



**Elder & Disability Justice Coordinating Council (EDJCC) Meeting
February 14, 2023**

(AUTOMATED ZOOM CAPTIONING TRANSCRIPT)

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. AND WELCOME TO THE CALIFORNIA ELDER AND DISABILITY JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL. WE'RE HERE FROM ONE PM. TO 4 PM. TODAY WE WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR JOINING US. AND JUST TO GO THROUGH A COUPLE OF LOGISTICS WHILE EVERYBODY IS COMING INTO THE MEETING ROOM.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): YOU CAN JOIN US BY SMARTPHONE TABLET OR COMPUTER. HERE ON ZOOM. THE NUMBERS HERE ARE DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN TO JOIN THE AUDIO BY TELEPHONE NUMBER. THE MEETING ID IS 8 4 4 6 3 1 8 OR 0 3 6.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): WE HAVE LIVE CAPTIONING THAT'S ACCESSIBLE ON THIS WEBINAR THROUGH ZOOM. SO, IF YOU JUST TOGGLE DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF YOUR SCREEN AND CLICK ON THE MORE. HAVE A BUTTON DOWN THERE. YOU CAN CHOOSE THE LANGUAGE OF YOUR CHOICE.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): WE ALSO HAVE AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE, INTERPRETATION, LIVE JOINED RIGHT NOW BY TULIP, AND LATER ON WE'LL BE MEETING BYRON AS WELL, AND THEY'LL BE GOING BACK AND FORTH WITH US TODAY.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): ALL OF THESE SLIDES, RECORDINGS AND TRANSCRIPTS ARE GOING TO BE AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO ACCESS AFTERWARDS ON THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. THE JCCC WEB PAGE, AND WE ALSO SEND THEM OUT IN OUR WEEKLY EMAIL RECAPS OF EVENTS. WE'LL ALSO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT AVAILABLE TODAY. SO, TIME IS RESERVED FOR THAT. AND WE JUST ASK THAT EVERYONE TRY TO RESPECT THE 2 MIN THAT'S ALLOCATED FOR EACH PUBLIC COMMENT.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): YOU CAN USE THE Q. AND A. FUNCTION TO ASK YOUR QUESTION, OR YOU CAN SELECT THE RAISE HAND, ICON, WHICH IS ALSO LOCATED AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR ZOOM SCREEN. I'LL BE ABLE TO CALL ON YOU AT THAT TIME AND UNMUTE YOUR LINE, AND YOU'LL HAVE TO UNMUTE YOURSELF ONE MORE TIME. IT'S A LITTLE BIT OF A DOUBLE PROCESS.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): IF YOU'RE JOINING BY PHONE AND DON'T HAVE A ZOOM SCREEN TO PRESS THE Q. A. YOU CAN PRESS STAR 9 ON YOUR DIAL PAD TO RAISE YOUR HAND. AND THEN I'LL CALL IT THE LAST 4 DIGITS OF YOUR PHONE NUMBER OR YOUR NAME, WHICHEVER IS VISIBLE TO ME, AND THEN YOU CAN MAKE YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM TODAY YOU CAN ALWAYS EMAIL, ENGAGE AT AGING. CA.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): AND SO, JUST TO REVIEW THE COUNCIL'S PURPOSE. THE GOAL OF THE ELDER AND DISABILITY JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL IS TO INCREASE COORDINATION AND DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT AND ADDRESS THE ABUSE, NEGLECT, EXPLOITATION, AND FRAUD PERPETRATED AGAINST OLDER ADULTS AND ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): AND SO JUST GIVING A QUICK OVERVIEW OF TODAY'S AGENDA. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS FROM CDA DIRECTOR, SUSAN DE MAROIS. IN A MOMENT/ WE'LL GO THROUGH THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING UPDATES. GO OVER THE CONSERVATORSHIP WORK GROUP. SET ASIDE SOME TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. TAKE A SHORT BREAK, GO THROUGH THE LEGAL SERVICES WORK GROUP. HAVE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THEN REVIEW THE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES WORK GROUP. MORE PUBLIC COMMENT AND THEN CLOSING AND NEXT STEPS.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): SO NOW IT'S MY PRESENT PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE CDA DIRECTOR, SUSAN DEMAROIS WHO'S ALSO THE STATE CO-CHAIR ALONG WITH ERIC DOWDY FROM THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MEGAN, FOR OPENING UP THE MEETING, AND WELCOME TO EVERYBODY TODAY. HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY WHO'S WEARING RED ON THE SCREEN. GO AHEAD AND LET US KNOW WHO'S WITH US TODAY IN THE CHAT. WE WANT TO SEE WHO'S JOINING. I'M. VERY EXCITED TO RESUME OUR WORK TODAY. THIS IS OUR FIRST MEETING IN 2023.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: AND IT'S JUST INCREDIBLE TO THINK THAT THIS COUNCIL WAS ESTABLISHED JUST ONE YEAR AGO. AND ALREADY WE'RE, GAINING SO MUCH TRACTION AND BUILDING MOMENTUM ON A FEW CRITICALLY IMPORTANT ISSUES. AS TODAY'S AGENDA REFLECTS, RELATED TO ELDER AND DISABILITY JUSTICE.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: WE FEEL VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE SO MANY ADVOCATES AND EXPERTS ASSEMBLED ON THIS COUNCIL. IN FACT, I'M CONVINCED THAT IT'S WHY WE'RE ABLE TO MAKE PROGRESS AS A STATE, AND WHY WE HAVE MADE SO MUCH TRACTION AND GAIN MOMENTUM IN JUST A YEAR. SO PLEASE KNOW HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE YOUR TIME TODAY. EVERYONE WHO'S JOINING US, AND ALSO YOUR TIME BETWEEN MEETINGS. I THINK THAT'S THE SECRET TO A SUCCESSFUL STAKEHOLDER, COMMITTEE, OR COUNCIL IS TO BE MEETING IN BETWEEN MEETINGS, AND YOU HAVE ALL CERTAINLY DONE THAT. SO, WE THANK YOU FOR KEEPING THEM WORK MOVING FORWARD BETWEEN MEETINGS.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT 2 AREAS TODAY BEFORE WE JUMP INTO THE AGENDA. THE FIRST AREA IS CDAS WORK. THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING, AND THE SECOND WOULD BE OUR STAKEHOLDER WORK. SO JUST A FEW THINGS I WANTED TO SHARE WITH THE GROUP WHILE WE'RE ALL ASSEMBLED

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: FIRST OFF. WITH RESPECT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING'S CAPACITY BUILDING, WE'VE MADE INCREDIBLE PROGRESS THIS YEAR. WE ARE SO PROUD THAT CDA HAS HIRED ITS FIRST ELDER ABUSE SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT. RANJANA MAHARAJ, WHO IS JOINING US TODAY, AND REGINA WRIGHT, OUR PUBLIC GUARDIAN, LIAISON.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: RANJANA AND REGINA BOTH ARE WITH US TODAY, AND YOU'LL BE WORKING CLOSELY WITH THEM IN THE YEAR AHEAD AND GET TO KNOW THEM THROUGH TODAY'S AGENDA AND THE WORK GROUPS. LAST MONTH WE SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED THE OFFICE OF THE PATIENT REPRESENTATIVE, OPR. LED BY SUSAN RODRIGUES. TO SUPPORT UNREPRESENTED RESIDENTS IN 1,200 SKILLED NURSING AND INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES IN OUR STATE

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: IN LESS THAN A MONTH, NOT EVEN 30 DAYS. WE'VE ALREADY RECEIVED 90 REFERRALS AND PERFORMED 6. INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM ASSESSMENTS. SO, THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE PROVIDERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO HAVE HELPED MAKE THIS THE OFFICE OF THE PATIENT REPRESENTATIVE KNOWN, AND TO ACCESS THE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO YOU. NOW.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: I WANT TO SAY WE HAVE CLOSE TO 400 REGISTERED IN OUR DATABASE, AND THAT'S THE FIRST POINT OF ENTRY TO BE TO ACCESS THE IDTS. WE ALSO RECENTLY ENTERED INTO A CONTRACT TO BUILD STATEWIDE BEST PRACTICES AND TRAINING WITH JUSTICE AND AGING, JUSTICE AND AGING, IS THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDER TO THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR ELDER LAW AND RIGHTS, AND WE'RE VERY EXCITED TO GET THAT WORK STARTED.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: WE'RE ALSO QUITE PROUD TO BE IN THE VERY EARLY STAGES OF A COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE. WE RECEIVED A FEDERAL GRANT JOINTLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, THE DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION AND THE STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES TO ALIGN OUR WORK MORE CLOSELY, AND THAT'S REALLY JUST IN ITS INFANCY, BUT HAS A LOT OF POTENTIAL, AND WE'RE EXCITED TO BEGIN THAT

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: SHIFTING NOW TO OUR STAKEHOLDER WORK AT THE DAY OF ACTION, AND I KNOW MOST MEMBERS OF THIS COUNCIL WERE IN ATTENDANCE, AND CERTAINLY YOU WERE WELL REPRESENTED. THAT DAY. WE RECEIVED 3 VERY THOUGHTFUL AND SUBSTANTIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL RELATIVE TO ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES. PUBLIC GUARDIAN AND PUBLIC CONSERVATORSHIP PROGRAMS AND LEGAL SERVICES.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: YOU WERE HEARD ON SEPTEMBER TWENTIETH, BY ALL WHO WERE IN ATTENDANCE, INCLUDING CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY SECRETARY, DR. MARK GHALY. REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, CABINET AGENCY OFFICIALS, STATE DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS, LEGISLATORS AND LEGISLATIVE STAFF IN THE CHAT. FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT YET THOROUGHLY REVIEWED THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING 20232024 NEW INITIATIVES. THERE ARE 95.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: IF YOU DIDN'T KNOW THAT I WANT TO CALL SPECIAL ATTENTION TO A FEW THAT REFLECT ON THIS COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES, AND I HOPE YOU SEE YOURSELVES AND YOUR WORK REFLECTED IN THESE INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE 66 67 68, AND 69 RELATED TO LEGAL SERVICES, RESOURCES, DEVELOPMENT, APS, RESOURCES, APS TRAINING AND PROBATE GUARDIANSHIP FUNDING.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: SO PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT THOSE, AND IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY. AND NOW, BEFORE WE MOVE INTO OUR AGENDA, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE AND WELCOME A FANTASTIC NEW ADDITION TO STATE SERVICE AND TO TODAY'S MEETING.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: JIM TREGIARI, THE NEW ADMINISTRATOR FOR APS ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES AT THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES HAS JOINED US TODAY. WELCOME, JIM. JIM WILL

PLAY A PROMINENT ROLE IN DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS RELATED TO APS GOING FORWARD. WE'RE SO DELIGHTED THAT YOU'RE HERE TODAY, AND THAT YOU'RE HERE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, JIM.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: I ALSO WANT TO THANK ERIC DOWDY FOR SERVING AS OUR COUNCIL'S STAKEHOLDER CO-CHAIR. ERIC HAS CERTAINLY LOGGED MANY HOURS IN SUPPORT OF THIS GROUP, ESPECIALLY DURING THE DAY OF ACTION, AND PREPARING FOR THAT AND WE'RE MOST APPRECIATIVE OF HIS LEADERSHIP AND INSIGHTS AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION. SO THAT CONCLUDES MY OPENING REMARKS, AND I NOW AM PLEASED TO TURN THE AGENDA OVER TO JACKIE TOMPKINS. OUR SENIOR STRATEGISTS FOR THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING AT THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. THANK YOU, SUSAN. MY NAME IS JACKIE TOMPKINS. I AM A NEW EMPLOYEE WITH CDA, BUT SO GRATEFUL TO BE HERE THIS AFTERNOON ON BEHALF OF THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING. I'M GOING TO WALK THROUGH A FEW MILESTONES THAT HAVE HAPPENED THIS PAST MONTH

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: RELATED TO THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING. FIRST, SUSAN ALLUDED TO IT. WE DID RELEASE THE MPA. ANNUAL REPORT FOR ITS SECOND YEAR, AND FOLLOWING MY SPEAKING SESSION, I'LL BE SURE TO GET ALL THE LINKS IN THE CHAT LOG. SO, YOU ALL HAVE ACCESS TO THESE REPORTS AND RESOURCES IF YOU HAVE NOT SEEN THEM YET. BUT THIS NEW REPORT DOES HIGHLIGHT THE PROGRESS ACROSS ALL THE 5 BOLD GOALS OF THE MPA. AND IT ALSO INCLUDES SOME LOCAL HIGHLIGHTS, AS WELL AS LEGISLATIVE WIDTHS ALSO, WHICH I'LL DELVE INTO A LITTLE BIT MORE. THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING DID RELEASE ITS 2023 TO 2024 PRIORITY INITIATIVES. THIS CONTINUES TO DELIVER RESULTS FOR OLDER ADULTS, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND CAREGIVERS.

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AND THEN, LASTLY, WE'RE ALSO PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE MPA. RELEASED AN MPA. IMPLEMENTATION TRACKER. THIS ESSENTIALLY IS A PUBLIC FACING DATABASE TO TRACK ALL THE MPA'S PROGRESS TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACROSS OUR 5 BOLD GOALS AND 23 STRATEGIES LOOKING AT THE 2023, THE 2024, MPA. INITIATIVES A LITTLE BIT MORE. THIS CONTINUES TO BUILD ON THOSE 5 BOLD GOALS, AND IT THEY'LL BE THE IMPLEMENTED THROUGH MULTI-SECTOR PARTNERSHIPS. INCLUDING THE GOVERNOR'S, CABINET.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: PHILANTHROPIC ORGANIZATIONS UNIVERSITIES AND THE LEGISLATURE THESE INITIATIVES, DO BUILD ON THE PAST WORK OF THE PRIOR 2 YEARS ADVANCING PERSON-CENTERED EQUITY FOCUSED AGE AND DISABILITY-FRIENDLY POLICY PROGRAMS SERVICES AND RESEARCH.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: NEXT, I WANTED TO DELVE A LITTLE BIT DEEPER INTO THE MPA IMPLEMENTATION TRACKER AS I SHARED. THIS IS A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE TRACKER. SO USERS ACROSS THE STATE, AND THE NATION CAN SEARCH FOR PROGRESS ON THE VARIOUS INITIATIVES OF THE MPA. YOU CAN SEARCH BY LEAD AGENCY, MAYBE A SPECIFIC DEPARTMENT OR A TOPIC AREA.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: AND WE DO WANT TO THANK OUR PARTNERS AT THE WEST HEALTH INSTITUTE FOR THEIR COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PUBLIC-FACING BUT IMPLEMENTATION TRACKER. ON THE NEXT SLIDE IT SHOWS A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT WHAT THE TRACKER LOOKS LIKE.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: SO, THIS SHOWS YOU AGAIN THE DIFFERENT FILTER OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN LOOK THROUGH AGAIN BY GOAL, STRATEGY, OR BY AGENCY OF INTEREST AS WELL AS SOME KEYWORDS.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: AND YOU CAN ALSO ONCE YOU FIND YOUR DESIRED SEARCH OUTCOME; YOU CAN ALSO DOWNLOAD THE RESULTS SO CURRENTLY ON THE MPAS IMPLEMENTATION TRACKER. WE HAVE ALL THE UPDATES FROM THE 2021 TO 2022 INITIATIVES.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: AND THEN, AS THE YEAR PROGRESSES AND WE'RE MAKING SUCCESS IN PROGRESS ON THE NEW INITIATIVES. THOSE UPDATES WILL ALSO BE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE FOR ALL OF YOU AS WELL. SO, I HOPE THAT YOU ALL TAKE A MOMENT TO CHECK THAT OUT. AND ALSO, IF THERE ARE SOME FEEDBACK OR GLITCHES, WE'RE VERY OPEN TO OBTAINING YOUR FEEDBACK ON HOW THE IMPLEMENTATION TRACKER IS WORKING FOR YOU. SO PLEASE LET US KNOW.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: AND THEN FINALLY, I DID WANT TO SHARE WITH THIS GROUP THAT WE ARE VERY EXCITED, THAT VERY SHORTLY WE ARE GOING TO BE RELEASING A REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS FOR OUR LOCAL AGING AND DISABILITY ACTION PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM.

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: SO UNDER THIS GRANT PROGRAM WE ANTICIPATE THAT CDA WILL BE ABLE TO SUPPORT UP TO 36 COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE STATE TO HELP THOSE LOCAL COMMUNITIES DEVELOP THEIR OWN AGE AND DISABILITY-FRIENDLY ACTION PLANS. THE PLANS THAT ARE DEVELOPED UNDER THIS GRANT PROGRAM ARE REALLY DESIGNED TO STRENGTHEN THE COMMUNITY'S LIVABILITY AND ADDRESS THE CURRENT EMERGING AND FUTURE NEEDS OF OLDER ADULTS. PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AS WELL AS PROFESSIONAL AND FAMILY CAREGIVERS. WE'RE LOOKING FOR OUR LOCAL PLANS LIKE THE MPA TO BE CROSS SECTORAL, AND REALLY BE ABOUT MAKING TRANSFORMATIONAL SYSTEMS CHANGE

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JACKIE TOMPKINS - CDA/MPA: THE GRANT PROGRAMS, GOALS ALSO ALIGN WITH OUR MASTER PLAN FOR AGING, AND OUR STATE'S COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND ACCESSIBILITY. WE'RE LOOKING AGAIN TO RELEASE THIS REALLY SOON. ON THIS SLIDE I DID PROVIDE THE GRANT WEB PAGE, BUT WE WILL ALSO BE SENDING OUT ANNOUNCEMENTS ONCE THAT RFA. IS RELEASED, AND I'LL PUT AGAIN THE WEB PAGE IN WHICH THE RFA. WILL BE RELEASED IN THE CHAT AFTER MY TALK TODAY. SO, I WILL TURN IT OVER TO SARAH STEENHAUSEN, OUR CDA DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OUR DIVISION OF POLICY, RESEARCH AND EQUITY, AND ALSO ABLE TO TAKE QUESTIONS IF NEEDED.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: THANK YOU SO MUCH, JACKIE. THANK YOU. EVERYONE FOR THAT WONDERFUL INTRODUCTION INTO THE WORK OF THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING AND FOR THE INTROS, AS WELL FROM OUR COUNCIL CO-CHAIRS AT THIS POINT, UNLESS THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS. PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: OTHERWISE, I DON'T SEE ANY. SO, I'M GOING TO TURN IT NOW OVER TO FOCUS ON THE WORK OF OUR CONSERVATORSHIP WORK GROUP. I'M SO PLEASED TO INTRODUCE YOU ALL TO REGINA WRIGHT, WHO, AS SUSAN NOTED, IS OUR NEW STATE PUBLIC GUARDIAN LIAISON, WHO WILL START US OFF ON THIS DISCUSSION. THANK YOU, REGINA.

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REGINA WRIGHT: HI, EVERYONE, SARAH, THANK YOU FOR THAT INTRODUCTION. SO, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MYSELF. I AM THE NEW STATE PUBLIC GUARDIAN LIAISON FOR THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING. I'M NEW TO THE ROLE. I STARTED THE WEEK OF THANKSGIVING. AND I'M TRYING TO GET AWARENESS THAT CDA NOW HAS THIS ROLE, AND IT'S TAKING SORT OF LIKE THE FIRST REAL MAJOR STEP INTO BEING INVOLVED IN CONSERVATORSHIP.

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REGINA WRIGHT: AND WE'RE HOPING TO HAVE SOME INFORMATION ABOUT MY ROLE POSTED ON THE CDA WEBSITE. SO, I'M JUST GONNA GIVE YOU SORT OF LIKE WHAT MY ROLE IS HERE, SO YOU CAN KNOW IT FOR YOURSELVES AND HOPEFULLY SHARE IT WITH OTHERS.

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REGINA WRIGHT: SO, THE STATE PUBLIC GUARDIAN LIAISON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING PROGRAM, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE TO DEPARTMENT LEADERSHIP. CONDUCTING RESEARCH AND COLLABORATING WITH INTERNAL AND START EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS TO HELP FORMULATE STRATEGIES, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF AN ACCESS TO PROBATE CONSERVATIVESHIPS STATEWIDE WITH THE GOAL OF PROTECTING VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS FROM ABUSE, NEGLECT, EXPLOITATION, AND SELF NEGLECT.

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REGINA WRIGHT: SO, IN THIS CAPACITY I'LL BE DOING A LOT OF OUTREACH TO STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING THE PUBLIC GUARDIANS AT THE COUNTY LEVEL, AND SO PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO INTRODUCE YOURSELF. AND PERHAPS WE COULD MEET ONE ON ONE. MY EMAIL ADDRESS WHILE IT'S NOT POSTED IS JUST MY NAME, REGINA DOT, WRIGHT AT CDA. SORRY@AGING.CA.

