee Members

- No corrections to the minutes. September minutes approved 12/9/2021.

**Action: Finalization of Recommendations and Items for Update to the Secretary**

- The Chair would like to thank the various Agency for the work that they continue to put in on implementing the Master Plan and moving forward with the recommendation of the task force.

- The Chair would like to give a shout out to Susan DeMarois, Director, CDA and what she brings for having been with the committee for so long. We’re excited that she’ll be continuing at a greater capacity.

- We as a committee would really like to see some sort of common metric from Agency to Agency to kind of understand how things are being implemented or impacted that the services are having in our communities.

- The committee would like to make mention of the informative data report and how that data can be a good driver of future decisions for what is needed in California as it is helpful, well-presented and a wealth of good data. We’d encourage the report to be updated periodically so the data can stay current and continue to inform Agency’s action.

- The Alzheimer’s Advisory Committee continue to be interested in learning about the programs and providing feedback to the Secretary about the effectiveness of programs.

6. **Discussion: 2022 Meeting dates, review of 2021 committee priorities, and setting committee priorities for 2022**

**Committee Members**

- Proposed 2022 Dates: March 10th, June 9th, September 8th, and December 8th, 2022. Meetings will continue to be in Zoom format and pending the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Focus on the three key themes: 1. Identification 2. Integration 3. Investment for the meeting on March 10, 2022 and set committee priorities for the rest of 2022.

- Revisit issues that continue to need addressing and improving:
  - Vaccination
  - Mental Health Services and preparedness of the EMS to account for the needs of people with dementia and their caregivers
- Some counties have programs like LA Found but need a comprehensive program statewide

7. Meeting Adjourns & Public Comment

The Chair adjourned the meeting.

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