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REGINA WRIGHT: SO PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO CONNECTING WITH EVERYBODY. I JUST WANT TO SAY BRIEFLY, SO. THE FOCUS OF THE CONSERVATORSHIP WORK GROUP IS GOING TO BE ON AB 1,663 AND SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING. AND I'M GOING TO ALLOW SARAH TO SORT OF INTRODUCE OUR NEXT SPEAKER.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: GREAT THANK YOU SO MUCH, REGINA. I REALLY APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU, AND WE'RE SO PLEASED TO HEAR RIGHT NOW FROM AARON CARRUTHERS, WHO'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND AARON IS GOING TO WALK US THROUGH A HIGH-LEVEL OVERVIEW OF SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING, AND REALLY HOW IT INTERSECTS WITH THE WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE. SO, THANK YOU, AARON, AND WELCOME.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): SARAH. THANK YOU SO MUCH, AND THANK YOU TO REGINA AND TO CATHERINE FOR BEING ON THE PANEL TOGETHER. SARAH, I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY. I CAME PREPARED TO TALK ABOUT 1663 OVERALL, AND GIVE A HIGH-LEVEL OVERVIEW OF THE LEGISLATION WHICH INCLUDES SUPPORT, DECISION, MAKING, AND STATUTE, AND ALSO THE SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WHICH HAPPEN THROUGH LEGISLATION, YOUR INTEREST THAT I SHOULD JUST TALK ABOUT SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: IF YOU WANT ME TO REFOCUS I CAN.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): AND AS THAT'S BEING SET UP, I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I RECOGNIZE AND RESPECT TO THE GREAT DEPTH OF EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE THAT MANY MEMBERS OF THIS COUNCIL HAVE, AND MANY MEMBERS WHO ARE ATTENDING HAVE. IF MY PRESENTATION, THE INFORMATION I'M GIVING IS VERY HIGH LEVEL.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): IT'S BECAUSE IT'S MEANT TO BE. TOUCH A LITTLE BIT ON EVERYTHING TO COVER IT, AND THEN WE CAN GO INTO DETAILS OR CONVERSATION AFTERWARDS. BUT IF THERE IS SOMEBODY WHO DOESN'T HAVE THAT SAME LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE, THEN THIS WILL BE REALLY EFFECTIVE LEVEL SETTINGS, SO THAT WE'RE ALL STARTING FROM THE SAME PLACE.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): THANKS SO MUCH FOR THE PERMISSION. AND I WILL BEGIN TO THANK YOU. SO. AS MANY KNOW AGAIN. VERY HIGH LEVEL, 2 TYPES OF CONSERVATORSHIPS, PROBATE AND LANTERN AND PETRA SHORT SO UNDER PROBATE, WHICH IS THE FOCUS OF THIS WORK GROUP, IT'S MOST LIKELY FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. DEMENTIA. OR OTHER AGE-RELATED DISABILITIES. IT. THE CONSERVATIVESHIP CAN BE IMPOSED OVER THE PERSON OR THE ESTATE, SO ON THE PERSON IT'S ABOUT MAKING CHOICES ABOUT FOOD, CLOTHING, SHELTER, HEALTH, CARE, OR OVER THE ESTATE WHICH IS ABOUT FINANCES. THE CONSERVATORSHIP CAN BE COMPLETE. COVERING ALL ASPECTS OF RIGHTS AND DECISION MAKING, OR IT COULD BE LIMITED TO SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF RIGHTS OR DECISION MAKING.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): OUR EXPERIENCE IS THAT THIS IS VERY DIFFICULT TO END FUNCTIONALLY, SOMETIMES JUST DESCRIBED AS PERMANENT OR FUNCTIONALLY PERMANENT. AND THE POWER GIVES THE CONSERVATOR A WIDE RANGE OF DECISIONS AFFECTING THE CONSERVATIVE'S LIFE.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): IN CONTRAST, THE LPS OR LINER AND PETRA SHORT, IS FOR PEOPLE WITH LIKE OFTEN USED FOR PEOPLE WITH PSYCHIATRIC DISABILITIES. IT ALLOWS A PERSON TO BE PLACED IN A PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY INVOLUNTARILY AND IS TEMPORARY FOR THE FOCUS OF THE WORK GROUP. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT PROBATE CONSERVATORSHIPS.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): AN EFFORT TO REFORM PROBATE SIR CONSERVATORSHIPS WAS BY, I DONE BY ASSEMBLY MEMBER MAIN SHINE. I'M WITH AB. 1,663 HE INTRODUCED THIS IN JANUARY OF 2,022. THE LEGISLATURE PASSED IT. AND THE GOVERNOR SIGNED IT BOTH IN SEPTEMBER OF 2,022 AND IT'S IMPORTANT TO LAY OUT AND REVISIT SOME OF THE VALUES IN THE LEGISLATION THAT WERE INCLUDED THROUGH THE FINDINGS AND DECLARATIONS. AND THAT'S THE ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES OR OLDER ADULTS ARE PRESUMED COMPETENT TO MAKE DECISIONS REGARDING THEIR DAY TO DAY HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL RIGHTS, UNLESS OTHERWISE DETERMINED THROUGH LEGAL PROCEEDINGS. SO, WE START OFF WITH THE PRESUMPTION OF COMPETENCE AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS INTO CLEAR OTHERWISE ADULTS, TO THE BEST OF THEIR ABILITY, AND WITH SUPPORTS THEY CHOOSE, SHOULD BE ABLE TO BE INFORMED ABOUT HOW THE AND INFORMED ABOUT AND PARTICIPATE IN MANAGEMENT OF THEIR OWN RESPONSIBILITIES.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): AND MOVING FORWARD WITH THOSE FINDINGS, DECLARATIONS, AND VALUES.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): THE LEGISLATION ORGANIZED ITSELF FOR THE AUTHOR OF THE LEGISLATION COMMUNICATED ABOUT HOW THE LEGISLATION WAS ORGANIZED TO REFORM CONSERVATORSHIP, PROBATE, CONSERVATIVE SHIPS THROUGH DEFLECTION. DIVERSION, DISSOLVING AND DECIDING. SO, I'LL GO INTO EACH OF THOSE INDIVIDUALLY OF THE 4 PROBATE CONSERVATIVE SHIP REFORMS FIRST IS TO SELECT.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): SO THAT IS, TO ESTABLISH SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING AND ROB TO SEE SUPPORTED. DECISION MAKING IS A LESS RESTRICTIVE OPTION, AND TO CREATE THE SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. IMPORTANT NOTE HERE THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. IT WAS NOT CREATED THROUGH THE LEGISLATION. IT WAS CREATED THROUGH BUDGET, BUT FOR PURPOSE OF CONVERSATION. I'M. PUTTING THEM TOGETHER HERE. THE SUPPORTIVE DECISION-MAKING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, OUR GRANTS TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO PROMOTE THE SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING PRACTICE.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): THE NEXT CONSERVATIVE SHIP REFORM IS DIVERT. AND REQUIRES ALTERNATIVES TO BE CONSIDERED BEFORE BY COURTS BEFORE ESTABLISHING A CONSERVATORSHIP. AND REQUIRES ASSESSING A PERSON'S ABILITIES AND CAPACITIES WITH SUPPORTS

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): THE NEXT REFORM IS DISSOLVED, PROVIDE CONSERVATIVES WITH UNDERSTANDABLE INFORMATION THAT DESCRIBES THEIR RIGHTS. AND WHO TO CONTACT, IF THEY WISH TO CHANGE, OR IN THE CONSERVATIVE SHIP. THIS ALLOWS THE COURTS TO TERMINATE A CONSERVATIVE SHIP WITHOUT A HEARING. IF BOTH THE CONSERVATOR AND CONSERVATIVE AGREE TO THE TERMINATION.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): THE LAST OF THE 4 PROBATE CONSERVATORSHIP REFORMS IS DECIDE IF IT REQUIRES CONSERVATORS TO CONSULT WITH AND MAKE DECISIONS ALIGNED WITH THE CONSERVATIVES COMMUNICATED WISHES ALSO APPLIES AN ORDER OF PREFERENCE TO WHO WOULD BE A CONSERVATOR TO ENSURE THE COURT FIRST CONSIDERS FAMILY MEMBERS OR OTHER TRUSTED INDIVIDUALS AS CONSERVATORS.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): SO THOSE ARE THE REFORMS WITHIN THE LEGISLATION AROUND PROBATE CONSERVATORSHIP. THE OTHER POINT, AS SARAH MENTIONED, IS THAT IT PUTS INTO STATUTE AND DEFINES WHAT IS IT? WHAT ARE YOU MAKING? AND DEFINES SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING AS INDIVIDUALIZED PROCESS OF SUPPORTING AND ACCOMMODATING AN ADULT WITH A DISABILITY TO ENABLE THE ADULT TO MAKE LIFE DECISIONS WITHOUT COMPLETING THEIR SELF DETERMINATION.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): INDIVIDUALS MAY CHOOSE TO HAVE SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING AGREEMENT, WHICH IS VOLUNTARY. A NON-BINDING AND WRITTEN AGREEMENT SHOULD BE IN PLAYING LANGUAGE WHICH IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE ADULT WITH A DISABILITY. AND IT COULD INCLUDE IMAGES, BE READ ALOUD. BE A VIDEO OR AUDIO RECORDING.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): IN ADDITION TO THE WRITTEN VERSION FROM THE DISORDER SUPPORTIVE DECISION-MAKING DEFINITION, THERE IS A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THAT IS THERE TO SUPPORT EXPANSION OF SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING THROUGHOUT THE STATE. THIS WAS AN ACTIVE THROUGH THE BUDGET. IT'S A 5,000,001 TIME DOLLARS. THAT'S DIVIDED INTO 2 SECTIONS. THE FIRST SECTION IS 3 MILLION SPECIFIED FOR COMMUNITY GRANTS.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): THIS WOULD INCLUDE GUIDANCE, ASSISTANCE, AND TRAINING TO EDUCATIONAL ENTITIES. FAMILIES, SERVICE, PROVIDERS. PROFESSIONALS. PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. COURTS. ATTORNEYS, AND MEDIATORS. THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. IT ALSO IS TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OR TA ON ALTERNATIVES TO CONSERVATORSHIP. AND TO PROVIDE TRAININGS AND SUPPORTS ON THE USE OF SUPPORTED DECISION, MAKING HOW MUCH CONSIDERS TAILORED ACCESS.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): NONVERBAL, COMPLEX, AND SIGNIFICANT DISABILITIES. THOSE LACKING NETWORKS OR SUPPORTS TO HELP MAKE DECISIONS AND MAKING CONSIDERATIONS FROM PEOPLE FROM DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES. AND SO THAT'S IT.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): VERY AMBITIOUS LIST FOR 3 MILLION DOLLARS. BUT AT LEAST LAYS OUT AND CREATES A STRUCTURE FOR WHAT IS HOPE TO BE ACCOMPLISHED. WITH THIS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, IT ALSO STATES REALLY THE NEED OF THE UNIVERSE OF WHERE SUPPORTING THIS YOU'RE MAKING CAN BEST BE IMPLEMENTED.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): IT ALSO SAYS 2 MILLION DOLLARS SHOULD BE USED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF THIS PROGRAM. ALRIGHT. WE'RE THE ENTITY, THE STATE COUNCIL AND DEVELOPMENT OF STABILITY IS THE ENTITY TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM, AND CAN TELL YOU WE'RE NOT GOING TO NEED 2 MILLION DOLLARS WHOLY TO SUPPORT IT TO ADMINISTER IT. SO WE'RE LOOKING AT WAYS TO USE THAT 10 MILLION DOLLARS FOR STATEWIDE RESOURCES AND THE CREATION OF BEST PRACTICES.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): SO, THANK YOU SO MUCH, SARAH. THAT IS MY BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE LEGISLATION SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING AND A SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: AARON. THAT WAS A FANTASTIC OVERVIEW IN FACT, IT'S ONE OF THE CLEAREST I'VE SEEN ON MAYBE 1,663, AND I'VE ALREADY SEEN REQUEST FOR YOUR SLIDES. SO, WHAT I INDICATED IS THAT UNLESS THERE ARE ISSUES OTHERWISE, WE WILL TAKE ALL THE SLIDES AND MAKE THEM ACCESSIBLE, AND THEN PUT THEM UP ON OUR WEBSITE. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT. I THINK IT. IT REALLY GETS US A GOOD GROUNDING IN THE WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE AND THE DIFFERENT ISSUES TO CONSIDER. SO, WE HAVE A FEW MINUTES FOR QUESTIONS BEFORE WE TURN IT OVER TO CATHERINE BLAKE. MORE. AND I SEE HOWARD QUESTION FROM YOU.

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HOWARD MCBROOM: YEAH, THANK YOU ALL. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I AM EXTREMELY PLEASED TO HEAR THAT THERE WILL FIND ONE PATH, AND THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS SIGNED IT IN THE WALL. THIS IS A REPORT THAT LONG OVERDUE. AND I'M VERY THANKFUL TO YOU AND ALL OF THE REST OF YOU FOR HELPING TO MAKE THAT YOUR REALITY, SINCE IT'S GOING TO CHANGE A LOT OF PEOPLE LIVE. I WOULD LIKE TO STAY OFF ALL THAT. SO, I HAVE A COME. EXCUSE ME. SO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO MIGHT WANT TO BE PART OF A CONTRIBUTORSHIP. AND THAT SO ADVOCATES, I THINK IT'S SO, BECAUSE WE'LL ALSO BE A GOOD FOLKS INTO TALK TO. AND THEY WILL CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND WHAT IT WOULD BE TO BE ON THE CONSERVATIVE SHIP. SO I'M VERY PLEASED TO HEAR THAT THIS HAS BEEN DONE THAT YOU HAVEN'T PASSED.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): THANK YOU SO MUCH, HOWARD. YES, GO AHEAD, AARON.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): AND SIMILAR MAIN SHINES LEADERSHIP FOR THE LEGISLATURE'S APPROVAL FOR THE GOVERNOR'S APPROVAL. BUT WE ALSO GOT TO GIVE CREDIT TO YOU, TO HOWARD AND THE MANY OTHER SELF ADVOCATES WHO CAME FORWARD TO SAY, THIS IS A PRIORITY, AND THIS IS NEEDED. THANK YOU.

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HOWARD MCBROOM: THANK YOU FOR YOUR CALLING COMMENTS. AND WE WILL CONTINUE WORKING TOWARD OUR GOAL

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: ABSOLUTELY. AND THAT'S WHY THE WORK OF THIS WORK GROUP IS SO IMPORTANT, AND WHY WE'RE THRILLED TO HAVE REGINA, WHO CAN COORDINATE AND FACILITATE THESE DISCUSSIONS, MOVING FORWARD, BECAUSE, AS YOU KNOW, THIS WAS A VERY HIGH-LEVEL OVERVIEW, AND THERE'S MANY DIFFERENT ISSUES AND ANGLES TO CONSIDER. SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: IF THERE ARE NO OTHER QUESTIONS REGARDING AARON'S PRESENTATION, I'M. REALLY HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO INVITE CATHERINE BLAKEMORE, AND HER CAPACITY AS CHAIR OF THE

CALIFORNIA ALZHEIMER'S, AND RELATED DISORDERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THIS IS THE ISSUE OF SUPPORTIVE DECISION-MAKING IS SOMETHING THAT THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE HAS BEEN DISCUSSING IN IN RELATION TO INDIVIDUALS WITH COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT AND A RELATED ALZHEIMER'S OR DEMENTIA. SO, CATHERINE IS GOING TO KIND OF PROVIDE SOME COMMENTS AND THINKING, AND FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE, AND OF COURSE, CATHERINE HERSELF HAS SUCH A TREMENDOUS BACKGROUND AS FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF DISABILITY RIGHTS, CALIFORNIA, AND REALLY UNDERSTANDS THIS ISSUE FROM A RANGE OF PERSPECTIVES. SO.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: AFTER CATHERINE'S PRESENTATION, WE REALLY WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM OUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE ON THE CONSERVATOR, WORKSHOP, OUR WORK GROUP, AND WHAT YOUR THOUGHTS ARE, WHAT ARE YOUR REACTIONS IN IN ALL AREAS, AND SOME CONSIDERATIONS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT. SO, WITH THAT I'M PLEASSED TO INTRODUCE CATHERINE.

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: THANKS SO MUCH, AND IT'S JUST TERRIFIC TO BE HERE. I FEEL LIKE THIS GROUP REPRESENTS KIND OF THE COMING TOGETHER OF LOTS OF DIFFERENT WORK I'VE DONE IN MY LIFE, AND IT'S NICE TO SORT OF KNOW MANY OF YOU AND SEE MANY OF YOU. I WAS A LEGAL AID LAWYER FOR A LONG TIME, AND SEVERAL OF YOU ARE FROM THAT, AND I'VE DONE A LOT OF WORK IN THE INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY SPACE. AND THEN MORE RECENTLY IN THE AGING SPACE, AND REALLY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH YOU, MANY OF YOU ON THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING, AND IN SOME OTHER CAPACITY. SO, I THINK THAT LEADS ME TO. AS I WAS THINKING ABOUT THIS, TO REFLECT ON THE INTERSECTIONALITY BETWEEN DISABILITY AND AGING WHICH THIS GROUP REALLY BRINGS TOGETHER.

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: AND WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER, AND HOW WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY BORROW THE BEST PRACTICES FROM DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE NOT ALWAYS WORKED AS CLOSELY AS THIS OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS. SO, I FIND THE WORK THAT YOU'RE ABOUT TO EMBARK ON VERY, VERY IMPORTANT AND SIGNIFICANT. I ALSO COME TO THIS BECAUSE I PROVIDE CAREGIVING TO MY MOM, WHO HAS DEMENTIA. AND IT IS IN THAT SPACE THAT

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: I THINK I MOST LEARNED ABOUT AND BEGAN TO APPRECIATE THE POWER OF SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING. AND I WANT TO JUST TAKE A LITTLE TIME TO TALK ABOUT THAT. BECAUSE FUNDAMENTALLY, I THINK EVERY HUMAN BEING WANTS THE DIGNITY TO BE ABLE TO MAKE DECISIONS AND CHOICES ABOUT THEIR LIFE. AND WE'RE FORTUNATE TO LIVE IN A STATE WHERE, YOU KNOW, THOSE VALUES ARE REALLY ENSHRINED IN OUR CONSTITUTION AND IN OUR AND MANY OF OUR STATUTES. AND I WAS ABLE TO USE SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING BEFORE. IT WAS REALLY SOMETHING THAT EXISTED IN STATUTE AS A WAY TO. WHEN I WAS GOING TO MY MOM'S DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENTS WITH HER OR WORKING WITH CARE. STAFF REALLY HELP HER MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT WHAT SHE, WHAT SHE WANTED, AND THAT I THINK IT CAUSES ME TO THINK ABOUT CAPACITY IN A

VERY DIFFERENT KIND OF WAY, I THINK OFTEN CAPACITY HAS BEEN THOUGHT OF. EITHER YOU HAVE CAPACITY OR YOU, DON'T. AND THAT'S THE SORT OF DISCUSSIONS THAT OFTEN HAPPEN IN COURTS WHEN WE'RE THINKING ABOUT CONSERVATORSHIPS, ARE YOU COMPETENT TO MAKE DECISIONS OR AREN'T? YOU COMPETENT TO MAKE DECISIONS? AND REALLY WHAT I'VE LEARNED THROUGH MY WORK AS A LAWYER AND WORKING WITH MY MOM IS THAT

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: IT? IT REALLY IS MORE OF A RANGE OF DECISIONS THAT PEOPLE CAN MAKE, AND THAT OUR CHALLENGE, I THINK IS TO FIND WAYS THAT WE CAN SUPPORT PEOPLE AT EACH STAGE IN THE LIGHT IN THEIR LIFE, TO MAKE THE KINDS OF DECISIONS THAT THEY WANT, THE CHOICES THAT THEY WANT TO MAKE.

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: AND THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE SHOULDN'T BE AWARE OF PROTECTIONS, AND HOW WE ENSURE PEOPLE AREN'T ABUSED OR NEGLECTED, OR THE VICTIMS OF FRAUD. BUT IT MEANS THAT WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT THOSE THINGS TOGETHER, AND NOT THINK ABOUT THEM AS ONE OR THE OTHER. ONE OF THE ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S VERY SIGNIFICANT IN 1663 IS SORT OF A RANGE OF PROTECTIONS AND GUARD RAILS IN THE SUPPORTED DECISION, MAKING SPACE THAT I THINK ARE ALSO HELPFUL FOR YOU FOR YOU TO FOR YOU TO CONSIDER.

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: SO, I, WHEN I WAS THINKING ABOUT JUST SOME THINGS THAT I HOPE YOU WILL THINK ABOUT AS YOU'RE DOING YOUR WORK ARE THINGS SUCH AS LIKE. HOW DO WE LEARN FROM EACH OTHER? WE HAVE A LOT IN COMMON IN THE AGING AND DISABILITY COMMUNITY.

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: THERE IS A TREMENDOUS NEED FOR EDUCATION OF EVERYONE INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, INDIVIDUALS, FAMILY MEMBERS, CARE, PROVIDERS, PROFESSIONALS, AND THESE NEW CONCEPTS, I THINK, ARE IMPORTANT TO FIND WAYS TO TALK ABOUT THAT HAVE MEANING TO EACH OF THOSE GROUPS. AS I SAID, LET'S THINK WE THINK, WHAT DOES CAPACITY MEAN?

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: HOW DO WE THINK OF CAPACITY IN A MORE FLUID KIND OF WAY, EVEN FOR PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA? WE CAN. WE CAN START WITH SOMEONE WHO MIGHT NEED SOME NOT SIGNIFICANT HELP ALL THE WAY UP TO PEOPLE WHO NEED FAR MORE SIGNIFICANT HELP, OR MAY BE A SUBSTITUTE DECISION MAKER. AND THEN LET'S THINK ABOUT THE RANGE OF WAYS THAT WE CAN SUPPORT PEOPLE IN MAKING DECISIONS. THE NEW MODEL THAT'S NEW TO CALIFORNIA, BUT NOT OTHER PLACES OF SUPPORTED DECISION, MAKING ALTERNATIVES LIKE ADVANCED HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES THAT HONOR PEOPLE'S, CHOICES, THAT THEY'VE MADE IN THEIR LIFE

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: SO, SUBSTITUTE DECISION MAKERS. BUT WAYS IN WHICH THOSE CAN BE LIMITED TO SPECIFIC KINDS OF DECISIONS, AND THEN LIMITED CONSERVATORSHIPS THAT AARON

MENTIONED IN HIS PRESENTATIONS, AND HOW THE IDEA OF A LIMITED CONSERVATORSHIP MIGHT BE EXPANDED TO OLDER ADULTS, SO THAT IT'S NOT JUST A YES, YES OR NO. YOU NEED A CONSERVATOR, BUT MAYBE YOU WOULD NEED A CONSERVATOR TO HELP IN ONE AREA, AS HAPPENS IN THE IDD CONSERVATORSHIP PROCESS AS OPPOSED TO A CONSERVATORSHIP FOR EVERYTHING. SO THOSE ARE THOSE ARE THINGS THAT ARE NEAR AND DEAR TO MY HEART, AND I HOPE THAT AS YOU DO YOUR WORK, YOU'LL THINK OF THOSE, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING THE OUTCOMES.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: OKAY, THANK YOU SO MUCH. THAT'S A WONDERFUL FRAMING FOR US, CATHERINE, PARTICULARLY IN THINKING ABOUT. YOU KNOW SOME OF THE CONSIDERATIONS FOR HOW SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING MIGHT APPLY TO INDIVIDUALS WITH ALZHEIMER'S AND RELATED DEMENTIA. AND AT THIS POINT WHAT I WOULD LOVE TO DO IS PUT US IN GALLERY MODE. I DON'T THINK WE NEED THE I DON'T THINK WE NEED THE SLIDE RIGHT NOW.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: AND SO, WE WANT TO REALLY HEAR FROM OUR MEMBERS OF THE CONSERVATORSHIP WORK GROUP. AS CATHERINE SAID, THIS IS NOT NECESSARILY. THIS IS A VERY NUANCED ISSUE. WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT HOW YOU APPLY THE CONCEPT OF SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING ACROSS POPULATIONS, AND IT'S SUCH AN AMAZING OPPORTUNITY FOR CALIFORNIA TO BE ENGAGING IN AND LEADING IN THIS SPACE. SO WOULD WELCOME, YOU KNOW, ANY OF YOUR INPUT AND COMMENTS ON THIS. SO, IT LOOKS LIKE WE DO HAVE A QUESTION RIGHT NOW. I'D LIKE TO TURN IT TO AARON.

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AARON CARRUTHERS (HE, THEY): THANK YOU, SARAH. I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S A QUESTION. I THINK IT'S MORE OF HONORING SOME OF THE DISCUSSION THAT HAPPENED WITHIN THE WORK GROUP AS KATHERINE BLAKE WERE MENTIONED. YOU KNOW PART OF THIS CONVERSATION IS LOOKING AT THE INTERSECTION OF AGING AND DISABILITY, OR AGING AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY. BUT I ALSO WANT TO HONOR THE CONVERSATION HAPPEN WITHIN THE WORK GROUP THAT WAS ABOUT THE DISTINCTIONS BETWEEN AGING AND DISABILITY, AS IT RELATES TO CONSERVATORSHIP, THE NEED FORUM, THE CONTINUUM OF EXPERIENCE THAT CATHERINE TALKED ABOUT, AND ALSO HOW SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING COULD WORK DIFFERENTLY OR BE NEEDED DIFFERENTLY, DEPENDING UPON AGING OR DISABILITY. SO, IN MY PRESENTATION I DIDN'T WANT TO IMPLY GLOSSING OVER A REALLY IMPORTANT, HELPFUL CONVERSATION SO RAISING THAT FIRST THANK YOU

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: DEFINITELY, REALLY IMPORTANT. AND WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM THOSE MEMBERS OF THE WORK GROUP AND THE DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES, AND I'M PLEASD TO SEE THAT WE'RE HERE JOINED BY JANIE WHITEFORD AND JANIE. YOU HAVE A COMMENT OR A QUESTION.

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THANKS VERY MUCH, SARAH, JANIE WHITE FORD WAS.

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JANIE WHITEFORD: AND LOOKING AT IHSS. I'M. JUST THRILLED TO HEAR THIS, BECAUSE WE ARE LOOKING AT WITH IHS. SO MANY SENIORS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES COMING IN. WE HAVE NOT SEEN BEFORE, PARTICULARLY WITH DEMENTIA AND ALZHEIMER'S. AND KNOWING THAT YOU KNOW, WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WHEN WE HAVE PROVIDERS WHO DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS PROCESS. WE WANT THESE FOLKS TO BE ABLE TO STAY AT HOME. WE WANT THEM TO BE ABLE TO BE LEAD THE LIVES THAT THEY WANT TO LIVE. BUT THIS CONCEPT OF SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING NEEDS TO BE PRESSED OUT THERE WITH OUR SOCIAL WORKERS, WITH THE DEPARTMENT. IT REALLY NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT FROM FAMILY MEMBERS. WE KNOW SO MANY OF OUR FOLKS HAVE AS THEIR PROVIDERS FAMILY MEMBERS, AND THIS IS A CONCEPT WHICH IS NEW TO SO MANY PEOPLE. BUT THE EDUCATION PIECES. AS WAS ALREADY MENTIONED, I THINK, IS HUGE, AND I'M JUST THRILLED TO SEE THIS. THANK YOU.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: THANK YOU SO MUCH, JANIE, AND PARTICULARLY WITH YOUR PERSPECTIVE AS IN THE IHSS PROGRAM. IT'S REALLY HELPFUL TO HEAR THAT ANGLE. AND SO, WE HAVE HOWARD, AND THEN LISA NUREMBERG. SO, HOWARD.

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HOWARD MCBROOM: OKAY, THANK YOU AND I WANTED TO SHARE THAT. I THINK IT'S A GREAT PROGRESS, AND WE ALSO NEED MORE EDUCATION TO MAKE PEOPLE REAL TO CHECK, BECAUSE A PERSON MIGHT NOT BE CONFIDENT IN ONE AREA DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN THAT THEY ARE INCOMPETENT IN ALL AREAS. YOU KNOW. AND PEOPLE HAVE THEIR STRENGTH AND WEAKNESSES. AND WE SHOULD TRY TO INCREASE THEIR STRENGTH AND INQUIT THEIR WEAKNESSES AND TRY TO SEND THEM FOR A WEEK AND WE ALSO NEED TO ADVOCATE TO FOR MORE. WE TURNED INTO A MAGICAL COLLABORATION OF ALZHEIMERS AND DEMENTIA.

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HOWARD MCBROOM: WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CURE THESE THINGS, BUT SURELY, WE CAN COME UP WITH A BETTER DRUG THAT WILL ENABLE PEOPLE TO REGAIN THAT AND WE PARTNER WITH THME AND MAKE THEM BETTER ABLE TO MAKE DECISIONS FOR THEMSELVES. I THINK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE, TOO.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: THANK YOU, HOWARD. YEAH, CERTAINLY ILLUMINATES THE IMPORTANCE OF DOUBLING DOWN ON ALL OF OUR EFFORTS TO TRY AND FIND A CURE FOR ALZHEIMER'S THAT WOULD BE INCREDIBLE, AND THE PHARMACEUTICAL INTERVENTIONS. BUT UNTIL WE HIT THAT SPACE. I THINK THIS COULD BE A TOOL TOO. AS YOU SAID, YOU KNOW, THINK ABOUT HOW WE MIGHT APPROACH THE NEEDS OF THIS POPULATION, AND RECOGNIZING THERE'S A VARIETY OF PERSPECTIVES ON THAT AND IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS THAT WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM THE COMMITTEE ON, AND I'M REALLY PLEASED THAT WE'VE BEEN JOINED BY LISA NUREMBERG, AND SO IF YOU COULD INTRODUCE YOURSELF AND GO AHEAD, AND WE WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS.

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LISA NERENBERG: SURE, HI! THERE, I'M LISA NERENBERG. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA ELDER JUSTICE COALITION, AND I WANT TO ECHO AARON'S COMMENTS ABOUT THE RICHNESS OF THE DISCUSSION THAT WE HAD IN THE CONSERVATORSHIP WORK GROUP. I THINK IT WAS.

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LISA NERENBERG: IT'S A REALLY GREAT DISCUSSION, AND ONE OF THE THINGS I REALLY APPRECIATE IT. THAT I HAVEN'T SEEN VERY OFTEN IS A DISCUSSION ABOUT SOME OF THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN DISABILITY RIGHTS, COMMUNITY AND THE AGING COMMUNITY, AND THIS THE AREA OF CONSERVATORSHIP IS ONE WHERE I THINK SOME OF THOSE DIFFERENCES REALLY BECOME VERY SIGNIFICANT.

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LISA NERENBERG: AND YOU KNOW, AS WE TALK ABOUT, YOU KNOW, SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING. I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT'S AN IDEAL THAT A LOT OF US, YOU KNOW, CERTAINLY ASPIRE TO HAVING MORE OF. BUT THE REALITY IS THAT WE KNOW VERY LITTLE ABOUT IT IN IN THE ARENA OF OLDER ADULTS.

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LISA NERENBERG: YOU KNOW THE KINDS OF DECISIONS THAT PEOPLE ARE ASKED THAT NEED TO BE MADE WHEN SOMEBODY IS, YOU KNOW, 90, AND IS STARTING TO HAVE PROBLEMS AND HAS AN ESTATE AND FAMILY MEMBERS FIGHTING OVER IT. AND THOSE KINDS OF THINGS CAN BE, YOU KNOW, MUCH MORE COMPLICATED, I THINK, THAN WE THINK OF IN TRADITIONAL SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING. I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT REALLY NEEDS TO BE TALKED ABOUT ALSO, THE YOU KNOW, WHILE LEAST RESTRICT LESS RESTRICTIVE ALTERNATIVES, IS ALSO SOMETHING THAT IS KIND OF A MANTRA IN OUR FIELD. THAT THAT'S SOMETHING WE LOOK AT.

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LISA NERENBERG: WE DON'T HAVE A LOT IN IN, YOU KNOW. PEOPLE TALK ABOUT HAVING ADVANCED DIRECTIVES AS BEING AN ALTERNATIVE. WELL, IT'S AN ADVANCED DIRECTIVE. IF YOU HAD ONE EARLIER, WHEN YOU KNOW, BEFORE YOU BECOME INCAPACITATED. BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF PROBLEMS WITH THE KINDS OF YOU KNOW, THE KINDS OF ISSUES THAT PEOPLE ON THE GROUND ARE DEALING WITH ON A DAY TO DAY BASIS, WHERE YOU KNOW YOU SOMEBODY IS HAVING THEIR ASSETS DRAINED, THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS DRAINED, OR THEY'RE LEFT IN THE HOSPITAL, BECAUSE NOBODY HAS DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY TO READMIT THEM INTO A FACILITY, AND WE DON'T HAVE THESE SHORT-TERM KINDS OF INTERVENTION. SO, AS WE TALK ABOUT.

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LISA NERENBERG: YOU KNOW, IN REFORMING CONSERVATIVE SHIP, A BIG PART OF IT REALLY NEEDS TO BE MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE THOSE ALTERNATIVES, AND WE ALSO TALK ABOUT LIMITED AND TEMPORARY CONSERVATORSHIP THAT THEY'RE NOT REALLY LIMITED AND TEMPORARY IN THE SENSE THAT THEY'RE OFTEN NEEDED. THEY'RE VERY LIMITED IN THEIR LIMITED SCOPE. SO, I JUST WANTED TO PUT THOSE OUT THERE

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: REALLY IMPORTANT PERSPECTIVES THAT YOU'RE OFFERING ME. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND HOW GREAT TO HAVE JAMES TRIGGIARI HERE, WHO ALSO HAS A BACKGROUND AS A LEGAL AID PROVIDER HIMSELF. SO, JIM, WELCOME IN YOUR NEW ROLE AS STATEWIDE APS ADMINISTRATOR, AND WOULD WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS ISSUE AS WELL.

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YEAH, THANK YOU SO MUCH. THIS IS JUST SUCH A REALLY EXCITING SPACE TO BE IN, AND SUCH A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO BE THINKING ABOUT WAYS TO DO THIS BETTER, I MEAN, I JUST ECHO A LOT OF THE

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JAMES TREGGIARI: THOUGHTS OF PREVIOUS SPEAKERS, AND I'D LIKE TO JUST POINT OUT. YOU KNOW I'LL BE SPEAKING LATER BECAUSE I'M THE CHAIR OF THE APS SUBCOMMITTEE. BUT I AM ATTENDING ALL 3 WORK GROUPS, LEGAL SERVICES, CONSERVATORSHIP AND APS. AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY IN RECOGNITION OF THE INTERCONNECTED NATURE OF WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. YOU KNOW, DURING THIS CONVERSATION I'M HEARING AND THINKING ABOUT THE MANY IDEAS IN MANY WAYS THAT APS WORKERS COULD PLAY CRITICAL ROLES IN SUPPORTING ALTERNATIVES SUPPORTING THIS, YOU KNOW DIFFERENT TYPES OF SUPPORT, AVOIDING CONSERVATORSHIPS.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: YOU KNOW. I KNOW FROM MY PREVIOUS ROLE IN BEING DIRECTLY PART OF LEGAL AID, HOW IMPORTANT A ROLE LEGAL SERVICES PLAYS, AND ALL OF THIS. AND SO JUST TO KNOW THERE'S SEVERAL OF US I WOULD KNOW TO THOSE LISTENING THAT ARE ON A LOT OF 2 3 OF THESE COMMITTEES, AND REALLY UNDERSTANDING AND RECOGNIZING THAT, HAVING THIS CONVERSATION NOT BE SEPARATE, BUT HAPPENING ALL IN THE SAME SPACE AS I REALLY THINK, AN INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY MOVING FORWARD.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: YEAH, COULDN'T AGREE MORE. I THINK IT JUST THE INTERCONNECTEDNESS OF THE ISSUES ACROSS THE WORK GROUP AND REALLY ACROSS THE SYSTEM, EVEN BEYOND THIS COMMITTEE, RIGHT? AND I THINK THAT THESE FULL COMMITTEE MEETINGS PROVIDE A GREAT TIME TO KIND OF BRING TOGETHER THE ISSUES THAT ARE DISCUSSED IN THE SUBCOMMITTEES AND FIGURE OUT WHERE THE ALIGNMENTS ARE AND WHERE THE BROADER SYSTEM ISSUES ARE. SO, WE'RE JUST REALLY PLEASED TO HAVE YOU ENGAGED IN THIS CONVERSATION WITH THE RANGE OF PERSPECTIVES YOU BRING ON IT

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: COMMENTS FROM OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS OR THOUGHTS, OR AS WELL AS YOU KNOW, IF ANY OF OUR STAFF WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT. OH, GOOD CARLA! WELCOME!

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CARLA PERSSINOTTO: I'M SORRY I'M LIKE AS WHAT MANY OF US. PROBABLY WE'LL KIND OF ASKING AND TRYING TO ADDRESS PATIENT ISSUES WHILE BEING HERE BUT TRYING TO STAY PRESENT. SO, I I'VE SET THIS BEFORE IN SOME OF OUR SUBGROUPS, BUT I'M REALLY EXCITED TO THINK ABOUT WHEN WE CAN AVOID CONSERVATORSHIPS.

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CARLA PERSSINOTTO: AND I'VE ALSO, IN MY OWN EXPERIENCE AS A GERIATRICIAN AND WORKING PEOPLE WITH ADVANCED MEMORY, LOSS AND NEURO COGNITIVE DISORDERS. ONCE APS IS INVOLVED SOMETIMES IN THEIR SEVERE FORMS OF DIFFERENT PARTS OF NEGLECT. I REALLY WORRY ABOUT OUR OVER RELIANCE ON SELF DETERMINATION.

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CARLA PERSSINOTTO: AND FORGETTING AND NOT UNDERSTANDING HOW NEURO-COGNITIVE DEFICITS AFFECT DECISION, MAKING AND UNDERSTANDING THE RISKS AND BENEFITS, AS I OFTEN TELL SOME OF MY PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES. YOU KNOW WE'RE ADULTS. WE'RE ALLOWED TO MAKE BAD DECISIONS AS LONG AS WE UNDERSTAND THE IMPLICATION OF THOSE DECISIONS. IT'S A REALLY SLIPPERY SLOPE, AND I'M JUST WORRIED

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CARLA PERSSINOTTO: ABOUT YOU KNOW HOW TO FRAME THE DISCUSSION. HOW TO EDUCATE OUR APS WORKERS WITH YOUCS THAT HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH IN TERMS OF UNDERSTANDING NEURO-COGNITIVE DISORDERS, AND HOW THEY BACK DECISION-MAKING CAPACITY AND WHERE CONSERVATIVE SHIPS ARE NEEDED

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: REALLY IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION. AND, CARLA, WOULD YOU MIND, I KNOW THAT IF YOU COULD KIND OF GIVE THE BACKGROUND ON WHAT YOUR PROFESSIONAL CAPACITY IS JUST FOR THE

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CARLA PERSSINOTTO: I'M. A GERIATRICIAN AND PALLIATIVE MEDICINE POSITION, SO WORKED IN HOME, BASED CARE FOR OVER A DECADE. CURRENTLY, ALSO, WORK IN HOSPICE, AND SO LARGE SPECTRUM OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF ABUSE OVER MY CAREER. LARGE SPECTRUM OF COGNITIVE DISORDERS FROM EARLY ONSET TO VERY ADVANCED. AND SO, I'VE SEEN THE FULL GAMUT. I'M. ALSO, A RESEARCHER ON THE EFFECTS OF LONELINESS AND ISOLATION AND OLDER ADULTS. AND THERE'S CLEARLY. CLEARLY SOME OVERLAP THERE WITH ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND MANY DIFFERENT THINGS. AND WHAT HAPPENS WHEN PEOPLE ARE UN BEFRIENDED? ADULTS AND DON'T HAVE OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS, OR ARE OUR FRIENDS AS ADVOCATES?

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: THANK YOU SO MUCH. WOW! THERE'S YOU. YOU HAVE A LOT OF EXPERIENCE. IT'S APPLICABLE TO MUCH OF WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON RIGHT NOW, SO WE'RE SO GLAD TO HAVE YOU AS PART OF THIS CONVERSATION, AND YOU KNOW SOMETHING THAT STRIKES ME ALONG WITH CATHERINE AND AARON AND OTHERS HAVE BEEN SAYING, IS WE ALL RECOGNIZE THE GREATER GOAL,

WHICH IS, OF COURSE. ENABLING PEOPLE TO HAVE THE GREATEST ABILITY TO MAKE THEIR OWN DECISIONS AND SELF DETERMINATION AND RECOGNIZING THAT OF THE WHOLE BROADER COMMUNITY. NOT EVERYBODY, IS THE SAME, AND THERE CAN BE VERY MUCH NUANCES, AND HOW WE APPROACH IT. SO I THINK, AS WE.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WE REALLY DIVE INTO THESE ISSUES IN THIS WORK GROUP. THESE ARE SUCH IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS, AND WHAT WOULD BE IDEAL IS IF THERE'S A WAY TO GET TO? YES, BUT ALSO PROVIDE THE SAFEGUARDS, SO THAT WE ARE ENSURING THAT THAT THOSE WHO ARE SUBJECT TO POTENTIAL ABUSE HAVE THEIR RIGHTS HAVE THEIR NEEDS PROTECTED. OF COURSE, THAT'S SO CRITICAL, SO BLANCA. WONDERFUL TO HAVE YOU HERE.

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BLANCA CASTRO: THANK YOU. SO, I JUST WANTED TO POSE THIS QUESTION IN THAT. AS WE USE THE WORD CONSERVATIVE SHIP. AND I'M. REALLY SPEAKING FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF SOMEBODY WHO IS HISPANIC AND TRYING TO EXPLAIN THIS IN A IN IN SPANISH IT'S ACTUALLY A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT WORD IS SO. WHAT KIND OF CARE OR GUARD GUARDIAN DO YOU GIVE? SO, IT'S MORE OF A GUARDIANSHIP. BUT I WOULD. I WAS WONDERING IF THERE WAS DISCUSSION AROUND EXPLAINING CONSERVATIVE SHIP IN A WAY THAT YOU COULD CLEARLY DELINEATE. WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN POWER OF ATTORNEY AND CONSERVATORSHIP? BECAUSE WHEN WE'RE WORKING WITH RESIDENTS IN IN THE LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES. AND THEY DO HAVE, YOU KNOW, DIFFERENT LEVELS OF COGNITIVE UNDERSTANDING, AND SOMETIMES EVEN JUST DIFFERENT LEVELS. DURING ONE DAY. THIS IS A REALLY GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO

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BLANCA CASTRO: USE FOR OMBUDSMAN TO USE TO EVEN JUST GIVE THEM SOME LANGUAGE OF THE GROUP THAT WE HAVE. PEOPLE UNDERSTAND IT, BUT THE BROADER PUBLIC.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: THANK YOU SO MUCH, BLANCA. AND JUST SO. AND FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DON'T KNOW BLANCA CASTRO IS OUR STATE LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN, AND OF COURSE, THE OMBUDSMAN. THEY PLAY SUCH A CRITICAL ROLE IN WORKING WITH AND ADVOCATING, OR I KNOW THAT'S NOT THE CORRECT WORD SUPPORTING THE RIGHTS OF RESIDENTS OF OUR LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES. SO, BLANCA THANK YOU FOR RAISING THAT QUESTION, AND I SEE THAT CATHERINE HAS HER HAND RAISE, AND THEN, VIVIAN AS WELL. SO.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: CATHERINE AND VIVIAN, IF YOU HAVE RESPONSES TO BLOCK, IS EXCELLENT POINT ABOUT POWER OF ATTORNEY VERSUS CONSERVATORSHIP AND COMMUNICATING IT.

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: I HAVE A I SOMEWHAT BROADER AND CONNECTED POINT TO WHAT BLANCA SAID, WHICH IS, I THINK, THESE ALL HAVE TO BE DESCRIBED AS A RANGE OF DIFFERENT CHOICES, WITH SOME WORKING AT SOME POINTS IN SOMEONE'S LIFE, AND SOME NOT WORKING AT OTHER POINTS.

SO, I SORT OF TALK ABOUT LIKE, YOU KNOW WHAT IS INDEPENDENT DECISION MAKING MEAN WHAT DOES SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING SUPPORT, SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING IS SOMEONE HELPING YOU MAKE A DECISION. THEY'RE NOT MAKING A DECISION FOR YOU. RIGHT? WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT FORMS OF YOU KNOW, SORT OF ALTERNATIVES, OR THE SUBSTITUTE DECISION MAKING WHICH WOULD BE POWER OF ATTORNEY DURABLE? HOW HEALTH CARE YOU CAN DO AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE WHICH GIVES SOMEBODY ELSE THE POWER TO, YOU KNOW, SORT OF IN BETWEEN THOSE THINGS, RIGHT? BUT I FEEL LIKE THE DISCUSSION CAN'T

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CATHERINE BLAKEMORE: JUST FOCUS ON WHAT IS A CONSERVATORSHIP, AS BLANCA WAS SAYING. BUT WHAT ARE THE OTHER THINGS THAT YOU SHOULD HAVE IN PLACE, OR WHAT ARE THE OTHER THINGS THAT SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AT THE SAME TIME, SO THAT WE'RE SORT OF DOING THE RIGHT SUPPORT TO MAKE A DECISION AND KEEP SOMEONE SAFE, DEPENDING ON WHERE THEY WHERE THEY ARE IN THEIR LIFE, SO KIND OF HAVING THAT ALMOST LIKE A TOOLBOX THAT YOU COULD USE TO EXPLAIN TO PEOPLE. HERE'S WHAT THIS IS. HERE'S WHAT THAT IS. LET'S TALK ABOUT. LET'S TALK ABOUT ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT CHOICES.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WONDERFUL IDEA, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY THAT YOU KNOW AS THE STATE COUNCIL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES IS BUILDING OUT THEIR WORK AND THINKING OF THE DIFFERENT TOOLBOXES THAT CAN BE, YOU KNOW, KIND OF INDIVIDUALIZED TOWARDS DIFFERENT POPULATIONS. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT. CATHERINE AND VIVIAN WELCOME.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: HI. SO, I COMPLETELY AGREE THAT I THINK WE DO NEED MORE SPECIFIC DEFINITIONS. I THINK THAT GENERALLY WE TEND TO, AT LEAST IN THE AGING COMMUNITY. WE TEND TO TALK ABOUT THINGS WITHOUT NECESSARILY BEING VERY SPECIFIC ABOUT THE TYPES OF CONSERVATORSHIPS THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, OR THE TYPES OF TOOLS THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, AND THAT CAN BE REALLY CONFUSING TO LAY PEOPLE WHO ARE TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S POSSIBLE FOR THEIR FAMILY MEMBER OR THEMSELVES. SO, I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE ALWAYS MAKE SURE WE'RE VERY PRECISE WITH OUR LANGUAGE WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CONSERVATORSHIPS SPECIFICALLY, BUT ALSO OTHER FORMS OF TOOLS FOR SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING. BUT I ALSO THINK THAT IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT WHEN PEOPLE ARE TALKING TO PEOPLE ABOUT THESE TYPES OF THINGS. WE DISTINGUISH WHAT ARE ACTUAL LEGAL TOOLS AND WHAT ARE NOT, BECAUSE YOU

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: TIPTOE INTO THE REALM OF GIVING PEOPLE LEGAL ADVICE OR THE SITUATION WHERE SOMEONE REALLY DOES NEED LEGAL ADVICE LIKE THEY ACTUALLY REALLY NEED TO TALK TO AN ATTORNEY ABOUT WHAT IS THE BEST TOOL FOR THEIR SITUATION. AND YOU KNOW WE'LL TALK ABOUT IN A LITTLE BIT LATER ABOUT LEGAL SERVICES. BUT I THINK THAT IN EDUCATING PEOPLE ABOUT THE DIFFERENT THINGS THAT ARE THE DIFFERENT OPTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. IT'S IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE PEOPLE ARE CONNECTED AND UNDERSTAND THAT AN ATTORNEY ALSO HAS A SPECIFIC POSITION IN PROVIDING ADVICE AND UNDERSTANDING OF THESE

CONCEPTS BECAUSE THEY ARE LEGAL CONCEPTS LIKE CONSERVATORSHIPS. DO NOT POP UP AT YOUR LOCAL GROCERY STORE LIKE YOU HAVE TO GO TO COURT, FOR THIS IS THIS IS A LEGAL PROCEEDING AND A PROCESS AND THEIR SPECIFIC RULES, AND SO MAKING SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO LEGAL SERVICES SO THAT THEY CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THEM LEGALLY IS REALLY IMPORTANT, AND

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: GETTING THAT ADVICE SO THEY CAN MAKE A REALLY GOOD DECISION ABOUT WHAT THEY WANT TO DO, AND THE LEGAL IMPLICATIONS FOR IT, NOT JUST FOR THEM, BUT ALSO FOR THIRD PARTIES. BECAUSE A LOT OF THIS IMPACTS THE ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE WITH BANKS WITH HEALTH INSURANCE THINGS LIKE THAT, YOU KNOW, SO YOU CAN'T JUST MAKE THAT DECISION IN A SILO.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WONDERFUL POINTS, AND JUST THIS IMPORTANCE OF THE LANGUAGE THAT WE USE, AND HOW THIS IS ALL COMMUNICATED AND UNDER FOR WHAT? WHOEVER THE TARGET AUDIENCE IS, UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN INFORMATION AND MATERIALS VERSUS THE LEGAL REALM. AND WHEN YOU ACTUALLY ENGAGE IN THE MORE SPECIFIC DISCUSSIONS THAT IMPACT CONSERVATORSHIP. AND I THINK ALSO ANOTHER COMMENT THAT'S BEEN RAISED IN CHAT IS ABOUT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT USING PRECISE LANGUAGE ALSO, BEING REALLY MINDFUL OF LINGUISTIC AND CULTURAL RELEVANCE, SO THAT FOR DIFFERENT AUDIENCES THERE MIGHT BE DIFFERENT WAYS TO COMMUNICATE THIS, AND I KNOW THAT, VIVIAN, AS YOUR IN YOUR ROLE AS DIRECTOR OF EQUITY AND ELDER JUSTICE AT JUSTICE AND AGING, THIS IS CERTAINLY PROBABLY SOMETHING THAT YOU HAVE CONFRONTED AS WELL. SO, IT'S WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO JUST BE PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO THAT. AS THIS WORK ROLLS OUT.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: OKAY, WELL, WE HAVE A FEW MORE MINUTES. IF THERE'S OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS. I THINK THIS HAS BEEN A VERY RICH DISCUSSION. IT'S SO NUANCED AND SO CRITICAL IN ADVANCING KIND OF THE CHARGE OF THIS COMMITTEE. SO, I THINK YOU ALL DEFINITELY HAVE YOUR WORK CUT OUT FOR YOU, THAT'S FOR SURE. BUT CERTAINLY, APPRECIATE THE RANGE OF IMPORTANT COMMENTS AND CONSIDERATIONS GIVEN TO THIS TOPIC. REGINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER THOUGHTS THAT YOU WANT TO PASS ALONG IT BEFORE WE CLOSE OUT THIS SESSION.

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REGINA WRIGHT: I JUST LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO THINK AGAIN, AARON CARRUTHERS FOR HIS WONDERFUL PRESENTATION, AND CATHRYN BLAKEMORE FOR HER REALLY INSIGHTFUL JUST COMMENTARY ABOUT HOW THIS HAS THE POTENTIAL LIKE? WHAT IS THE REALM OF POSSIBILITY ABOUT APPLIANCE, SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING TO OLDER ADULTS AS WE SORT OF NAVIGATE. YOU KNOW THE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES OF WHERE PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND OLDER ADULTS LIKE WHAT ARE THE COMMONALITIES, BUT ALSO RESPECTING THE DIFFERENCES. SO JUST REALLY WANNA THINK BOTH OF OUR PRESENTERS, AND I KNOW I GOT A LOT OUT OF IT. I'M SURE EVERYONE ELSE HERE DID AS WELL. SO, THANK YOU

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: ABSOLUTELY DITTO TO THAT AND THANK YOU SO MUCH. AARON AND CATHERINE, AS WELL AS ALL OF OUR MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WHO ARE WEIGHING IN. AND REALLY THIS IS WHY I LOVE THESE WORK GROUPS AND THESE COMMITTEE MEETINGS. BECAUSE WE'RE HERE TO LEARN FROM ALL OF YOU. YOU ALL ARE THE EXPERTS, AND YOU HELP INFORM OUR THINKING AS WE'RE, WE'RE SEEKING TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES AT THE STATE LEVEL. SO, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: OKAY. SO, WITH THAT AT THIS POINT WE ARE GOING TO OPEN IT UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT, AND I WANT TO TURN IT OVER TO MEGAN AGAIN OF OUR CDA TEAM TO HELP US WITH THAT.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): ALL RIGHT, EVERYBODY. I DO SEE ONE PERSON WITH THEIR HAND RAISED RIGHT NOW. SO WHILE PEOPLE ARE DECIDING WHETHER THEY WANT TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT JUST REMINDING YOU IT'S 2 MIN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU CAN USE THE Q. A. FUNCTION AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR ZOOM SCREEN. OR IF YOU'RE ON THE PHONE SIMPLY PRESS STAR 9 ON YOUR DIAL PAD TO RAISE YOUR HAND, AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO SEE YOU.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): SO, I WILL MOVE OVER TO THE CALL LIST RIGHT NOW AND GO IN ORDER OF HANDS RAISED. I SEE JUDY MARK WITH DISABILITY. VOICES UNITED SHE HER. JUDY, I'M GONNA UNMUTE YOUR LINE, AND THEN YOU CAN UNMUTE AS WELL AND MAKE YOUR COMMENT.

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JUDY MARK, DISABILITY VOICES UNITED (SHE/HER): THANK YOU SO MUCH. CAN YOU HEAR ME? OKAY, YES, GREAT. THANK YOU. I'M. JUDY MARK. I'M PRESIDENT OF DISABILITY VOICES UNITED, WHICH IS ONE OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORKED WITH THE STATE COUNCIL TO GET A 1,663 PASSED, AND I APPRECIATE. HAVING AN OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT. I'M ALSO THE PARENT OF A 26-YEAR-OLD SON WITH AUTISM, WHO REQUIRES A MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF SUPPORT EVERY DAY, AND HE WAS NOT CONSERVED. I'M. ALSO, THE DAUGHTER OF A WOMAN WHO DIED AT THE AGE OF 93 WITH ALZHEIMER'S, WHO REALLY REQUIRED SUPPORTS ON EVERY SINGLE POSSIBLE

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JUDY MARK, DISABILITY VOICES UNITED (SHE/HER): MINUTE OF HER LIFE, AND ALSO WAS NOT CONSERVED. AND SO, FOR ME, IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT THAT THIS COMMITTEE UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S. IT'S NOT THERE. THERE'S NOT EVEN AN AREA THAT I BELIEVE WE NEED TO BE CONSIDERING CONSERVATORSHIP, AND I KNOW I MAY BE A RADICAL PERSON IN THIS, BUT I DO NOT EVEN SEE THAT AS THAT THERE SHOULDN'T BE LIKE A CHOICE OF YOU CAN DO CONSERVATORSHIP, OR YOU CAN DO POWERS OF ATTORNEY CONSERVATORSHIP IS THE IS SO EXTREME IT TAKES AWAY THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF PEOPLE THAT THEY HAVE LESS RIGHTS THAN PRISONERS, AND I

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JUDY MARK, DISABILITY VOICES UNITED (SHE/HER): I HAVE TO COMMENT ON WHAT WAS SAID, THAT THERE'S AN OVER RELIANCE ON SELF DETERMINATION FOR SOME PEOPLE. I'VE ACTUALLY NEVER HEARD THAT FREEZE BEING USED, BECAUSE FOR ME. PEOPLE WITHOUT DISABILITIES MAKE BAD DECISIONS EVERY SINGLE DAY WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING THE CONSEQUENCES OF WHAT THEY'RE DOING. AND SO I DON'T KNOW WHY PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES NEED TO BE HELD TO A DIFFERENT STANDARD.

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JUDY MARK, DISABILITY VOICES UNITED (SHE/HER): AND THE OTHER THING I JUST WANTED TO SAY IS THAT JUST BECAUSE YOU CAN SERVE SOMEBODY, IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THEY'RE PROTECTED AGAINST ABUSE OR NEGLECT. IN FACT, STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THAT IN THE IDD COMMUNITY PEOPLE WHO ARE CONSERVED HAVE MUCH HIGHER LEVELS OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT, AND THAT SELF DETERMINATION IS IN IS THE WAY TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM THAT ABUSE AND NEGLECT. AND SO, YOU KNOW, I, WE REALLY HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DISRUPT THIS IDEA, THIS MAINSTREAM VIEW. BECAUSE THE ONLY WAY TO PROTECT SOMEBODY IS TO TAKE AWAY ALL OF THEIR RIGHTS. AND SO, I HOPE I'M. I'M HAPPY TO WORK WITH YOU ALL ON THESE RECOMMENDATIONS COMING OUT OF THIS COMMITTEE, AND REALLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): THANK YOU SO MUCH JUDY FOR YOUR COMMENT. PUBLIC COMMENT, JUDY, I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER HANDS RAISED AT THIS TIME, SARAH.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: SO, AT THIS POINT, UNLESS THERE'S OTHER QUESTIONS, WE CAN MOVE TO A 10 MIN BREAK, AND WHAT'S SUPER EXCITING IS WE ARE AHEAD OF TIME. SO, BECAUSE OF THAT, THAT MEANS WE HAVE FLEXIBILITY IN THE SCHEDULE. SO, IF OTHER AGENDA ITEMS RUN A LITTLE OVER. THAT'S OKAY.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WE'LL JUST KEEP IT MOVING. SO, AT THIS POINT IT'S 2 0 2. LET'S AIM TO COME BACK BY. YOU KNOW WE'LL SAY TWO 12 IS IF YOU COULD BE BACK. WE'LL GET STARTED BETWEEN 2 12 AND 2 15. SO, THANK YOU ALL

SARAH STEENHAUSEN: OKAY, WE WILL GET STARTED IN ABOUT 1 MIN.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: ALL RIGHT. WELL WELCOME BACK TO OUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND TO THOSE WHO ARE LISTENING IN. WE'RE REALLY PLEASED RIGHT NOW TO BEGIN OUR DISCUSSION OF THE LEGAL SERVICES WORK GROUP AT THIS POINT. SO, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE, AND I FIRST WANT TO INTRODUCE RANJANA MAHARAJ, WHO, AS YOU KNOW, IS OUR ELDER JUSTICE, STEP SPECIALIST AT THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING, AND SHE IS LEADING THE WORK OF THE LEGAL SERVICES WORK GROUP. SO WHY DON'T YOU NOT TAKE IT OVER FROM THERE AND THEN WE'LL OPEN IT UP FOR DISCUSSION.

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RANJANA MAHARAJ: PERFECT? THANK YOU, SARAH. HI. MY NAME IS RANJANA MAHARAJ, AND I'M, THE ELDER JUSTICE SPECIALIST, WHICH IS A NEW ROLE AT CDA. MY ROLE FOCUSES ON ELDER JUSTICE INITIATIVES, AND AS A SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT, I'LL BE WORKING WITH MANY OF YOU ON INITIATIVES THAT ADDRESS ELDER ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND EXPLOITATION OF OLDER ADULTS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES. I WILL BE FACILITATING 2 WORK GROUPS OUT OF THE 3 ONE IS LEGAL SERVICES, AND THE NEXT IS APS.

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RANJANA MAHARAJ: I'LL BE WORKING WITH STATE FEDERAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AS WELL AS STAKEHOLDER ADVOCATES AND LEADING THE COORDINATION EFFORTS. I'LL BE SUPPORTING WORK, GROUP DISCUSSIONS, TRACKING OUR PROGRESS AND RECOMMENDATIONS EFFECTIVELY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND ALIGNING OUR GOALS WITH THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING AND FOR A CALIFORNIA FOR ALL. SO, I'M REALLY HUMBLED TO BE HERE.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: THANK YOU SO MUCH. RANJANA AND I WERE SO HAPPY TO HAVE YOU HERE AS WELL. AND NOW IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO OUR FIRST SPEAKER, WHO HAS BEEN VERY ENGAGED IN OUR ELDER AND JUST DISABILITY, JUSTICE, COORDINATING COUNSEL, VIVIAN MBAKU, WHO'S DIRECTOR OF EQUITY AND ELDER JUSTICE AT THE AT JUSTICE AND AGING PREVIOUS VIVIAN. AND SIL VOSSLER, WHO IS AN ATTORNEY WITH THE VOSSLER LAW GROUP TOGETHER, THEY WILL PROVIDE A PRESENTATION ON THE WITH THE LEGAL SERVICES LENS, INCLUDING ON BACKGROUND ON THE LEGAL SERVICES WORK GROUP KEY ISSUES AND NEXT STEPS. SO, WITH THAT I'M. I'M HAPPY TO TURN IT OVER TO VIVIAN AND SIL. THANK YOU.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: THANKS. CAN YOU HEAR ME? OKAY. SO TODAY WE ARE JUST GOING TO DO YOU KNOW, A BRIEF PRESENTATION AND HAVE QUESTIONS AT THE END. BUT WE REALLY WANT TO OPEN UP A DISCUSSION WITH THE INFORMATION THAT WE HAVE NEXT SLIDE.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: SO TO START THIS DISCUSSION IN VIEWING ELDER JUSTICE THROUGH THE LENS OF LEGAL SERVICES. WE WANTED TO JUST GO OVER QUICKLY WHAT? OUR LEGAL SERVICES, WHAT OUR TRIPLE A'S SO THAT WE HAVE A EVERYONE HAS KIND OF A BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE ENTITIES WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SO GENERALLY LOW INCOME CALIFORNIANS. AND THIS IS, YOU KNOW, THIS CAN BE APPLIED NATIONALLY LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS CAN RECEIVE FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE FROM LEGAL AID. ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE AROUND THE COUNTRY

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: AND SO HERE IN CALIFORNIA LOW-INCOME CALIFORNIANS CAN RECEIVE FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE FROM LEGAL AID ORGANIZATIONS. BUT OLDER

ADULTS AND ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES CAN RECEIVE LEGAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THEIR LOCAL CIVIL, LEGAL AID ORGANIZATIONS AND THEIR LOCAL AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND A CIVIL LEGAL AID OR ORGANIZATION IS AN ORGANIZATION, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION OF ATTORNEYS, PARALEGALS, OTHER SUPPORT STAFF THAT CAN HELP OLDER ADULTS WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED ABUSE BY ASSISTING WITH OBTAINING PROTECTIVE ORDERS.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: REVOKING MISS MISUSED POWERS ATTORNEY OBTAINING STOLEN FUNDS, ETC. BUT THEY'RE ALSO ABLE TO ASSIST PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF THE ISSUE JUST OF ELDER ABUSE. THEY CAN ALSO HELP WITH OTHER CIVIL LEGAL ISSUES, LIKE HOUSING ISSUES LIKE FORECLOSURE OR EVICTION. PUBLIC BENEFITS, ISSUES LIKE MEDICAID, MEDICARE, SSDI ELIGIBILITY AND APPEALS AND CONSUMER ISSUES LIKE DEBT COLLECTION.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: BUT IT'S ALWAYS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT THESE PROGRAMS ARE FUNDED BY A VARIETY OF SOURCES, BUT MANY WHO ARE PROVIDING SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF ELDER ABUSE ARE RECEIVING TITLE II. B. FUNDING, AND THAT'S 3 B FROM THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT. AND OR SOME FUNDING FROM LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION, WHICH IS A FEDERAL AGENCY, OR ALL FUNDING FROM THE STATE ARE, AND PRIVATE FUNDING FROM JUST PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS IS SUPPORT THAT THE WORK THAT THEY'RE DOING. I'M NEXT SLIDE.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: SO, AN AREA AGENCY ON AGING IS AN AGENCY DESIGNATED BY THE STATE TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS AND CONCERNS OF OLDER ADULTS AT REGIONAL LOCAL LEVELS. THESE ARE AVAILABLE IN EVERY STATE IN THE COUNTRY, SO THEIR GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE CAN REALLY RANGE. BUT JENNER, MANY AAA ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTRACTING WITH LEGAL AID ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE LEGAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THEIR TITLE 3, THE FUNDING. SO, THEY MIGHT CONTRACT WITH AN EXISTING LEGAL AID ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE THAT LEGAL HELP FOR OLDER ADULTS, OR THEY MIGHT CONFLICT WITH.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: FOR EXAMPLE, LIKE A SOLO PRACTITIONER ATTORNEY IN A RURAL AREA. BUT ANY PERSON OVER 60 YEARS OF AGE, REGARDLESS OF INCOME, CAN GET THESE SERVICES AND THE SERVICES THAT THEY CAN GET REALLY RANGES, BUT GENERALLY CIVIL, LEGAL AID STUFF. SO, A LOT OF THE STUFF THAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT SO DEBT AND CONSUMER RIGHTS ISSUES LIKE IDENTITY THEFT SCANS THAT COLLECTION GENERAL ESTATE PLANNING A HEALTH CARE, PENSION, AND RETIREMENT ISSUES, BUT IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO REMEMBER THAT YOU KNOW THE FUNDING THAT LEGAL AID RECEIVES IS LIMITED. SO, THERE'S ALWAYS GOING TO BE MORE PEOPLE IN NEED OF HELP THAN THERE IS AVAILABLE FUNDING AND ATTORNEYS AND PARALEGALS AND SUPPORT STAFF TO PROVIDE IT. AND THAT'S SOMETHING THAT CALIFORNIA FACES AS AN ISSUE. BUT THAT'S A NATIONWIDE ISSUE. THERE'S ALWAYS MORE LOW-INCOME PEOPLE WHO REALLY NEED ASSISTANCE THAN THERE IS ATTORNEYS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE THAT ASSISTANCE. NEXT SLIDE.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: SO, I ALWAYS LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE SOME INFORMATION, IF YOU KNOW. THINK OH, WAIT! BUT HOW DO I KNOW WHO PROVIDES LEGAL AID IN MY AREA. WHERE IS MY AAA? HOW DO THEY GET LEGAL SERVICES TO OLDER ADULTS IN MY AREA? YOU CAN FIND ALL OF THAT INFORMATION AT THE ELDER CARE LOCATOR, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING THE FEDERAL AGENCY. SO, IT'S ELDER HERE, DOT GOV. AND THEY ALSO HAVE PHONE NUMBER THAT'S THERE, AND THAT YOU CAN JUST PUT IN YOUR ZIP CODE, AND IT WILL COME UP WITH ALL OF THE RESOURCES FOR OLDER ADULTS THAT ARE AVAILABLE IN YOUR AREA, AND THAT WILL INCLUDE LEGAL SERVICES AS WELL

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: NEXT SLIDE.

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SIL VOSSLER: OKAY, SO I'M GONNA JUMP IN. I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN SEE MYSELF, BUT I'M JUST GONNA GO FOR IT. SO SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT ARE FACED BY CLIENTS WHEN OBTAINING LEGAL SERVICES. THE FIRST IS GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITATIONS. I CAN'T. I CAN'T REALLY EXPLAIN HOW MANY TIMES I'VE SEEN THIS ISSUE POP UP PARTICULARLY FOR SENIORS WHO NEED LEGAL SERVICES. FOR EXAMPLE, RECENTLY I SAW A COUPLE OF SENIORS IN. I THINK THEY WERE IN TURLOCK WHO WERE BEING EVICTED, AND THEY WERE UNABLE TO FIND LEGAL HELP, AND A FRIEND OF MINE ACTUALLY HAD TO HELP THEM PRO BONO FROM SAN FRANCISCO, EVEN THOUGH HE'S. YOU KNOW, A PRIVATE LAWYER, YOU KNOW THE SITUATION IS MUCH MORE DIRE FOR SENIORS WHO ARE FACING FINANCIAL ELDER ABUSE. RECENTLY I SAW A CASE WHERE SENIORS WERE UP IN BUTTE COUNTY, AND THEY HAD \$14,000 STOLEN FROM THEM BY AN INSURANCE COMPANY.

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SIL VOSSLER: AND THEY HAD TO GO DOWN TO SAN FRANCISCO TO FIND AN ATTORNEY WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO WRITE A LETTER FOR THEM, AND THEY HAD TO GO DOWN TO SAN DIEGO IN ORDER TO FIND A LAWYER WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO REPRESENT THEM IN THE CASE. IT IS EXTRAORDINARILY DIFFICULT FOR SENIORS TO FIND LOCAL HELP, PARTICULARLY THOSE SENIORS IN RURAL AREAS. LANGUAGE BARRIERS ARE OFTEN AN ISSUE. WHEN I WAS A LEGAL SERVICES ATTORNEY IN SAN FRANCISCO, I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MANY TIMES I HAD CLIENTS COMING IN SPEAKING TAGALOG OR OTHER LANGUAGES. THAT I DON'T SPEAK AND OBTAINING TRANSLATORS, WAS AN ISSUE. IT WAS AN ISSUE OF CLIENT ACCESS.

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SIL VOSSLER: WHETHER IT'S PHYSICAL ACCESS. YOU HAVE CLIENTS WITH MOBILITY ISSUES, CLIENTS WITH COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENTS WHICH MAKE ACCESS TO LEGAL SERVICES, DIFFICULT KNOWLEDGE OF LEGAL ISSUES. THIS COMES UP PARTICULARLY. THIS WAS MENTIONED IN THE STATE PLANNING CONTEXT, WHERE YOU HAVE CLIENTS WHO DON'T REALLY KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN POWER OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE DIRECTIVE.

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SIL VOSSLER: AND WHY THEY WOULD NEED SOMETHING LIKE OH, WELL, OR A TRUST WHICH YOU KNOW I'LL TALK ABOUT A LITTLE BIT LATER. IT IS OFTEN REALLY IMPORTANT FOR SENIORS TO KEEP THEIR WEALTH IN THEIR FAMILY AND KEEP THEIR FAMILY FROM BEING DISPLACED FROM THE COMMUNITY. THEN YOU HAVE CHALLENGES FACING LEGAL AID ORGANIZATIONS, AND THIS IS ALSO A CHALLENGE.

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SIL VOSSLER: THESE ARE INTERRELATED WITH THE CHALLENGES FACED BY CLIENTS. YOU HAVE LIMITATIONS ON AREAS OF LAW. SOME LEGAL AID ORGANIZATIONS ONLY DO EVICTIONS, SOME ONLY DO EMPLOYMENT

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SIL VOSSLER: STUFF. SOME ONLY DO RESTRAINING ORDERS OR CONSERVATORSHIPS, AND THEN FINDING THE RIGHT ORGANIZATION THAT'S GOING TO HELP A SENIOR, THEY COULD HAVE TO GO TO 3 OR 4 OR 5 DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS THEY MIGHT GET REJECTED. YOU KNOW PEOPLE ARE GETTING REJECTED AND TOLD TO GO TO ANOTHER ORGANIZATION. REFERRAL NETWORKS ARE INSUFFICIENT THAT YOU HAVE STAFFING AND FUNDING ISSUES, GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITATIONS. AGAIN, YOU HAVE CERTAIN LEGAL AID ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ONLY HELP PEOPLE IN SPECIFIC OR IN SPECIFIC AREAS. OUTREACH CAN BE AN ISSUE.

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SIL VOSSLER: YOU KNOW A SUBJECT MATTER. IT CAN BE AN ISSUE. HOW DO YOU WORK WITH SOMEBODY WHO HAS COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENTS? AND THEN THIS ONE DOWN AT THE BOTTOM IS, IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT THERE ARE INADEQUATE REFERRAL NETWORKS FOR GETTING FOR GETTING CASES IN THE HANDS OF THE RIGHT PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY WHEN IT COMES TO PRIVATE BAR REFERRALS, BECAUSE, YOU KNOW NOT EVERY CASE IS SUITABLE FOR LEGAL AID INTERVENTION. IF YOU HAVE A FINANCIALLY ABUSED SENIOR, WHO HAD. YOU KNOW ALL THE CASES THAT I HANDLE. FOR EXAMPLE, I DO PREDATORY LENDING, WRONGFUL FORECLOSURE AND LARGE COMMERCIAL FRAUD CASES

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SIL VOSSLER: WHICH, IF YOU HAVE A LEGAL SERVICES GROUP THAT'S GONNA IT'S TOO MANY. IT'S TOO BIG A CASE. IT'S TOO MANY RESOURCES. THOSE CASES NEED TO BE HANDED OVER TO PRIVATE ATTORNEYS, BUT STATE BAR LAWYER REFERRAL NETWORKS ARE INADEQUATE. THEY VERY FEW ELDER LAW PANELS EXIST FOR CASES LIKE THAT. APS AND THE POLICE AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY RARELY MAKE REFERRALS 2 CIVIL ATTORNEYS

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SIL VOSSLER: FINANCIALLY ABUSED SENIORS RARELY KNOW THAT THEY NEED TO GO TO A CIVIL ATTORNEY, AND SO YOU HAVE A LARGE GAP WHERE PEOPLE ARE FALLING THROUGH THE CRACK AND NOT GETTING THE HELP THEY NEED. ONE OF THE CLIENTS THAT I HAVE RIGHT NOW HAD 1.2 MILLION DOLLARS STOLEN FROM THEM.

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SIL VOSSLER: AND HE WENT 2 YEARS, HAVING GONE TO THE POLICE AND APS AND THE FBI, AND NOBODY EVER TOLD HIM THAT HE NEEDED TO CONTACT A CIVIL LAWYER, AND SO HE HAD LOST HIS LIFE SAVINGS. BUT HE'S LANGUISHING IN POVERTY, NOT KNOWING THAT THERE'S SOMEBODY WHO CAN HELP HIM, AND THE CIVIL LAWYER IS THE PERSON WHO CAN DO THAT. AND SO, I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS WE REALLY NEED TO DO AS A STATE IS, BUILD UP THOSE REFERRAL NETWORKS AND MAKE SURE THAT SENIORS WHO ARE REACHING OUT FOR HELP ARE BEING REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP THEM AT NEXT SLIDE.

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SIL VOSSLER: SO, SERVICES THAT ARE NEEDED FOR OLDER ADULTS. COMPREHENSIVE ESTATE PLANNING IS, THIS IS SO IMPORTANT, AND YOU KNOW THERE WAS A PUBLIC COMMENT EARLIER ABOUT HOW YOU KNOW CONSERVATORSHIP IS AN EXTREME AN EXTREME THING, AND YOU KNOW THEY WEREN'T WRONG, YOU KNOW, FOR SO MANY OF THOSE CASES, YOU KNOW, HAD THE SENIOR, WHEN THEY HAD CAPACITY GONE TO AN ATTORNEY AND GOTTEN A POWER OF ATTORNEY DONE. COULD IT COST A COUPLE OF \$100, OR, IF THEY GOT IN THE HANDS OF A LEGAL AID ORGANIZATION. IT COULD HAVE BEEN FREE.

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SIL VOSSLER: YOU KNOW THEY WOULD HAVE SOMEBODY IN PLACE WHO COULD HANDLE THEIR FINANCES, OR WHETHER IT'S AN ADVANCED DIRECTIVE AND MEDICAL DECISION MAKING, HAVE THOSE IN PLACE, AND THEN AVOID THE ENTIRE CONSERVATORSHIP PROCESS WHICH COULD COST TENS OR HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS OF STATE RESOURCES. YOU ALSO HAVE SITUATIONS WHERE SENIORS DON'T NEED KNOW THAT THEY NEED A REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT IN LOW INCOME AREAS LIKE SAN FRANCISCO I WORKED IN. I WORKED IN BAYVIEW, WHERE YOU HAD LOW INCOME, PEOPLE WHO HAD HIGH VALUE HOMES, AND IF THEY DON'T HAVE A REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST, AND THEY PASS AWAY.

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SIL VOSSLER: THEIR STATE NEEDS TO GO THROUGH THE PROBATE SYSTEM. AND THAT COULD COST TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS, AND IN ORDER TO PAY THOSE FOR PROBATE FEES. THE HEIRS NEED TO SELL THE PROPERTY. PAY THE PROBATE FEE, AND NOW THEY'RE FORCED OUT OF THE COMMUNITY. AND SO, YOU HAVE WEALTH BEING TAKEN OUT OF THE HANDS OF LOW INCOME FAMILIES, AND THOSE FAMILIES ARE BEING DISPLACED FROM THE COMMUNITY, BECAUSE THESE FAMILIES DON'T, HAVE ACCESS TO A STATE PLANNING.

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SIL VOSSLER: AND THEN YOU ALSO HAVE THE INCREASED LIKELIHOOD OF CONSERVATORSHIP FOR THOSE FAMILIES WHERE THEY DON'T HAVE POWER OF ATTORNEY OR ADVANCE DIRECTIVES IN PLACE. THERE ARE ALSO THE NEED FOR RESTRAINING ORDERS FOR PHYSICAL ABUSE, HOUSING HELP FOR EVICTION AND FORECLOSURE, FINANCIAL ABUSE, LITIGATION, WHICH IS FREQUENTLY IN THE PURVIEW OF THE PRIVATE LAWYER AND YOU ALSO PROBATE CONSERVATORSHIP AND ALTERNATIVES TO CONSERVATORSHIP. ALL RIGHT, NEXT SLIDE.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: I THINK SO. SO THE SUPPORT NEEDED FOR LEGAL SERVICES, ATTORNEYS. I THINK FUNDING NUMBER ONE REALLY TIES INTO A LOT OF THE THINGS THAT SO WAS TALKING ABOUT. SO, FUNDING LIMITATIONS FOR LEGAL AID. ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS REALLY DICTATES THE TYPE OF WORK THAT IS DONE.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: SO, WHEN THERE IS FUNDING FOR HOUSING AND HOUSING PROTECTION LIKE THEIR HUSBAND. RECENTLY PEOPLE DID THAT WORK BECAUSE THERE'S MONEY THERE TO SUPPORT THE WORK AND HIRE ATTORNEYS. BUT THERE'S NOT REALLY THAT FUNDING FOR OTHER AREAS OF LAW WHERE OLDER ADULTS HAVE MORE OF A FOCUS LIKE A STATE PLANNING AND ALTERNATIVES TO CONSERVATORSHIP, ETC. SO, PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE AREAS OF LAW WHERE WE SEE GAPS IS GOING TO BE REALLY IMPORTANT, BECAUSE ORGANIZATIONS CAN'T OTHERWISE DO THAT WORK.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: ALSO, TRAININGS TO DEVELOP THE LEGAL SKILLS OF LEGAL SERVICES. ATTORNEYS, YOU KNOW. IN ADDITION, PEOPLE AVOID AREAS OF LAW WHERE THEY'RE NOT COMPETENT BECAUSE ETHICAL VIOLATION FOR THEM TO PRACTICE LAW IN AN AREA THAT THEY ARE NOT COMPETENT AND CANNOT PROVIDE COMPETENT SERVICES. SO, WE NEED, YOU KNOW, BUILDING UP THE EXPERTISE OF PEOPLE IN AREAS OF LAW THAT IMPACT OLDER ADULTS. AND ALSO, YOU KNOW, THIS CONNECTS TO THIS LAST POINT, WORKING WITH DIMINISHED CAPACITY CLIENTS WORKING WITH PEOPLE WHO HAVE COGNITIVE ISSUES. THAT'S A SKILL. THERE ARE THINGS THAT YOU KNOW. THERE ARE TOOLS AND RESOURCES FOR ATTORNEYS TO WORK WITH THOSE CLIENTS, BUT CLIENTS CAN BE. EXCUSE ME. ATTORNEYS CAN BE FEARFUL OF WORKING WITH THEM, BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW, LIKE.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: WHAT IS THE CAPACITY OF MY CLIENT? HOW DO I EVEN ASSESS THE CAPACITY OF MY CLIENT. HOW DO I ASSESS WHAT I CAN DO WITH THEM? BUT THERE ARE TOOLS FOR ATTORNEYS AND HELPING THOSE ATTORNEYS DEVELOP THOSE SKILLS IS GOING TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST THOSE OLDER ADULTS. AND THEN, FINALLY, I'M RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AND ALTERNATIVES TO LITIGATION. YOU KNOW. WE'VE TALKED A LOT ABOUT TODAY JUST ALTERNATIVES TO A LOT OF THINGS, A LOT OF LEGAL CONSTRUCTIONS THAT WE HAVE. BUT THE IDEA OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AND ANY ALTERNATIVE TO LITIGATION WITHIN THE ELDER JUSTICE AND OLDER ABUSE REALM IS REALLY NEW, BUT ALSO VERY IMPORTANT. IT'S BEEN APPLIED

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: FOR MANY YEARS IN THE JUVENILE SYSTEM, AND WITHIN THE ELDER JUSTICE ARENA PEOPLE ARE LOOKING AT IT, BUT WE DON'T HAVE A LOT OF TRAINING. THERE'S NOT A LOT OF SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN IMPLEMENTING

THESE TYPES OF PROGRAMS SO REALLY PUTTING IN RESOURCES AND FUNDING FOR ATTORNEYS, SO THEY CAN PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES TO THEIR CLIENTS IS REALLY IMPORTANT. NEXT SLIDE.

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SIL VOSSLER: YEAH, BEFORE I BEFORE I GO INTO THIS, I JUST WANT TO PIG YOU BACK OFF WHAT VIVIAN WAS JUST SAYING TO TALK ABOUT THE ALTERNATIVES TO LITIGATION, AND HOW IMPORTANT THAT IS, BECAUSE, PARTICULARLY WHEN YOU HAVE SENIORS WHO ARE WHO ARE COGNITIVELY IMPAIRED, WHO MAY BE ABUSED BY THE ONLY PERSON IN THEIR LIFE, WHETHER IT'S A CARETAKER OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT, YOU KNOW. IF YOU FILE A LITIGATION AGAINST A CARETAKER, YOU MIGHT END UP. CAUSING A DECREASE IN THE QUALITY OF SERVICES THAT THE SENIOR IS RECEIVING.

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SIL VOSSLER: AND SO, HAVING EFFECTIVE ALTERNATIVES, IS REALLY IMPORTANT, AND TRAINING ATTORNEYS ON WHEN TO SEEK ALTERNATIVES IS REALLY IMPORTANT THEN, AND SO I'LL MOVE ON. SO YEAH. SO, THIS YOU KNOW, THE CALIFORNIA ELDER JUSTICE COALITION PUT TOGETHER ACROSS DISCIPLINARY BLUEPRINT WHICH HIGHLIGHTS A LOT OF THE AREAS THAT ARE REALLY RELEVANT FOR ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION, TALKING ABOUT PARTICULARLY LEGAL SERVICES INTERVENTIONS. AND IT REALLY GOES INTO A GREAT DETAIL ABOUT A LOT OF THE ISSUES WE'VE TALKED ABOUT TODAY, AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU ALL TO GO AND LOOK AT THAT AT THE LINK, PROVIDED. I THINK THAT'S THE SAME SLIDE. YEAH.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: OKAY. WONDERFUL. WOW! AGAIN ONE ANOTHER TERRIFIC SYSTEM OVERVIEW REALLY, LOOKING AT BREAKING DOWN THE WHOLE LEGAL SERVICES SYSTEM, SERVING OLDER ADULTS WITH PEOPLE, WITH DISABILITIES, CHALLENGES FACED BY THE CLIENTS. CHALLENGES FACED BY THE ORGANIZATIONS AND CHALLENGES FACED BY THE ATTORNEYS. AND YOU KNOW I JUST NOTED MANY SIMILAR CHALLENGES, RIGHT FUNDING ACCESS IN TERMS OF GEOGRAPHY IN TERMS OF LANGUAGE, STAFFING ISSUES, THE NEED FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN TERMS OF HOW YOU MIGHT.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WORKING WITH POPULATIONS OF PEOPLE, WITH COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENTS, AND HOW TO DO SO EFFECTIVELY AND JUST THE NEED FOR SUPPORT FOR THE WHOLE NETWORK. SO, THIS IS ALL SUCH AN IMPORTANT DISCUSSION OVERVIEW, AND I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT WE'RE REALLY PLEASED. THE CDA IS DEPARTMENT OF AGING IS WORKING WITH, YOU KNOW. WE REACHED OUT TO THE NATIONAL CENTER ON ELDER LAW AND RIGHTS, WHICH IS STAFFED BY AND THE JUSTICE AND AGING, AND THEY HAVE A GRANT TO REALLY DO A DEEP DIVE AND LOOK INTO CALIFORNIA'S LEGAL SERVICES SYSTEM, AND PARTICULARLY WHERE THE AREAS OF NEEDS ARE IN SUPPORTING ACCESS TO LEGAL SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. SO, THEY'RE JUST BEGINNING THEIR WORK. SOME PEOPLE ON VIVIAN'S

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: TEAM AT JUSTICE AND AGING, AND I KNOW THAT THEY WILL BE REACHING OUT TO THIS COMMITTEE, AS WELL FOR INPUT AND FEEDBACK TO FIGURE OUT HOW THEY MIGHT USE THE RESOURCES IN THIS NEXT YEAR TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE ISSUES, PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

AND REALLY UNDERSTAND WHERE THE CHALLENGES ARE. SO, WE'RE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT. AND NOW I'M SO PLEASED THAT WE HAVE JAMES, RAISING HIS HAND WOULD LOVE TO CALL ON YOU FOR YOUR PERSPECTIVE ON ALL OF THIS, JIM.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: YEAH. GREAT PRESENTATION. SO IN VIVIAN, AND I THINK I REALLY WANT TO LIFT UP, WHICH I THINK YOU KNOW, VIVIAN, REALLY HIGHLIGHT HIGHLIGHTED, IS THAT, YOU KNOW, I THINK WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO IN TERMS OF PUBLIC AWARENESS OF LEGAL INTERVENTIONS. YOU KNOW, I THINK THERE'S A LOT OF STUDIES THAT YOU KNOW. THE PUBLIC EITHER GREATLY REMAINS UNAWARE OF OR UNDER UTILIZES. YOU KNOW POTENTIAL LEGAL INTERVENTIONS, AND ESPECIALLY WHEN WE TALK ABOUT LEGAL REMEDIES. TIMING IS A REALLY IMPORTANT FACTOR. AND SO, YOU KNOW. JAMES TREGGIARI: MOVING THINGS UPSTREAM. SO WE'RE GETTING TO PROBLEMS EARLIER OR BEFORE THEIR PROBLEMS REALLY CAN INCREASE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF LEGAL INTERVENTIONS OVERALL. AND SO, I THINK I REALLY WANT TO LIFT UP KIND OF THAT THAT PUBLIC

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JAMES TREGGIARI: PUBLIC MESSAGING, THAT PUBLIC KIND OF EFFORT WE NEED TO BE MAKING TO MAKE SURE THAT FOLKS UNDERSTAND THE AVAILABILITY OF LEGAL SERVICES UNDERSTAND WHEN IT'S APPROPRIATE, AND YOU KNOW ARE BETTER UTILIZING IT AS A RESOURCE TO HELP THEM.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WONDERFUL POINT. WE NEED AN EASIER WAY FOR PEOPLE TO ACCESS INFORMATION ON WHAT SUPPORTS ARE AVAILABLE, NOT ONLY IN THE LTSS SYSTEM, BUT IN THE ELDER JUSTICE AND DISABILITY, JUSTICE SYSTEM AS WELL, AND IT IDEALLY WOULD BE PART OF ALL THE SAME NETWORK. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT. I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM OTHERS WHO ARE ON THE WORK GROUP AS WELL. ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR THOUGHTS. PLEASE, YOU KNOW. RAISE YOUR HAND FROM OTHERS.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: SCOTT PERELLO. I KNOW YOU WERE ON THE WORK GROUP, AND MIGHT HAVE SOME COMMENTS AS WELL, OR STILL AS WELL, AND AS WELL AS VIVIAN. IF THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU WANT TO ADD INTO, JUST TO KIND OF BUILD OFF YOUR COMMENTS IN TERMS OF HOW YOU THINK THIS WORK GROUP REALLY CAN FOCUS ITS EFFORTS ON THESE ISSUES. GIVEN THE RANGE OF CHALLENGES FACING THE SYSTEM.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: I CAN ADD IN, I THINK I MEAN PREFACE, I'M. A FORMER LEGAL SERVICES ATTORNEY. THAT'S HOW I STARTED MY LEGAL CAREER, AND I KNOW YOU KNOW FROM MY EXPERIENCE AND THE EXPERIENCE OF ALL THE PEOPLE THAT I'VE WORKED WITH LEGAL SERVICES. ATTORNEYS ARE MORE THAN JUST ATTORNEYS. THEY SERVE AS THE ATTORNEYS COUNSELORS. A LOT OF TIMES SOCIAL WORKERS DOING ALL TYPES OF THINGS OUTSIDE OF THE REALM OF LEGAL WORK TO SUPPORT THEIR CLIENTS AND TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF THEIR CLIENTS; AND I THINK THAT IF WE CAN CREATE BETTER CONNECTIONS BETWEEN THESE OTHER AGENCIES AND GROUPS WHO ADVOCATE FOR

OLDER ADULTS LIKE BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND CONNECTIONS WITH APS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. IT

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: IT CAN KIND OF LIFT SOME OF THAT BURDEN BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE A LOT OF LEGAL SERVICES, ATTORNEYS. THEY KNOW HOW TO USE THE LAW TO ADVOCATE FOR THEIR CLIENTS AND MAKE THEIR CLIENTS LIVES BETTER; BUT THEY OFTEN ARE FEEL VERY LOST WHEN IT TURN IN TERMS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS THAT CAN HELP THEIR CLIENTS. THEY FEEL LIKE MIT CTL, AND YOU KNOW THEY CALL SOMEONE, AND THEY SAY I CAN'T TELL YOU ANYTHING, OR THEY DON'T HAVE ANY RESOURCES. AND SO, BECAUSE THEY ARE, YOU KNOW, IN ESSENCE VERY, YOU KNOW, FOCUSED ON ZEALOUSLY ADVOCATING FOR THEIR CLIENTS. THEY FIGURE OUT ANOTHER WAY. AND WHILE THAT'S GREAT, THEY COULD HELP MORE PEOPLE IF THEY WEREN'T 150, DOING ALL THESE OTHER THINGS IN ADDITION TO BEING SOMEONE'S LAWYER. SO, I THINK THAT THERE IS REALLY AN OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE UNDERSTANDING AROUND THE OLDER ADULT COMMUNITY OF WHO DOES WHAT AND WHO DOES IT THE BEST, SO THAT PEOPLE CAN HAND OFF TASKS CONFIDENTLY WITHOUT THINKING. I HAVE TO DO EVERYTHING

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SIL VOSSLER: FREQUENTLY SO INTERRELATED, AND YOU'D HAVE A CLIENT WHO NEEDED. YOU KNOW THEY'RE BEING FINANCIALLY ABUSED. THEY'RE BEING PHYSICALLY ABUSED. THEY'RE ALSO SELF NEGLECTING. THEY'RE ALSO, YOU KNOW. THEY MAY NEED HOUSING. THEY MAY NEED A SO SOCIAL SERVICES, THEY, YOU KNOW, AND SO YOU WOULDN'T. IT'S SO IMPORTANT TO BUILD ROBUST CONNECTIONS BETWEEN ORGANIZATIONS

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: ABSOLUTELY. AND THIS JUST UNDERSCORES THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING A MUCH MORE INTERCONNECTED SYSTEM ACROSS ALL OF OUR DIFFERENT NETWORKS OF HEALTH CARE, HUMAN SERVICES, SOCIAL SERVICES, LTSS LEGAL SERVICES PEOPLE DON'T LIVE IN SILOS, SO THEIR PROBLEMS ARE ALL INTERCONNECTED. AND THIS REALLY DOES RELATE TO A KEY GOAL THAT WE'RE WORKING ON WITH THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING TO TRY AND PRODUCE A, YOU KNOW, DEVELOP A BROADER STATE, RIDE NO WRONG DOOR SYSTEM WHERE THIS FALLS WITHIN, THAT YOU KNOW. HOW CAN PEOPLE ACCESS WHAT THEY MAY NEED IN A MUCH MORE STREAMLINED FASHION, SO THAT LEGAL SERVICES. PROVIDERS CAN ACTUALLY FOCUS ON BEING LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDERS AND DO WARM HANDOFFS TO FOLKS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE NETWORK THAT CAN ASSIST WITH OTHER AREAS OF SUPPORT THAT'S NEEDED SO REALLY HELPFUL HEARING YOUR COMMENTS ON THAT. AND SO, WE LISA HAS HER HAND RAISED. AND THEN CLAIRE RAMSEY, LISA, WELCOME.

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LISA NERENBERG: WELL, I JUST THOUGHT I WOULD DRIVE THIS INTER COORDINATION POINT TO THE GROUND A LITTLE BIT MORE. I THINK IT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE, YOU KNOW, OPPORTUNITIES TO BRIDGE SOME OF THESE GAPS, AND CLEARLY, YOU KNOW, IN THE LAST SESSION TALKING ABOUT CONSERVATORSHIP, THE QUESTION WAS RAISED, YOU KNOW, WHY DO WE NEED CONSERVATORSHIP, AND I THINK YOU KNOW, SILL AND VIVIAN HAVE REALLY POINTED OUT, YOU KNOW THE KINDS OF CASES THAT YOU KNOW THE KINDS OF SITUATIONS THAT COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED.

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LISA NERENBERG: REALLY REQUIRE ACTIVE, ROBUST OUTREACH TO LEGAL SERVICES. AND I THINK THAT POINT IS JUST SO IMPORTANT THAT IF WE WANT TO HAVE, IF WE WANT TO AVOID THESE MORE RESTRICTIVE ALTERNATIVES THAT WE REALLY NEED TO HAVE, YOU KNOW. GET THE WORD OUT TO THE PUBLIC THAT ESTATE PLANNING AND ADVANCE DIRECTORS ARE NOT JUST THINGS THAT WEALTHY PEOPLE NEED, THAT, YOU KNOW, TO KEEP WEALTH IN OUR COMMUNITIES. WE NEED TO HAVE PEOPLE PLANNING IN ADVANCE. SO JUST ONE OF I ALSO HAVE TO CORRECT. SO THANKS FOR PLUGGING THE BLUEPRINT, BUT IT'S NOT UP YET. OUR NEW VERSION WILL BE UP LATER THIS WEEK, SO. AND YOU'LL HAVE IT. THERE'S A LOT MORE. WELL, YEAH, YEAH, AND THERE'S A LOT MORE WISDOM IN THE BLUEPRINT FOR MANY OF THE BRILLIANT PEOPLE ON THIS CALL CIVIL AND VIVIAN AND JIM AND OTHERS SO

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: GREAT. WONDERFUL! WELL, THAT'S A TREMENDOUS RESOURCE FOR US ALL TO HAVE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO IT BEING RELEASED, AND I'M SO PLEASED THAT WE'VE BEEN JOINED BY CLAIRE RAMSEY. WELL, CLAIRE RAMSEY, CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, WHO HAS BEEN HERE AND LISTENING, AND CLAIRE WELCOME, SARAH, AND I FEEL LIKE I'M. I'M PART OF A GROUP NOW WHERE I'LL SAY FORMER LEGAL SERVICES ATTORNEY AS WELL.

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CLAIRE RAMSEY: AND I JUST WANT TO LIKE SORT OF HIGHLIGHT TO THE IMPORTANCE THAT I THINK THEY'VE BEEN IN. SO WE'RE REALLY PULLING OUT OF SORT OF THE UNIQUENESS OF PROVIDING LEGAL SERVICES TO OLDER ADULTS, LIKE ONE OF THE REAL STRENGTHS WE HAVE IN OUR SYSTEM IS THAT YOU CAN HELP OLDER ADULTS WITHOUT REFERENCE TO INCOME LIMITS BECAUSE OF THE WAY THAT THE FEDERAL FUNDING WORKS. WHICH IS REALLY GREAT RIGHT MEANS. YOU CAN HELP A LOT MORE PEOPLE, BUT IT ALSO MEANS THAT THE ISSUES THEY MAY BE BRINGING TO THE POINTS THAT WERE MADE BEFORE MIGHT BE MORE FINANCIALLY COMPLEX. THEN WHAT A LEGAL SERVICES ATTORNEY WOULD NORMALLY DEAL WITH. AND SO

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CLAIRE RAMSEY: YOU KNOW JUST WHETHER IT'S AROUND HOME OWNERSHIP OR SORT OF PEOPLE USING COMPLICATED FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS TO DEFRAUD OR TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PEOPLE. IT'S JUST SOMETIMES GETS TO BE ON THE BOUNDS OF LIKE, IF PEOPLE ARE MUCH MORE USED TO WORKING WITHIN THE PUBLIC BENEFITS SYSTEM. AND THEN YOU HAVE SORT OF THIS WHOLE NEW SYSTEM THAT SORT OF LAID ON TOP OF IT. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I THINK I HEAR ALL THE THINKING THAT'S ALREADY GOING ON. BUT JUST LIKE WHERE, WITHIN OUR PRIVATE ATTORNEY, SPACE IS THERE MORE THINKING ABOUT, LIKE WHAT RESOURCES COULD BE AVAILABLE FOR OLDER ADULTS LIKE JUST THINKING LIKE SUCCESSFULLY LIKE PARTNERING WITH PRO BONO ATTORNEYS.

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CLAIRE RAMSEY: HOW DO WE GET MORE INTEREST FROM THE PRIVATE BAR IN TAKING LIKE FINANCIAL ABUSE CASES AND THINGS LIKE THAT? JUST. I'M SURE MANY OF YOU ARE THINKING ABOUT THAT A LOT. IT'S JUST ONE OF THOSE AREAS WHERE I THINK YOU KNOW, I THINK ABOUT A CASE I HAD WHERE

THERE WAS LIKE THE INTERSECTION OF. YOU KNOW, SOMEBODY BASICALLY MISUSING A POWER RETURNING TO TRY TO BASICALLY TAKE AWAY SOMEBODY'S HOUSE LIKE TO BASICALLY LIKE MORTGAGE TO THE HOUSE, AND THINGS LIKE DO ALL SORTS OF SHADY THINGS, BUT REALLY NEEDING A PRIVATE FIRM TO BE ABLE TO BRING THE RESOURCES TO THERE TO REALLY DEAL WITH THE CASE, AND I DON'T KNOW THAT THE CASE ULTIMATELY WAS THAT COMPLICATED LEGALLY, BUT IT WAS NOT WITHIN THE SCOPE OF SERVICES. SO, I JUST THINK THERE'S JUST IT FEELS LIKE THERE'S A LOT OF INTERSECTIONS THERE IN A LOT OF PLACES FOR GOOD WORK AND MORE RESOURCES, BUT ALSO REALLY THE PRIVATE BAR

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SIL VOSSLER: BECOMING ENGAGED IN A DIFFERENT WAY. YEAH. SO, I'M. I'M HAPPY TO TALK ABOUT THAT, YOU KNOW. I REALLY DO THINK YOU TOUCH ON A FEW REALLY IMPORTANT POINTS. NUMBER ONE THERE, AREN'T ENOUGH PRIVATE LAWYERS DOING THIS KIND OF WORK.

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SIL VOSSLER: AND HOW DO WE NOT ONLY BUILD MORE ROBUST REFERRAL NETWORKS. BUT HOW DO WE INCENTIVIZE MORE PRIVATE LAWYERS TO ENTER THIS SPACE ASSETS TO RECOVER FROM A DEPENDENT, OR THERE ARE SHIFTING ATTORNEY'S FEES FOR FINANCIAL ABUSE CASES. AND SO, YOU KNOW, EVERY HOUR THE PRIVATE LAWYER WORKS THEY CAN ACTUALLY BUILD TO THE OTHER SIDE. AND SO, IT'S A QUESTION OF FINDING THAT NUMBER ONE BRINGING IN MORE ATTORNEYS INTO THIS SPACE, AND THEN FINDING THE RIGHT ATTORNEYS TO HANDLE IT WHERE YOU KNOW, I THINK THEY LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE. THE CASES THAT I HANDLE ARE MOSTLY PREDATORY LENDING AND HARD MONEY LENDING CASES, AND I AM NOT A PRO BONO ATTORNEY, BUT YOU KNOW GENERALLY I'M ABLE TO ELIMINATE THE LOAN AND GET MY CLIENT THEIR HOUSE SCREEN AND CLEAR

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SIL VOSSLER: THAT I DON'T KNOW IF THAT HELPS. MAKES SENSE. YEAH. SO, I IT'S REALLY COMPLICATED. THERE'S SO MANY THINGS HERE THAT ARE THAT NEED WORK, THAT IT'S JUST. IT'S A TOUGH ISSUE.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: YEAH, NO, THIS IS. IT'S SUCH AN IMPORTANT CONVERSATION. IF IT WERE SIMPLE TO FIX, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN FIXED. AND I THINK THAT IT'S BY BRINGING IN THESE DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES THAT WILL BE ABLE TO KIND OF PULL OUT SOME NUGGETS OF POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITY SO REALLY HELPFUL. INPUT AND I'M SO HAPPY TO THAT WE'VE BEEN JOINED BY ANDREA HIGGINS, WHO'S ALSO IN OUR APS WORK GROUP, ANDREA, IF YOU COULD INTRODUCE YOURSELF, AND WE ARE HAPPY TO HEAR YOUR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS.

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ANDREA HIGGINS: THANKS SO MUCH, SARAH AND I JUST REALLY WELL, MY NAME IS ANDREA HIGGINS. I AM AN ELDER, INDEPENDENT ADULT. ABUSE INVESTIGATOR WITH THE SAN MATEO COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN REDWOOD CITY, AND I REALLY JUST WANTED TO SHARE MY GREAT APPRECIATION FOR THIS COMMITTEE, AND THE WORK THAT YOU FOLKS ARE DOING.

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ANDREA HIGGENS: I ON PROBABLY A WEEKLY BASIS, IF NOT MORE OFTEN, AND WORKING WITH OUR APS SOCIAL WORKERS, DEPUTY, PUBLIC AUDIENCE, THE PROSECUTORS IN MY OFFICE TO TRY TO BRING LEGAL SERVICES TO OLDER, INDEPENDENT ADULTS AND THEIR FAMILIES. WHEN WE CAN'T FILL THE GAP FOR THEM, WHETHER IT'S A AN ELDER BE RESTRAINING ORDER. WHETHER IT IS A YOU KNOW, SOMEBODY TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THEIR PROBATE ISSUES, WHETHER IT'S SOMEONE WHO NEEDS TO PUT TOGETHER A FAMILY TRUST

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ANDREA HIGGENS: OR REBUILD A FAMILY TRUST BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF, AND WE ARE SO CHALLENGED BECAUSE THE FAMILIES AND THE SITUATIONS THAT ARE MOST IN NEED ARE THE FOLKS WHO HAD PROBABLY THE LEAST AMOUNT OF RESOURCES TO BEGIN WITH. AND WHO ARE TYPICALLY, YOU KNOW, MAYBE COMING FROM UNDERSERVED, TRADITIONALLY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES AND ALL OF THE FOLKS THAT THEY REACH OUT TO SAY, COULD YOU PLEASE HELP ME TRY TO RECOVER SOME OF THESE RESOURCES

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ANDREA HIGGENS: AND THE FOLKS THAT THEY REACH OUT TO SAY WE'RE SORRY, BUT WE EITHER WE CAN'T, OR IT'S NOT IN OUR REAL HOUSE, OR THERE'S NOT ENOUGH MONEY THAT WE COULD RECOVER TO MAKE THIS VIABLE FOR US, AND IT IS SO CHALLENGING BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TOOLS FOR THAT. SO, I'M SO GRATEFUL THAT YOU FOLKS ARE DOING THIS WORK, AND FOR ALL OF THE YOU KNOW, JUST WANTED TO SHARE MY APPRECIATION FOR THAT, BECAUSE THIS REALLY HAS ALL THE WORK WE'RE DOING ON THIS COUNCIL HAS THE ABILITY TO REALLY IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR FOLKS. BUT I FEEL LIKE THIS HAS SUCH AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO PLAY. SO, THANK YOU, FOLKS SO MUCH FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: OH, THANK YOU SO MUCH, ANDREA, FOR THAT AND REALLY IMPORTANT PERSPECTIVE. AND AGAIN, SHOWING YOU KNOW HOW STRIKING IT IS THAT THE PEOPLE WHO NEED THE SERVICES THE MOST ARE THE ONES WHO WHO OFTEN ARE THE ONES WHO CAN'T AFFORD IT. SO WE DON'T HAVE ACCESS, AND WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES SO WONDERFUL. WE'VE BEEN JOINED BY TONY ANDERSON. TONY. WELCOME, INTRODUCE YOURSELF, AND GLAD TO HAVE YOU HERE.

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TONY ANDERSON (HE, HIM), VALLEY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CENTER: GOOD AFTERNOON, TONY ANDERSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF VALLEY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CENTER, AND I DID JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE COMMITTEE, AND THE SO IN PARTICULAR, BECAUSE YOU GAVE ME SOME GOOD IDEAS OF SOME TIME AGO. I WE HAVE A THE SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE ABOUT 17 VICTIMS OF FISCAL FINANCIAL CRIME. AND

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TONY ANDERSON (HE, HIM), VALLEY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CENTER: YEAH, OF COURSE, I WAS ALL DISCOURAGED BECAUSE YOU GUYS ALSO SAID IT'S VERY UNLIKELY THAT I'M GETTING ANY HELP. AND BUT EVERYWHERE I WENT I WAS GETTING THE SAME KIND OF RESPONSE THAT IT WAS UNLIKELY, BUT THAT THERE WERE SOME THINGS I COULD DO. AND SO, WE DID START WORKING WITH THE CONNECT REACHING OUT TO THE BAR IN OUR AREA, AND BUT ALSO LET THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, THOUGH WE WERE DOING THAT, AND JUST DOING EVERYTHING WE COULD TO PUSH. AND THEN A LOT OF YOU. I TALKED TO ON THE SIDE, AND YOU GAVE ME OTHER VERY HELPFUL TIPS AND THINGS I COULD DO, AND IT WAS VERY DISCOURAGING STILL, BECAUSE WE FIGURED EVERYBODY ALSO SAID THAT IT'S VERY UNLIKELY, GIVEN THAT IT WAS SMALL, LIKE 500 TO \$1000 PER PERSON.

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TONY ANDERSON (HE, HIM), VALLEY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CENTER: THAT WAS UNLIKELY THAT WE WOULD GET ANY JUSTICE FOR ALL OF THESE VICTIMS, BUT I WILL. I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT WE JUST WE KEPT ON IT, AND WE JUST HEARD THAT THEY THAT THEY WILL ALL RECEIVE WELL, THEY ARE ALL SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE RESTITUTION FROM THE PERSON, AND THE PERSON WAS CONVICTED, AND THEY WENT THROUGH ON THE COURT CASE. SO, I WAS JUST A VERY GRATEFUL TO ALL OF YOU THAT HELPED ME.

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TONY ANDERSON (HE, HIM), VALLEY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CENTER: AND ALSO OPEN MY EYES TO THAT. THIS WAS NOT AS SIMPLE AS I AS I THOUGHT IT WAS, BUT IT WAS A GOOD EVENING. I JUST WANTED TO SHARE THAT WITH YOU, AND YOU PROBABLY WOULD HAVE HAD NO IDEA THAT YOU HELPED US IN THIS SITUATION, BUT IT WAS AT LEAST YOU KNOW, SOME MORAL SUPPORT, AND THEN ALSO THAT MAYBE SOMETHING WE COULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS, SO I APPRECIATE THAT TO EVERYONE ON THE COMMITTEE SO

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WELL, THAT'S FANTASTIC TO HEAR, TONY, THOUGH. THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I THINK WE CAN CONSIDER A WIN JUST BY BRINGING THIS GROUP TOGETHER. I DON'T KNOW STILL, OR VIVIAN, IF YOU HAVE ANY RESPONSES TO THAT, ANY COMMENTS. BUT JUST GLAD, TONY, THAT IT COULD BE, YOU KNOW ASSISTED IN THAT SPACE. THERE'S TOO MANY STORIES LIKE THIS, AND WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO FIGURE OUT WAYS TO ADDRESS THE SYSTEM ISSUES THAT LEAD TO THEM. SO

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: JUST CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH, VIVIAN: AND SO, AND TO ALL THOSE WHO PROVIDED COMMENT OUR STATE PARTNERS FOR A GREAT DISCUSSION. AND IT ACTUALLY, I THINK, IS A PERFECT SEGUE INTO OUR NEXT DISCUSSION WITH THE APS WORK GROUP. BUT BEFORE THAT, AND AS LONG AS THERE'S NO OTHER COMMENTS FROM OUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS. I'M HAPPY TO TURN IT OVER TO MEGAN AND OUR COMMUNICATIONS TEAM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE WE MOVE TO OUR NEXT WORK GROUP.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): RIGHT. HI! EVERYBODY, MEGAN HERE I'M. I'M NOT ACTUALLY SEEING ANY HANDS RAISED AT THIS TIME, SO WE'LL JUST GO THROUGH THE FUNCTIONS HERE THAT THE TIMES

RESERVE FOR 2 MIN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU CAN RAISE YOUR HAND AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR ZOOM SCREEN IF YOU'RE ON THE PHONE, SIMPLY PRESS STAR 9 SO THAT WE CAN SEE THAT YOUR PHONE LINE MY HAND IS RAISED. BUT YEAH, RIGHT NOW I'M NOT SEEING ANYONE WITH THEIR HANDS RAISED UNLESS IT COMES UP IN THE NEXT FEW SECONDS. SARAH. I'LL GIVE IT A SECOND HERE. JUST SEE IF ANYBODY ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS.

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RANJANA MAHARAJ: SARAH. I JUST WANT TO THANK ALL THE PANELISTS, THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND VIVIAN, AND SO FOR THEIR WONDERFUL PRESENTATION. AND IT GOES TO SHOW US THAT WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK AHEAD FOR LEGAL SERVICES AND ALL OF THE INTERSECTIONS THAT I'M SEEING IN THE VARIOUS WORK GROUPS. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE TO CONNECT THE DOTS. SO, THANK YOU

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: PERFECT. I LOVE IT, AND I THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO BE A TREMENDOUS RESOURCE. HAVING THIS PROJECT WITH THE NATIONAL CENTER ON ELDER LAW RIGHTS, SLASH JUSTICE AND AGING, I THINK, CAN REALLY HELP THINK THROUGH A LOT OF THE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED. AND WITH THAT THINKING ABOUT WHERE SOME OF THE BEST PRACTICES THAT WE MIGHT SEE ACROSS OTHER STATES AS WELL. SO THAT'S JUST SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT REALLY ENGAGED DISCUSSION. GIVEN THAT THERE WERE NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS. I THINK IT'S A GREAT TIME TO TURN IT OVER TO OUR ADULT PERCENT PROTECTIVE SERVICES WORK GROUP

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: AND RANJANA. IS THERE ANYTHING THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY? OR DO YOU WANT ME TO JUST TURN IT OVER TO ACHILLES?

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RANJANA MAHARAJ: NOPE, ACHILLES, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ADDITIONAL TO SAY, PERHAPS AFTER I, ACHILLES, GIVE THIS PRESENTATION. SO YEAH.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: FOR SAN FRANCISCO, HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY AND ACHILLES AND ANDREA TOGETHER HAVE BEEN, YOU KNOW, STARTING LAST YEAR THEY REALLY LED THE WORK OF WHAT WE HAD CALLED THE I THINK WE CALLED IT LIKE A GAP ANALYSIS, BUT IT'S KIND OF MORPHED INTO THIS NEW EFFORT FOR US TO KIND OF UNDERSTAND THE INTERSECTIONALITY AND WHAT THE CHALLENGES IN THE SYSTEM LOOK LIKE IN A KIND OF MORE LOCAL LEVEL, AND HOW WE SEE A LOT OF THE CHALLENGES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED ABOUT THE CONSERVATORSHIP WORK GROUP AND THE LEGAL SERVICES WORK GROUP PLAY OVER IN THE APS AREA AS WELL. SO, WITH THAT I'M SO HAPPY TO TURN IT OVER TO YOU. ACHILLES AND ANDREA.

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AKILES CERON: YEAH, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AGAIN. MY NAME IS AKILES CERON, PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR THE CITY, AND DANIEL SAN FRANCISCO AND MY COLLEAGUE,

ANDREA HIGGINS. I THINK SHE TOOK THIS FOR HIS HELP. YOU WANT TO INTRODUCE YOURSELF AGAIN. ANDREA?

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ANDREA HIGGINS: SURE AGAIN. OH, GOSH, START MY VIDEO. SORRY. SORRY ABOUT THAT MINOR TECHNICAL GLITCH ON MY END AGAIN. MY NAME IS ANDREA HIGGINS, AND I AM AN ELDER TRUST INVESTIGATOR WITH THE SAN MATEO COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WHICH IS, YOU KNOW, BASICALLY JUST A FANCY WAY OF SAYING, I'M. A DETECTIVE WHO WORKS FOR THE D'S OFFICE RATHER THAN FOR ONE OF OUR LOCAL POLICE AGENCIES

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AKILES CERON: FOR NEXT SLIDE. THANK YOU. SO LAST YEAR, AS YOU MENTIONED, WE WERE ASKED TO LOOK INTO THE GAP AND ANDREA I MEAN LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND ME AS A SOCIAL PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICE. YOU KNOW, PUBLIC SERVANT WITH OUR OWN PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND OUR COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE, WE BEGAN TO THINK, WELL, HOW COULD WE? THEN WE KNOW THERE ARE GAPS. BUT HOW DO WE BEGIN? IT'S JUST, YOU KNOW SO MUCH TO REALLY THINK, THROUGH SOME CASES, THAT WE WORK TOGETHER APS OF ENFORCEMENT WORK OUT GREAT AND MANY OTHERS. DON'T SO HAVE WHAT IS THE REASON. SO, WE DECIDED TO FOCUS ON 3 COMMON SCENARIOS THAT WE BELIEVE

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AKILES CERON: EXEMPLIFIED MANY OF THE CASES THAT WILL RECEIVE. AND WE BEGAN TO THINK, OKAY, WELL, IF WE LOOK AT THE HISTORY OR THE LIFE OF THE IPS CASE, THE APS REFERRAL. WHAT HAPPENS SO IN THINKING ABOUT THE ELDER AND DEPENDENT AT ALL TO BE WITH CIVIL PROTECTION ACT, WHICH REALLY GIVE THE GUIDELINES, AND IT IS THE MANDATE FOR RECEIVING AND RESPONDING TO REPORTS OF SUSPECTED ELDER AND DEPENDING ON BOTH OF YOU IN CALIFORNIA.

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AKILES CERON: AND IT IDENTIFIES 3 PRIMARY AGENCIES WHICH IS LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT. I DON'T PROTECT THE SERVICES TO LUMP THEM. AND IT ALSO HAS THE REQUIREMENT OF FOR US, REPORTING THESE REPORTS TO APPROPRIATE ENTITIES. OTHER ENTITIES. SUCH AS LICENSE.

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AKILES CERON: MAYBE, YOU KNOW, NURSES OR CNN'S, OR A FACILITY. AND THERE ARE ALSO OTHER TYPES OF REPORTS. ALL CONTAIN IT FINANCIAL ABUSE, ALLEGATIONS, BUT NOT BY US. IT USUALLY, BUT IT COULD BE A SCAM. IT COULD BE A CONSTRUCTION SCAM. YOU NAME IT. IT'S A WIDE BOARD.

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AKILES CERON: SO WE'LL RECEIVE A LARGE VOLUME OF REPORTS, AND MORE OFTEN THAN NOT IT IS DIFFICULT TO TRAP WHERE SOME OF THOSE REPORTS WOULD GO OR SHOULD GO. SO THAT'S WHEN WE STARTED THINKING, OKAY, WHAT HAPPENS IN A SCENARIO, FOR INSTANCE, OF FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION OR PHYSICAL ABUSE IN A FACILITY OR SELF-NEGLECT IN THE COMMUNITY.

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AKILES CERON: AND THE VARIOUS TYPES OF ABUSE THAT COME WITH EVERY REPORT. AND ARE THESE REPORTS GOING, ARE THEY BEING CROSS-REPORTED TO OTHER AGENCIES? ONE EXAMPLE IS IN A SKILL NURSING FACILITY. FOR EXAMPLE, LONG-TERM CARE. A REPORT IS MADE TO THE OMBUDSMAN, FOR EXAMPLE, AND IF THE YOUNGEST MAN CANNOT GO ON TO SUPPORT TO THE POLICE WITH THE REPORTING TO THEN GO ON CALL, AND IF THEY GO WITH THE WE SAY. WELL, YOU KNOW I'M TALKING WITH YOU ON THIS WEEK.

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AKILES CERON: OR IF THE REPORT IS MADE TO APS, AND THEN IPS, BECAUSE IT WAS REFERRED BY THE POLICE, AND THEN IPS WILL CALL THE OMBUDSMAN. SO, WE IN. NOTHING CAN BE SIMPLE AS SOME OF YOU MENTIONED, AND WITHOUT IT IS SO CHALLENGING AND DIFFICULT TO COMPLY WITH ALL THE CROSS-REPORTING AND THE RECEIVING OF THESE REPORTS IN THIS STATE SO. AND NOT RECEIVING THESE REPORTS FROM THE APPROPRIATE AGENCIES DOES NOT PROMOTE COORDINATION. AND DOESN'T PROMOTE TIMELY INTERVENTIONS AND WELL COORDINATED EFFECTIVE INTERVENTIONS.

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AKILES CERON: SO NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE SO OR OR GAP ANALYSES, YOU KNOW WHICH IS STILL WHAT WE'RE PROPOSING, AND I'M SURE THAT THROUGH THESE EFFORTS IT WILL, IT WILL GROW INTO WHATEVER IS MOST HELPFUL. WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF THESE REPORTS AIM TO A WELL-TRAINED, WELL-FUNDED APS AGENCY THAT IS ABLE TO SCREEN AND PROPERLY CROSS-REPORT AND TIMELY BRING IN THOSE OF THE.

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AKILES CERON: AND ALSO BY VIRTUE OF THESE ABILITY TO GENERATE THE DATA THAT OTHER AGENCIES THAT ARE ALSO IDENTIFY AS MEETING TO RECEIVE THIS REPORT. TO GET A BETTER PICTURE OF WHAT SHOULD THIS BE RECORDED IN THEIR JURISDICTIONS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES? SO, RECEIVING THE RESPONSE? THE REPORT IS ONE THING RESPONDING TO THE REPORTS. IT'S THE OTHER THING. SO SOHOW DO WE CREATE TIMELY INTERVENTIONS?

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AKILES CERON: BUT NOT ONLY TIMELY, BUT ALSO EFFECTIVE INTERVENTIONS THAT ARE TRUSTED USE. AFTER ALL, WHEN THESE REPORTS ARE MADE, THE MAIN IDEA IS INTERVENTION GIVEN THAT THERE MAY BE PROSECUTION AT THE END, OR THE POSSIBILITY OF REST, INCLUSION. OR ANY OTHER SOCIAL SERVICE REMEDY AND MAYBE APPROPRIATE.

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AKILES CERON: YOU WANT TO MINIMIZE THE IMPACT OF THE HARMFUL SITUATION. THERE IS ABUSE, THE LACK OF ELECT EXPLOITATION. YOU WANT TO REDUCE ITS EFFECTS TO PRESERVE MOST OF THE PERSON'S FUNCTIONAL ABILITY, DECISION, MAKING ABILITY, AND THERE THAT THEY'RE PROPERLY THEIR REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY. ONCE THAT IS GONE. A LOT IS AFFECTED BY IT, LACK OF AFFORDABLE AMENITIES, RESOURCES AGING IN PLACE YOUR NAME. SO THOSE ARE OUR RECOMMENDATIONS NEXT SLIDE.

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AKILES CERON: SO, YOU MENTIONED THE CONCEPT OF NO WRONG DOOR. ONE DOOR, AND WHAT WE'RE THINKING IT WOULD BE HELPFUL WHEN IT COMES TO RECEIVING AND RESPONDING TO REPORTS OF SUSPECT THAT I USE OF ALL OUR ADULTS, AND THOSE WITH DISABILITIES. AND THE NUMEROUS TYPES OF REPORTS AND SETTINGS THAT THESE BE MADE TO ONE ENTITY TO APS, FOR EXAMPLE.

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AKILES CERON: AND ARE PROPERLY STUFFED AND TRAINED. OUR AGENCY WOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE A PROFIT FOR US. AND ALL THESE OTHER AGENCIES IN CODE THAT WOULD RECEIVE A REPORT WOULD KNOW WHO ELSE HAS RECEIVED A REPORT. AND IT COULD THE NOT ONLY THE DATA, BUT ALSO THE COORDINATION. AND EVENTUALLY WE THINK THAT WOULD BE OF MOST VALUE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

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AKILES CERON: AND YOU WOULD ALSO, THROUGH THIS COORDINATION OF EFFORTS LIKE THE ON THIS ONE, FOR EXAMPLE, AND APS, WE ARE REALLY ADVOCATES, WE ARE LOOKING FOR ACCESS TO SERVICES TO RESOURCES, AND THAT THESE OTHER MECHANISMS COME IN PLACE TO ACTUALLY RESPOND AND HELP REMEDY THE HARMFUL SITUATION, AND TO DEVELOP A MECHANISM THAT WILL PROTECT THAT OLDER ADULT, GET OVER DISABILITY AND AN ONGOING BASIS, SO THAT THE SAFETY CONTINUES ON. AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TEAMS THAT NEED TO. WE NEED TO FOCUS ON INTERVENTION.

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AKILES CERON: BUT ALSO, THE INNER AGENCY COLLABORATION AMONGST THE AGENCIES NEED TO BE MORE STANDARDIZED WITH APPOINTMENTS. SO, IT IS REALLY A COMMUNITY PROBLEM. IT IS. IT IS NOT ONLY APS PROBLEM OR THE ON THE SMARTPHONE OR THE POLICE PROBLEM, BUT A COMMUNITY PROBLEM WHEN IT COMES TO INTERVENTION WHERE THERE CAN BE THESE DISCUSSIONS, DIALOGUE, LEARNING, WE'VE LEARNED A LOT THROUGH THIS EXPERIENCE TODAY, AND MANY OF YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT LEGAL AID, FOR EXAMPLE, ONE SERVICES. AND

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AKILES CERON: WE WERE PROPOSING, YOU KNOW, HAVING, LIKE A LATE, FOR INSTANCE, BE PART OF THESE INTERAGENCY COLLABORATIONS AND COORDINATION OF SERVICES. TO DEVELOP THESE, TO DESIGN WAYS FORWARD FOR TIMELY INTERVENTIONS AND FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SIDE. TO ALSO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT ASPECT. AND DO YOU WANT TO TALK A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT? OH.

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ANDREA HIGGENS: ABSOLUTELY SO ONE OF THE ONE OF THE GAPS THAT WE REALLY IDENTIFIED ACROSS. ALL OF THE VARIOUS SCENARIOS THAT WE LOOKED AT DURING OUR GAP. ANALYSIS IS THAT FOLKS IN MY LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY HAVE A REALLY A LACK OF TRAINING AND SUPPORT IN UNDERSTANDING, AND EFFECTIVELY RESPONDING TO ELDER, INDEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE.

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AND THAT STARTS WAY BACK IN THE POLICE ACADEMY. I JUST WENT AND LOOKED AT THE CURRENT MATERIALS THAT ARE PART OF POSTS TRAINING. WHEN OFFICERS GO THROUGH THE BASIC POLICE ACADEMY AT THE BEGINNING OF THEIR CAREERS, AND THERE ARE 4 PAGES OF INFORMATION AND TRAINING IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CURRICULUM IN THE ACADEMY, RELATED SPECIFICALLY TO ELDER INDEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE AS OPPOSED TO APPROXIMATELY 100 A 146 PAGES RELATED TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. SO THAT JUST GIVES YOU A LITTLE PERSPECTIVE THAT YOU KNOW WE'RE REALLY NOT PROVIDING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WITH

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ANDREA HIGGENS: THE SKILLS AND TOOLS THAT THEY NEED TO UNDERSTAND AND RESPOND EFFECTIVELY TO THESE KINDS OF SITUATIONS, NOT JUST CRIMES, BUT SITUATIONS, BECAUSE THE OTHER PIECES LAW ENFORCEMENT, NEEDS TO UNDERSTAND ITS ROLE IN THE LARGER JUSTICE COMMUNITY WHEN IT COMES TO OLDER, INDEPENDENT ADULTS THAT WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE EYES AND EARS INTO SITUATIONS, AND TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES, WHETHER THAT MEANS THAT THERE'S A CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROCEEDING OR NOT. ULTIMATELY OUR FOCUS SHOULD BE ON HOW DO WE HELP AND SUPPORT FOLKS WHO ARE COMING TO THE ATTENTION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. SO

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ANDREA HIGGENS: REALLY BETTER TRAINING THE ACADEMY, AND ALSO BEST PRACTICES FOR ONGOING SUPPORT AND TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT, I THINK WILL REALLY SUPPORT THIS CONCEPT OF YOU KNOW ONE DOOR NO WRONG DOOR AND MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT FOLKS WHO ARE EQUIPPED TO RESPOND APPROPRIATELY.

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AKILES CERON: NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

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AKILES CERON: ANOTHER ASPECT THAT WE WERE LOOKING AT BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF REPORTS THAT WE RECEIVE AS THE PRIMARY DOORS OF RECEIVING AND RESPONDING TO THESE REPORTS. OFTEN THIS INVOLVES PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN EITHER UNABLE OR INCAPABLE OF ACCESSING SYSTEMS. THEY MIGHT BE ISOLATED ALONG WITHOUT THE APPROPRIATE FOR SYSTEM. AND THEY ARE, THEY FIND THEMSELVES IN HARM'S WAY. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SUBSTANTIAL ARMS WAY. THESE ARE IN DANGER OF THOSE FOR THEIR PROPERTIES AT SUBSTANTIAL RISK.

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AKILES CERON: WHERE OFTEN THE MOST IMMEDIATE INTERVENTION COULD BE THROUGH A TEMPORARY CONSERVATIVE. FOR EXAMPLE. WE THERE IT BECOMES PERMANENT OR NOT. THAT MAY BE A DIFFERENT STORY, BUT TO PROTECT THE PERSON TO PROTECT THE ESTATE. WHILE AN ALTERNATIVE IS DESIGNED TO ASSIST INDIVIDUALS BEFORE THEY LOSE WHAT THEY HAVE BEFORE THEY LOSE THEIR ABILITY TO REMAIN INDEPENDENTLY AND TO HAVE THAT AUTONOMY.

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AKILES CERON: IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE BELIEVE THAT PROBABLY COURTS ARE EDUCATED, TRAINED IN UNDERSTANDING THESE ASPECTS OF PROBATE NOT NECESSARILY EXCLUSIVE TO A STATE. BUT WE'RE

TALKING ABOUT THE IMMEDIATE NEED OF A CIRCUIT DECISION MAKER ABSENT, I PRE-EXISTING APPROPRIATE WAY OF SUPPORTING SOME OF THOSE DECISIONS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE WHO ARE SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF PERMANENT INJURY OR DEATH LOSING THEIR PROPERTY. AND WE NEED TO HAVE SOME WAY OF ASSISTING INDIVIDUALS IN A TIMELY MANNER.

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AKILES CERON: AND THIS WOULD ALSO HELP CREATE CONSISTENCY THROUGHOUT THE STATE. WHEN ANDREA AND I WERE TALKING, WE WERE THINKING, WE'RE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO THINK BEYOND SOMETHING. HE'S FOR SOME MATERIAL THAT YOU KNOW THE ENTIRE STATE, AND THINKING WHAT COULD HELP PROMOTE A FABRIC THAT WOULD BENEFIT EVERY CALIFORNIAN IN THIS SITUATION DOESN'T MATTER WHERE THEY RESIDE IN THIS THING OF CALIFORNIA. AND THESE ALSO REQUIRES FUNDS. YOU KNOW, OF COURSE, BUDGET OR TRAINING, OR FOR THIS ABILITY TO RECEIVE THESE REPORTS AND TRY THEM, BUT ALSO TO CAPACITATE APS AS SOCIAL SERVICE ADVOCATES AND COORDINATORS OF RESOURCES AND ENTITIES THROUGH MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAMS TO BE ABLE

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AKILES CERON: TO EXERCISE THIS ADVOCACY, AND TO WHEN APPROPRIATE WORK AND PARTNER WITH, OR PUBLIC GUARDIANS OFFICES ACROSS THE STATE, SO THAT WE CAN DISCUSS INTERVENTIONS THAT ARE APPROPRIATE AND MINIMIZE ANY WORLD CONFUSION OUT WHERE WHEREVER THERE MIGHT BE ONE. ALSO IN TERMS OF RESTRAINING ORDERS.

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SOME OF YOU OR SOMEONE MENTIONED THIS TRAINING ORDERS AND IN DISCUSSING THESE, YOU KNOW. THINK OF A POLICE OFFICER THAT MAYBE COMES TO THE SCENE AND ISSUES AN EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE ORDER AGAINST SEVERE NEGLECT OR PHYSICAL ABUSE. YOU NAME IT.

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AKILES CERON: THAT EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE ORDER IS AS GOOD AS YOU KNOW, 5 TO 7 DAYS, AND WITHOUT THE NEXT STEPS WITHOUT A COMPAR WITH STRING ORDER AND A FORMAL, RESTRAINING ORDER. WE ARE JUST. IT'S NOT A MEANINGFUL INTERVENTION THAT CAN REALLY ALLOW ENOUGH TIME TO YOU, OLDER AT ALL. GET OUT WITH THIS ABILITY TO REALLY PRODUCE OR TO HELP US BUILD THIS MECHANISM OF PROTECTION.

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AKILES CERON: AND THESE RESTRAINING ORDERS, YOU KNOW, NEED TO BE IN PLACE. HOW DO WE PARTNER WITH THE SINGLE REMEDIES? WE, WITH OUR LEGAL SERVICES, HELD APS PROGRAMS. AND ALSO ON THE ON THE CRIMINAL SIDE. ANDREA, YOU KNOW. DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS ON THESE TYPE OF ORDERS?

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ANDREA HIGGENS: ABSOLUTELY. I THINK THIS IS REALLY ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR COLLABORATION WHERE

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ANDREA HIGGENS: YOU KNOW, CONTACTING THE DA'S OFFICE, FINDING OUT? ARE THERE CRIMINAL CHARGES PENDING? WAS THERE RESTRAINING ORDER PUT IN PLACE BY THE PROSECUTOR, YOU KNOW, IF THE CASE HAS BEEN FILED. IF THE CASE HASN'T BEEN FILED, YOU KNOW, IS THE PROSECUTOR AWARE OF THE FACT THAT THERE MAY NEED TO BE A PROTECTIVE ORDER, IS THE SUSPECTED OF USER IN CUSTODY. WILL THE VICTIM BE NOTIFIED IF YOU KNOW, IF THAT PERSON IS RELEASED FROM CUSTODY ON THEIR OWN COGNIZANT. SO, YOU KNOW THERE'S A WHOLE COMPONENT OF THAT COLLABORATION RELATED TO RESTRAINING ORDERS, BUT ALSO

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ANDREA HIGGENS: JUST PROVIDING SUPPORT THROUGH THE FOLKS WHO ARE CLIENTS FROM THE SOCIAL SERVICES SIDE AND VICTIMS ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SIDE. TO KNOW THAT THOSE RESTRAINING ORDERS ARE ONLY AS POWERFUL AS A PERSON'S WILLINGNESS TO USE THEM SO REALLY EMPOWERING FOLKS TO SEEK THOSE ORDERS TO UNDERSTAND THE COMPLEXITIES OF THESE CASES WHEN VIOLENCE IS BEING MINIMIZED BY THE FOLKS WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED IT. UNFORTUNATELY, WE SEE THAT AN AWFUL LOT IN THESE KINDS OF CASES.

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ANDREA HIGGENS: AND REALLY JUST COLLABORATING WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT ENTITIES TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE BRINGING THAT PROTECTIVE NETWORK AS TIGHTLY AROUND OUR CLIENTS AND VICTIMS AS WE CAN.

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AKILES CERON: AND THIS HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORTANCE ON THE ADVOCATE SITE LIKE, IN IN THE CASE OF A LITTLE DETECTIVE SERVICES. I IS THERE A SAFE HAVEN IN AN EMERGENCY SHELTER, OR A WAY TO HELP PROTECT THE PERSON WHEN THEY ARE AFRAID, AND THEY WOULD LIKELY LEFT ALONE, BE UNABLE TO ENFORCE OUR RESTRAINING ORDER. IT IS PART OF THE SUPPORT SYSTEM THAT CAN BE A GATEKEEPER. TO SUPPORT THESE MECHANISMS. OUR NEXT SLIDE.

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AKILES CERON: AND BECAUSE OF THIS LINE OF THINKING, I THINK THAT WE NEED TO EXPLORE WHAT MECHANISMS ARE CURRENTLY IN EXISTENCE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT REALLY PROMOTE THE TIMELY INTERVENTION OF INVENTOR OF THOSE SO REALLY HELP MINIMIZE ANY IMPACT OF ABUSE ME LIKE SELF, NEGLECT, OR EXPLOITATION. AND REALLY PRESERVE THEIR ESTATE TO SERVE THEIR PERSON, THEIR AUTONOMY AND TIMELINESS. WHICH CAN ONLY COME THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE COORDINATION WITH OTHER SYSTEMS.

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AKILES CERON: IT IS PARAMOUNT. AND WE BELIEVE THAT THAT'S WHERE ONE OF THE MOST OF THE VALUE COMES IN. THE FABRIC WILL HELP OR OLDER AT THOSE WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE IN SUBSTANTIAL HARMS WAY. HOW WE WILL RESPOND, HOW WELL WE RESPOND, HOW COORDINATED WE ARE IN THIS RESPONSE FOR IT TO BE EFFECTIVE.

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ANDREA HIGGENS: AND DO I NEED? THAT'S FINAL THOUGHTS FROM THAT ABSOLUTELY. AND I THINK ON THAT THAT SECOND TO THE TIMELY INTERVENTIONS TO PROTECT REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY. AND YOU KNOW, WE'VE TALKED ABOUT THIS KIND OF AGAIN ACROSS ALL 3 OF OUR AREAS OF FOCUS, THAT FOR A PARTICULAR, OUR ELDER ADULTS ARE OLDER ADULTS.

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ANDREA HIGGENS: IF THEY LOSE THEIR LIFE SAVINGS, IF THEY LOSE THE HOME WHERE THEY WANT IT TO AGE IN PLACE, THEN WE HAVE FAILED, AS YOU KNOW, A COMMUNITY IN OUR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT THEM. IF WE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO. THE MECHANISMS THAT WE HAVE IN PLACE CURRENTLY TO TRY TO FREEZE ASSETS IN CASES WHERE IT COMES TO OUR ATTENTION, EITHER ON THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SIDE. ON THE SOCIAL SERVICES SIDE.

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ANDREA HIGGENS: THOSE RESOURCES ARE REALLY LIMITED, AND THEY ARE VERY ARCANE, I GUESS, IS THE BEST WAY FOR ME TO DESCRIBE IT. FOR EXAMPLE, THE PROBATE CODE, 2,952 PROCESS IS VERY OBSCURE. IT IS TYPICALLY LED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, BUT NO ONE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT KNOWS HOW TO UTILIZE THIS PROCESS, SO WE NEED BETTER TOOLS FOR PROTECTING OLDER ADULTS AND DEPENDENT ADULTS RESOURCES

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ANDREA HIGGENS: IN THE MOMENT BEFORE ALL THOSE ASSETS HAVE GONE OUT THE DOOR, BECAUSE ONCE THEY'RE GONE, WHETHER IT'S TO A SCAMMER, OR WHETHER IT'S TO A FAMILY MEMBER, THOSE RESOURCES, EVEN IF WE FILE A CRIMINAL CASE, IT WILL TAKE YEARS MOST LIKELY TO EVEN CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF RESTITUTION. AND BY THE TIME RESTITUTION IS ORDERED THERE MAY NOT BE ANYTHING TO RECOUP FROM THE ABUSER. SO REALLY, WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO HAVE A MUCH BETTER OUTCOME FOR OUR OLDER INDEPENDENT ADULTS. FOLKS WHO HAVE BEEN VICTIMIZED FINANCIALLY. IF WE CAN ENHANCE SOME OF THOSE INTERVENTIONS FOR ASSET FREEZING, YOU KNOW AGAIN IN A TIMELY WAY.

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AKILES CERON: THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATION.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WOW! WHAT AN AMAZING!

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: YOU KNOW WHAT SUMMARY OF THESE CROSS-SECTIONAL ISSUES! I THINK IT REALLY SUMMARIZES A LOT OF THE A LOT OF THE DISCUSSION ON BOTH THE CONSERVATORSHIP AND THE LEGAL SERVICES, WORK GROUP AND BL. I SEE YOUR HAND RAISED BEFORE WE DO THAT. I WOULD BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T FIRST TURN TO JIM TRAGGIERI, WHO IS REALLY THE LEAD ON, YOU KNOW, HELPING FACILITATE AND THINK THROUGH THE THIS WORK GROUP IN PARTNERSHIP WITH RANJANA SO JIM WOULD WELCOME SOME FRAMING COMMENTS FROM YOU.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: YEAH, THANKS SO MUCH. SARAH REALLY EXCITED HUGE. THANK YOU AGAIN TO ACHILLES AND ANDREA FOR THE PRESENTATION. I THINK YOU KNOW; IT SHOULD BE REALLY OBVIOUS AT THIS POINT HOW ALIGNED; YOU KNOW THE WORK GROUPS ARE IN A LOT OF THIS THINKING AND THE EXCITING PART IS THAT REALLY HAPPENED ORGANICALLY. AND SO I THINK WHEN YOU HEAR THESE PRESENTATIONS, YOU SEE THE THROUGH LINES, YOU SEE THAT WE'RE HEADING TOWARDS A MORE COLLABORATIVE SPACE. AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY THE POWER OF EDDIE JCC. AND THIS TYPE OF CONVENING.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: YOU KNOW, AS SARAH MENTIONED, I ACTUALLY I WOULD BE REMISS IN SAYING, I AM ALSO FORMER LEGAL AID. I FEEL LIKE THIS IS LIKE AN ADMISSION NOW FORMER LEGAL AID AND THE SOCIAL WORKER. YOU KNOW, AND REALLY EXCITED, VERY NEW TO THE STATES. SO, I'VE ONLY BEEN AROUND FOR A COUPLE OF MONTHS, BUT I REALLY THINK THE FRAMING THAT I BRING TO THE ROLE. THAT, I HOPE IS A STRENGTH IS REALLY THAT SENSE OF COLLABORATION. AS STILL MENTIONED AS VIVIAN MENTIONED AS MANY OTHERS ON THIS CALL HAVE MENTIONED. YOU KNOW, IT REALLY TAKES A COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS THAT NEED THIS TYPE OF HELP, AND THAT REQUIRES OF US AT A LOT OF LEVELS AND AT OUR INDIVIDUAL ROLES AND DEPARTMENTS, TO REALLY REACH OUT ACROSS AND UNDERSTAND WHAT WE'RE DOING ACROSS DEPARTMENTS, TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE CAN LEVERAGE EACH OTHER'S EXPERTISE AND RESOURCES TO PRODUCE THE BEST RESULTS. I MEAN.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: THERE'S SO MANY EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES IN FRONT OF US, YOU KNOW ONE EXAMPLE. I WOULD SHARE THAT APS IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON, AS I KNOW, INITIATIVE 68 OF THE MASTER PLAN ON AGING IS AROUND TRAINING FOR ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES, SOCIAL WORKERS IN UNDERSTANDING AND ASSESSING DECISION, MAKING ABILITIES. AND SO, FOR OUR RESPONSE FOR OUR PROGRAM, WHAT THAT HAS MEANT IS IMPLEMENTING THE KERNEL PEN, INTERVIEWING FOR DECISIONAL ABILITIES, WORKSHOP AND TRAINING THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE OFFERING TO API SOCIAL WORKERS AROUND THE STATE.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: AND WHAT THAT REALLY FOCUSES ON IS KIND OF ASSESSING FUNCTIONAL LIMITATIONS. FUNCTIONAL. WHERE WE'RE AN OLDER ADULT, NEEDS A FUNCTIONAL SUPPORT, AND SO IS MOVING INTO A FRAMEWORK WHERE OUR APS SOCIAL WORKERS HAVE THE ABILITY, THE AUTHORITY AND THE SKILLS TO MAKE THE ASSESSMENTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE PRACTICALLY USEFUL IN SUPPORTING OLDER ADULTS, MOVING FORWARD AND CREATING LIKE WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT IDENTIFYING AND CREATING THOSE SUPPORT STRUCTURES THAT MAY SUPPORT THEM LONG TERM, AND MAY AVOID THE NEED FOR OTHER INTERVENTIONS LIKE A PROBATE CONSERVATORSHIP. AS WE AS WE TALKED ABOUT. SO

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JAMES TREGGIARI: I FEEL LIKE IN STEPPING INTO THIS ROLE I GOT. I GOT THE CHEAT SHEET WITH ACHILLES AND ALL THE GOOD THINKING AROUND THIS WORK. SO THAT'S JUST A PREVIEW OF SOME OF

THE WORK WE'RE DOING IN OUR WORK GROUP, AND I THINK YOU KNOW WE'RE JUST. WE'RE SO EXCITED TO SEE WHAT THE OTHER WORK GROUPS ARE DOING, AND TO AND TO BRING APS INTO THIS CONVERSATION IN THE WAY THAT IS COLLABORATIVE AND MEANINGFUL.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WONDERFUL! THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT, JIM, AND FOR JUST THE TREMENDOUS BACKGROUND AND LEADERSHIP YOU BRING TO THIS POSITION.

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BLANCA CASTRO: YEAH, I JUST WANTED. FIRST OF ALL, IT WAS AN EXCELLENT PRESENTATION, AND WANTED JUST TO SHARE WITH EVERYONE THAT SENATOR DODD INTRODUCED A BILL THIS YEAR. IT'S SB. 2 78. I'LL PUT THAT IN THE CHAT. IT DEALS SPECIFICALLY WITH FINANCIAL ABUSE, AND IT'S ALSO LOOKING AT HOLDING OTHERS ACCOUNTABLE IF THEY KNEW THAT THERE WAS SOMEBODY WHO WAS BEING. YOU KNOW, TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF, AND THAT INCLUDES BANKING EMPLOYEES. SO, I I'M SURE IT'S GONNA GET A LOT OF ATTENTION. BUT I JUST LEARNED ABOUT THAT TODAY. I'VE NOT READ THE WHOLE BILL OR DONE AN ANALYSIS JUST AN FYI

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: GREAT. THANK YOU FOR THAT UPDATE, BLANC. I APPRECIATE IT. SO WE HAVE VIVIAN UP NEXT, MAYBE.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: THANK YOU, AND THAT WAS A REALLY GREAT PRESENTATION. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT. I DID WANT TO BRING UP, I THINK. YOU KNOW, WHENEVER I'M TALKING ABOUT APS AT A LOCAL OR EVEN NATIONAL LEVEL. IT'S IMPORTANT TO THINK ABOUT THE EQUITY ISSUES WITH APS, AND ITS CONNECTIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: I KNOW THAT YOU KNOW WHAT APS HAS CONNECTIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT UTILIZES THEM IN DIFFERENT WAYS. BUT WE ALSO KNOW THAT THAT CONNECTION PREVENTS A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM ACCESSING APS SERVICES IN ANY WAY, BECAUSE THEY FEAR. YOU KNOW, NEGATIVE OUTCOMES FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT FOR THEMSELVES, FOR THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS WHO MAY BE POTENTIAL ABUSERS AND A LOT OF POTENTIAL ABUSE VICTIMS EVEN LOOK AT THE SO SUSTAINING ABUSE IS A BETTER OPTION THAN THE POSSIBLE OUTCOMES WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT WITH THEIR, YOU KNOW, ACCUSED OF, USER AND THAT'S A REALLY BIG PROBLEM THAT WE FACE, BECAUSE THAT MEANS THAT WE KNOW THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT ACCESSING SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM WHO NEED HELP, WHO ARE VICTIMS, AND IT IS OUR IT'S ON US. IT'S ON US IN THE SYSTEM THAT IT'S OUR IT'S OUR FAULT THAT THEY ARE NOT DOING THAT, BECAUSE THEY DON'T TRUST US FOR VERY LEGITIMATE REASONS. WE HAVE SERIOUS ISSUES OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: AND BIAS THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY, AND WE CAN'T RUN AWAY FROM THAT. SO, I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT IN ANY KIND OF REFORMS OR

PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE IMPLEMENTING IN WE'RE STARTING WITH APS IS THAT WE REALLY TAKE A VERY SERIOUS LOOK AT ANY CONNECTIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT THAT ARE CREATED, AND WE MAKE SURE THAT THERE IS A DISTINCT SEPARATION, SO THAT WE CAN ENSURE THAT PEOPLE ARE NOT DISCOURAGED FROM ACCESSING SERVICES BECAUSE OF THE CONNECTION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT.

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: AND IN ADDITION TO THAT, I KNOW THAT YOU KNOW, THERE WAS A LITTLE BIT OF DISCUSSION ABOUT, YOU KNOW, TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT THINGS LIKE THAT. I THINK THERE IS ROOM TO LOOK A LITTLE BIT DEEPER ABOUT TRAINING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT. AND WHAT THAT MEANS, AND IS THAT EVEN NECESSARY? WE DO KNOW THERE' BEEN STUDIES DONE THAT SHOW THAT TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT REGARDING IMPLICIT BIAS DOES NOT WORK. IT DOES NOT IMPROVE OUTCOMES. SO, DOES THAT MEAN THAT WE GIVE MORE MONEY TO LAW ENFORCEMENT THAT ALREADY TAKES UP SIGNIFICANT PORTIONS OF OUR BUDGETS? OR DOES THAT MEAN THAT WE TURN TO THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ALREADY ADEQUATELY TRAINED TO PROVIDE CULTURALLY COMPETENT TRAUMA-INFORMED SERVICES? AND WE GIVE THEM MORE MONEY, AND WE GET THEM

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VIVIANNE MBAKU (SHE/HER) JUSTICE IN AGING: IN THE PLACE TO PROVIDE AN ALTERNATIVE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT WHICH IT'S KIND OF HARD TO EVEN SAY ALTERNATIVE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, BECAUSE THERE REALLY ARE ANY OTHER ALTERNATIVES RIGHT NOW FOR A LOT OF CASES. SO I LEAN TOWARDS, YOU KNOW, REALLY FUNDING THE EXPERTS AND THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ON THE GROUND ALREADY DOING GREAT WORK IN ELDER JUSTICE, AND FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITIES, AND PROPERLY FUNDING THEM AND GIVING THEM THE SUPPORT THAT THEY NEED, SO THAT THEY CAN HELP AND PROVIDE THAT ALTERNATIVE.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT REALLY IMPORTANT PERSPECTIVE, VIVIAN: A LOT OF IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS IN TERMS OF HOW YOU KNOW THE COMMUNITY MAY OR MAY NOT UTILIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES. SO, APPRECIATE THAT VERY MUCH, HOWARD.

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HOWARD MCBROOM: HOW CAN YOU UNMUTE, I THINK. OKAY. OKAY, YEAH, THANK YOU. I DO HAVE ONE QUESTION. I NOTE THAT ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE COMMITTEE MEMBER AND COMMON ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS LIKE THAT, BUT PROBABLY QUOTE: WE FUNDED TO AND TO INCREASE MORE TEMPLE I CAN SHARE WITH A SEARCH OF PEOPLE.

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HOWARD MCBROOM: AND MY QUESTION IS JUST HOW TEMPORARY WOULD THE CONSERVATIVES SHOULD BE. AND WHAT WOULD BE EMPLOYED TO KEEP THAT QUOTE TEMPORARILY UNQUOTE CONTRIBUTORSHIP FROM THE COMING PART OF IT?

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: OKAY, SO THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, HOWARD. YOUR QUESTION WAS HOW WE'RE REALLY DEFINING TEMPORARY CONSERVATORSHIP. IF I'M HEARING YOU CORRECTLY, I DON'T KNOW IF ANY COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAVE WANT TO PROVIDE RESPONSES IN TERMS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE. IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CERTAINLY NOTE, AND I THINK PERHAPS IDENTIFY AS AN AREA FOR DISCUSSION IN THE WORK GROUPS. IF THAT WORKS.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: YOU KNOW, I THINK I WOULD. I WOULD EXPAND ON THAT RECOMMENDATION, AND THAT WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT REALLY FITS IN WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE THAT THE OTHER WORK GROUPS HAVE TALKED ABOUT IN THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT MEASURES THAT ARE REALLY FILLING THE GAP BETWEEN ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN, AND THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF CASES THAT START INVESTIGATION. WE'RE GETTING THAT INTERMEDIATE SUPPORT IN PLACE CAN TAKE A LONG TIME, AND CAN LEAVE AN OLDER ADULT. THAT'S SIGNIFICANT RISK. SO, IT'S LOOKING AT ALL OF THE TOOLS, YOU KNOW. TEMPORARY CONSERVATIVE SHIPS CERTAINLY MIGHT BE ONE.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: BUT I WOULD EXPAND THAT TO SAY, LOOKING AT ALL THE TOOLS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT PEOPLE IN THE VERY VULNERABLE SPIT SPACE THAT CAN LAST, FOR YOU KNOW, AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME, WHILE THE APPROPRIATE MEASURES GET PUT IN PLACE.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH, JIM, FOR JUMPING IN ON THAT. AND I'M SO PLEASED. AND NESTOR LOPEZ NESTOR, IF YOU COULD INTRODUCE YOURSELF, WE'RE SO GLAD TO HAVE YOU HERE.

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NESTOR LOPEZ, CWDA: HI, THERE! AND ESTER LOPEZ WITH CWDA. SO I AM THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR AGING DISABILITY AND LONG OLDER ADULT SERVICES AND JUST STARTED IN NOVEMBER OF THIS PAST YEAR. REALLY EXCITED TO BE WORKING WITH YOU ALL. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE. DIANE ALREADY DROPPED THIS IN OUR CHAT, BUT I WANTED TO LET FOLKS KNOW THAT C. DOD IS SPONSORING A BILL THIS YEAR A. B. 386, WITH AS ONLY MEMBER WHEN TO IMPROVE APS ACCESS TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION FROM FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO HELP PROTECT ASSETS AND FINANCIAL USE CASES. SO, DIANA DID DROP THE LINK INTO THE CHAT, SO PLEASE FEEL FREE TO TAKE A LOOK AT IT, AND WE'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO SEND YOU A FACT, SHE. SO THAT WAS MY BIG SHOUT OUT FROM CWG FOR TODAY'S MEETING. THANK YOU.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT UPDATE, AND I APPRECIATE IT. SIL.

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SIL VOSSLER: HI: YEAH. I ALSO HEARD SOMEBODY MENTIONED THAT SENATOR DODD BILL, AND I JUST THOUGHT I'D PUT A PLUG FOR THAT, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT WAS INTRODUCED BY CAOC, AND IT CLARIFIES THE APPLICATION OF THE FINANCIAL ABUSE ACT TO ESSENTIALLY SAY THAT SOMEBODY WHO

ASSISTS FINANCIAL ABUSE CAN BE HELD LIABLE IF THEY SHOULD KNOW THAT THEY ARE HELPING SOMEBODY TAKE THE PROPERTY OF AN ELDER, AND THAT IT'S GOING TO BE HARMFUL TO THE ELDER. THERE WAS A CASE FROM MAYBE 10 YEARS AGO.

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SIL VOSSLER: WHICH SAID THAT SOMEBODY CAN ONLY BE HELD LIABLE IF THEY HAVE ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE SCAM. AND SO, THIS IS CLARIFYING THAT IF SOMEBODY SHOULD KNOW THAT THEY'RE HELPING A SCAMMER, THEY CAN BE HELD LIABLE. AND SO, THIS IS GOING TO HELP A LOT OF SENIORS HOLD INSTITUTIONS AND OTHER PEOPLE LIABLE FOR FINANCIAL ABUSE IF THEY'RE IF THEY'RE ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT'S HARMFUL TO THE SENIOR. SO, I THINK PEOPLE SHOULD LOOK INTO THAT AND EXPRESS THEIR SUPPORT

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: TERRIFIC. THANK YOU FOR THAT VERY MUCH. AND LISA.

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LISA NERENBERG: YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THE OBSERVATION, AND I THINK I MADE IT IN THE WORK GROUP. THAT IS REALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO TALK ABOUT ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND ISOLATION WITHOUT TALKING ABOUT REPORTING A REPORTING LAWS. AND YOU KNOW. I THINK THAT IT GETS TO VIVIAN'S POINT TO ABOUT THE WAYS THE LAWS WORK. NOW, WHERE EVERY CASE IS SUPPOSED TO BE CROSS-RECORDED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, I THINK THOSE ARE THINGS THAT NEED TO BE RE-LOOKED AT. SO, I WOULD HOPE THAT THE APS GROUP BROADENS ITS PERSPECTIVE A LITTLE BIT TO LOOK AT REPORTING, AND, AS STILL POINTED OUT, THERE ARE A LOT OF THERE'S A LACK OF CLARITY IN SOME OF THE REPORTING LAWS, AND SO JUST, YOU KNOW, ADDING TO ALL THE NATURAL CONFUSION THAT COMES WITH ALL THESE ENTITIES THAT WORK TOGETHER.

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LISA NERENBERG: THE LANGUAGE OF THE LAW MAKES IT EVEN HARDER TO KIND OF FIGURE OUT WHAT SHOULD BE HAPPENING. I ALSO REALLY WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO THINK ABOUT 101. THE IDEA OF KIND OF ONE-STOP SHOPPING OR A CENTRALIZED POINT OF ENTRY, BECAUSE EVEN WITH THE WITH THE PRETTY, COMPLICATED CHART THAT YOU HAD ACHILLES, THERE'S STILL SO MANY MORE ENTITIES, YOU KNOW, IF ABUSES BY A PRIVATE PROFESSIONAL CONSERVATOR. YOU KNOW THAT'S ANOTHER AREA THAT YOU KNOW THAT MIGHT THAT POTENTIALLY, YOU KNOW, COULD BE A RESOURCE OR A REMEDY. YOU KNOW, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS HAVE THEIR WAYS OF DEALING WITH ETHICAL OR PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT. SO, IT'S I'M, LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT. AND THANK YOU FOR A GREAT PRESENTATION

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: ABSOLUTELY. I ALSO WANTED TO NOTE. I BELIEVE WE'VE BEEN JOINED BY LEE BILLS WITH CAL OES, WHO IS GOING TO GIVE AN UPDATE

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): ON THEIR RFP. FOR ELDER ABUSE PROGRAMS. LEE, ARE YOU? OH, THERE YOU ARE, PERFECT. THANK YOU. I'M SORRY MY VIDEO IS NOT STARTING FOR WHATEVER REASON. BUT I THOUGHT I WOULD OPEN.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): I THINK I JUST GOT THE ABILITY. OKAY, LET ME SHARE MY SCREEN. AND I PROMISE I WILL BE SWIFT. ARE YOU ALL ABLE TO, SEE? I JUST WANTED TO REALLY QUICKLY GIVE AN UPDATE ON OUR ELDER ABUSE PROGRAM. I'M FROM THE VICTIM SERVICES BRANCH OF KELLER. YES, AND WE. OUR FIDUCIARY AGENT. ESSENTIALLY, WE GIVE MONEY TO PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME. SO, WE'RE KIND OF A NICHE AND A LOT OF WHAT YOU'VE TALKED ABOUT IS WELL BEYOND OUR SCOPE. BUT WE DO HAVE A LITTLE KIND OF PIECE OR A PARTNER IN THIS WORK.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): AND THE MAIN PROGRAM THAT I THINK I WAS ASKED TO SPEAK ABOUT TODAY IS OUR ELDER ABUSE PROGRAM. AND IT IS GOING COMPETITIVE THIS YEAR. SO, IT'S PERFECT TIMING, AND I REALLY AM SO PLEASED TO BE ABLE TO COME AND TALK ABOUT IT, AND HOPEFULLY GET SOME OUTREACH BECAUSE THE PROGRAM IS GOING COMPETITIVE. OUR SOLICITATION WILL COME OUT SOMETIME IN JUNE FOR A JANUARY ONE START. IT'S ABOUT \$200,000 A YEAR FOR A 5 YEAR COMMITMENT. SO, WHEN WE FUND A PROJECT, WE FUND IT ANNUALLY WITH A NON COMPETITIVE REAPPLICATION FOR 4 ADDITIONAL YEARS. AND THE PURPOSE REALLY IS TO BUY, PROVIDE

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): AS HOLISTIC AS POSSIBLE RESPONSE TO ELDER, INDEPENDENT ADULT VICTIMS OF CRIME. RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE 24 PROJECTS, AND I BELIEVE ABOUT 10, MAYBE 9 OR 10 ARE DA BASED. 7 ARE NONPROFITS, CULTURALLY SPECIFIC NONPROFITS. 5 6 ARE IN OUR 5 OR 6 ARE IN SOCIAL COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES. I THINK WE HAVE ONE OMBUDSMAN. I BELIEVE THAT.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): SO, THIS IS A REALLY A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY. FOLKS CAN USE THE FUNDS FOR ANY KIND OF A RESPONSE TO THE NEEDS OF VICTIMS OF CRIME. IT IS NOT FOR PROSECUTION AND INVESTIGATION. IT IS WITH OUR VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT FUNDING THAT DOESN'T ALLOW FOR PROSECUTION OR INVESTIGATION.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): BUT IT IS FOR A LOT OF WHAT YOU'VE TALKED ABOUT, THOSE SERVICES THAT TO KIND OF HOLD IT ALL TOGETHER, CASE MANAGEMENT, ANY KIND OF SERVICE THAT IS IMPROVING SAFETY IMPROVING THE WELL BEING IMPROVING THE RESILIENCY OF THE ELDER. SO THAT'S OUR AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY. THAT'S COMING UP THIS JUNE, LIKE I SAID ONCE YOU'RE SELECTED FUNDING, WE DO COMMIT TO 5 YEARS OF FUNDING A LITTLE UNDER \$200,000 A YEAR FOR THE 5 YEARS. SO, A LITTLE BIT, YOU KNOW. ALMOST A 1 MILLION DOLLARS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY THAT'S COMING UP IS OUR INNOVATIVE RESPONSE TO MARGINALIZED VICTIMS, WHICH, OF COURSE, ELDER ABUSE FALLS INTO CURRENTLY. NONE OF OUR 41 RECIPIENTS HAVE CHOSEN TO FOCUS ON ELDER ABUSE AGAIN. MAIN REASON WHY I'M SO EXCITED TO BE TALKING TO ALL OF YOU. BECAUSE REALLY, DON'T, GET A LOT OF APPLICATIONS FOR THIS VERY MARGINALIZED, VERY VULNERABLE POPULATION, ALL THOSE INDEPENDENT ADULTS. AND SO, THIS PROGRAM IS REALLY WIDE OPEN. YOU CAN DO ANYTHING AGAIN. IT'S THE SAME FUN SOURCE, SO YOU CANNOT DO PROSECUTION OR INVESTIGATION, BUT YOU CAN PROVIDE REALLY WIDE. YOU CAN DO JUST ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE YOU MIGHT DO TO RESTORE A MEASURE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY. THIS FUNDING SOLICITATION WILL ALSO COME OUT IN JUNE. THE OTHER PROBLEM I WANT TO TALK ABOUT IS OUR LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND YOU KNOW WE REALLY HAD HOPED, AND OF COURSE, THE LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS OPEN TO ALL

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): IN TERMS OF CRIME, WHICH MEANS ELDERLY AS WELL. BUT WE'RE REALLY HOPING THAT FOLKS WOULD CHOOSE TO SPECIALIZE, BECAUSE I THINK I'VE HEARD A LOT TODAY WHEN FOLKS WERE TALKING IT'S YOU KNOW YOU THAT'S GREAT. YOU'RE A LAWYER, BUT YOU STILL NEED TO KNOW A LOT MORE ABOUT THE SERVICES AND DIFFERENT ROADS THAT THE OTHERS CAN GO DOWN TO REALLY PROVIDE HOLISTIC SERVICES. SO, THIS IS ANOTHER AREA WHERE WE ANTICIPATE A FUNDING OPPORTUNITY COMING OUT VERY SOON IN MARCH, AND IT CAN BE USED TO FOCUS SOLELY ON ELDERS IF THE AGENCY CHOOSES. RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE AMONG ALL OVER THE STATE, AND THEY DO FOCUS ON SERVING ALL VICTIMS OF CRIME, BOTH CRIMINAL AND CIVIL.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): AND THEN THE OTHER COMPONENT OF THIS PROGRAM WAS JUST REALLY USEFUL FOR A LOT OF ELDER FOLKS IS THAT WE ARE REALLY PUSHING FOR MOBILE LEGAL SERVICES. SO, TELE AND VIDEO CAPABILITIES WHERE PEOPLE CAN NOT HAVE TO DRIVE, TO GO SEE AN ATTORNEY, BUT INTERACT THEM IN A DIFFERENT WAY. LET'S SEE WHAT'S NEXT HERE. 3 OTHER PROGRAMS THAT I USUALLY HIGHLIGHT WHEN I TALK TO GROUPS THAT WORK SPECIFICALLY WITH AN UNDERSERVED OR MARGINALIZED POPULATION, ARE UNDERSERVED AND UNSERVED ADVOCACY OUTREACH PROGRAM THAT JUST WENT COMPETITIVE. SO ON GO COMPETITIVE AGAIN IN JUNE, 2,022. BUT I BELIEVE WE DO HAVE 6 OR 7 AGENCIES THAT ARE FOCUSING SOLELY ON ELDER ABUSE

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): AND LOOKING AT HOW CAN WE IMPACT THE LIVES OF ELDER ABUSE VICTIMS EXCLUSIVELY? SO THAT'S EXCITING, HEY. THIS PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED WITH APS IN MIND. WE DON'T HAVE ANY. I DON'T THINK WE HAVE ANY APS SUB RESIDENTS AT THIS TIME. BUT THE IDEA HERE IS THAT THERE ARE GROUPS OF PEOPLE WHO MAY NEED EMERGENCY HOUSING. BUT MAY ALSO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE THAT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GO TO A TRADITIONAL SHELTER OR A TRADITIONAL TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM. THEY MAY WANT TO BE IN A LOCATION AND NEED CAREGIVING. SAME THING. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT OUR COMMERCIAL AND EXPLOITED IT'S ACTUALLY COMMERCIAL. AND THESE ARE THE DIFFERENT.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): YOU KNOW. FOLKS CHOOSE ALL KINDS OF DIFFERENT THINGS. UNFORTUNATELY, WHAT WE SEE A LOT IS FOLKS WILL PICK WHEN WE LOOK AT OUR UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY ZOOM, CULTURALLY SPECIFIC COMMUNITY, OR THEY WILL SAY SPANISH SPEAKING, BUT THEY WON'T OFTEN SAY

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): ELDERS INDEPENDENT ADULTS. SO, IT'S. YOU KNOW. PART OF IT IS OUR OUTREACH. WE'RE NOT REACHING THE RIGHT FOLKS THAT ARE DOING THOSE WORKS. BUT WE'RE VERY INTERESTED IN THAT. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN GRANT, SOME OF THE AGENCIES THAT ARE DOING THIS WORK, THAT ON THIS GROUP MIGHT BE. GO TO OUR WEBSITE AND HIT SEARCH FOR GRANTS, AND THAT WILL TAKE YOU TO ALL OF OUR SOLICITATIONS. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN GETTING NOTIFIED WHEN WE HAVE A COMPETITIVE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY. YOU CAN GO HERE TO THE EMAIL NOTIFICATION, AND YOU WILL GET ON OUR LISTS, AND THEN YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN WE HAVE COMPETITIVE OPPORTUNITY FOR FUNDING. WE'VE BEEN REALLY GOOD ABOUT COMMITTING TO ONLY PUTTING COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS AND OUR PUBLIC OPINION. NOTICE THAT WE DON'T SEND ANYTHING ELSE OUT. SO, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET 100 EMAILS FROM US IF YOU SIGN UP HERE.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): AND LASTLY, I JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT THAT WE FUND STATEWIDE RESOURCE LIST, WHICH IS GREAT. IT'S THE 100 VICTIMS LIST, AND IT'S THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF RESOURCES FOR VICTIMS THAT I KNOW, AND I'VE BEEN WORKING HERE AT KELLY. YES, IN THE VICTIM SERVICES BRANCH FOR 20 SOME YEARS, AND I DON'T KNOW OF ANY OTHER.

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LEIGH BILLS, CAL OES (SHE/HER): LOTS OF FOLKS HAVE LOCAL RESOURCE LISTS THAT ARE VERY COMPREHENSIVE. BUT THIS IS THE ONLY STATEWIDE LIST THAT I'M AWARE OF, AND THIS IS JUST AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT YOU'D SEE IF YOU WERE TO SEARCH ALAMEDA AND ELDER ABUSE. THIS IS THE FIRST OF 2 PAGES OF SERVICES THAT WOULD COME UP. I'M SORRY IF YOU CAN HEAR MY DOG BARKING IN THE BACKGROUND, PLUS SHE'S 14, AND SHE'S GIVE A LITTLE BIT OF INFORMATION ABOUT HOW WE CONNECT TO THE WORK THAT ALL OF YOU ARE DOING.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: WONDERFUL. THANK YOU SO MUCH, LEE. IT'S WONDERFUL TO KNOW ABOUT THESE RESOURCES, AND WE'LL BE SURE TO SEND THEM OUT TO OUR NETWORK PARTNERS AS WELL, SO IMPORTANT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF LEVERAGING THESE SORTS OF OPPORTUNITIES. SO, WOW! WHAT IS VERY RICH DISCUSSION THAT WE'VE HAD ACROSS ALL THESE 3 WORK GROUPS I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT. ARE THERE ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS REGARDING THE APS DISCUSSION OR ANY OTHERS BEFORE WE TURN IT OVER TO A PUBLIC COMMENT, JIM, ANY CLOSING THOUGHTS FROM YOU.

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JAMES TREGGIARI: NO, I JUST REALLY APPRECIATE KALO. YES, IN MY IN MY FORMER ROLE WAS A WAS A GRANTEE. I KNOW THAT THEY'RE REALLY WONDERFUL TO WORK WITH AND REALLY ENCOURAGE INNOVATION. AND FOR YOU TO THINK. YOU KNOW, TO THINK OF NEW WAYS TO SERVE OLDER ADULTS.

SO, YOU KNOW I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU, IF YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT IT, TO CHECK IT OUT, BECAUSE THEY REALLY WERE A GREAT, A GREAT PARTNER IN THINKING ABOUT HOW TO MAKE FOR MORE ROBUST SERVICES IN TERMS OF THE WORK GROUP. YOU'LL HEAR MORE FROM US SOON, BUT YOU KNOW, FOR THE TIME BEING JUST REALLY APPRECIATE THE FEEDBACK FROM OTHERS, YOU KNOW, BEING NEW, I'M. REALLY IN LISTENING MODE. AND SO, A BIG PORTION OF THE WORK I'M DOING RIGHT NOW IS GETTING THAT FEEDBACK AND HEARING FROM DIFFERENT PROGRAMS AND DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES. SO

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JAMES TREGGIARI: THIS ISN'T: THE ONLY SPACE IN WHICH YOU CAN REACH ME, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT EMAIL. I THOUGHT THIS UP MEETINGS TO TALK TO YOU, TO HEAR YOUR CONCERNS. AND YEAH, REALLY, WANNA. MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE LISTENING, MOVING FORWARD.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: PERFECT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. I, TOO, FEEL LIKE THESE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE A GREAT TIME JUST TO LISTEN AND LEARN AND UNDERSTAND THE ISSUES. SO, BEFORE WE OPEN IT UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT. I SEE THAT CARLA PERSONATO HAS SOME COMMENTS WOULD WELCOME YOUR INPUT CARLA.

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CARLA PERSSINOTTO: I JUST THANKS SO MUCH FOR EVERYONE'S INCREDIBLY VALUABLE INFORMATION AND PERSPECTIVE, JUST AS A FOLLOW UP. AND AGAIN, COMING FROM THE CLINICIAN PERSPECTIVE IS, AS WE THINK, ABOUT ALL OF OUR ROLES. IT'S AMAZING HOW MANY CALLS I GET FROM COLLEAGUES, FROM RESIDENTS AND TRAINING, REALLY FEARFUL OF REPORTING TO APS ONE BECAUSE OF LACK OF UNDERSTANDING OF THE FOLLOW UP AND WHAT HAPPENS, AND THE FEAR OF WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE PATIENT CLINICIAN RELATIONSHIP, AND SOMETIMES BAD OUTCOMES TO FAMILY. SO JUST SOMETHING TO KEEP IN MIND AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS WORK ROPE.

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CARLA PERSSINOTTO: AND THEN THE SECOND POINT WHICH I PUT IN THE CHAT IS ALSO THE COMPLEXITIES THAT WE'RE NOT TRAINED AS CLINICIANS. WELL, ON DEATH CERTIFICATES, AND I'VE WRITTEN SOME COMMENTARIES ON THIS AND MEDICAL JOURNALS, AND THE ROLE OF HOW DO WE ACTUALLY DOCUMENT AND ACTUALLY REALLY KEEP TRACK OF WHEN DEPTHS HAVE ARE IMPLICATED, OR FOR POTENTIALLY A CAUSE OF OR DUE TO ELDER ABUSE. SO JUST SOME THOUGHTS ON FUTURE TRAINING NEEDS.

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CARLA PERSSINOTTO: SINCE THERE'S NOT ENOUGH WORK TO DO. IT MIGHT AS WELL ADD TO THE LIST. SO

SARAH STEENHAUSEN: YEAH, IT'S. IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO HEAR THAT THAT CLINICIANS' PERSPECTIVE. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT, CARLA VERY MUCH.

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: ALL RIGHT. WELL, AGAIN, THANK YOU TO ACHILLES AND ANDREA FOR LEADING THAT REALLY IMPORTANT DISCUSSION. AND TO ALL OF OUR PRESENTERS TODAY THIS HAS BEEN FANTASTIC, WANTED TO ALSO JUST APPRECIATE THE WORK OF RAJANA REGINA AND OF TANYA BATISTA, AND PREPARING FOR THIS, AND WE WILL HAVE SOME CLOSING COMMENTS, AND NEXT STEPS AS WELL. BUT BEFORE THAT WE'RE GOING TO OPEN IT UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS POINT.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): GREAT HI! EVERYBODY! SO JUST A REMINDER. IT'S ANOTHER CHANCE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT FOR 2 MIN, AND YOU CAN EITHER USE YOUR ZOOM SCREEN IF YOU'RE JOINING US ON ZOOM TOGGLING AT THE BOTTOM TO RAISE YOUR HAND TO ASK A QUESTION. IF YOU'RE ON THE PHONE, JUST PRESSING STAR 9 ON YOUR DIAL PAD, AND THEN WE WILL CALL YOU OUT IN THE ORDER THAT WE SEE YOU AND I'M JUST KIND OF GLANCING OVER HERE. I THOUGHT I SAW SOME HANDS RAISED BY I DO NOT ANYMORE.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): WELL. ONE HAND IS NOW RAISED 2 HANDS. OKAY, MONICA MILLER, I'M GOING TO UNMUTE YOUR LINE, AND THEN YOU CAN UNMUTE YOURSELF AS WELL AND MAKE YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT.

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MONICA MILLER: GREAT. THANK YOU EVERYONE SO MUCH, FOR ALLOW ME TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT TODAY. MONICA MILLER, SACRAMENTO ADVISORS REPRESENTING AN ORGANIZATION CALLED ACT 8, WHICH IS A CONSUMER-DRIVEN ORGANIZATION INTENDED TO HELP CONSUMERS AS THEY ARE TRANSITIONING MORE LOVED ONES INTO OUR CFE FACILITIES. WE ARE LOOKING TO INTRODUCE A LEGISLATIVE PIECE OF LEGISLATION THIS YEAR TO HOPEFULLY CODIFY ON SOME RULES AND SOME RESTRICTIONS WITH REGARD TO COMMUNICATION WITH FAMILY MEMBERS.

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MONICA MILLER: ONCE A ONCE A LOVED ONE'S BEEN PLACED AND MAKING SURE THAT THE CONSUMERS ARE IN FACT PROTECTED. WE LOOK FORWARD TO ONGOING CONVERSATIONS. WE'VE ALREADY HAD SOME GREAT CONVERSATIONS WITH SOME FOLKS ON THIS COMMITTEE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THOSE CONVERSATIONS, AND WE'LL REACH OUT TO OTHERS. BUT HAPPY TO BE AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS SHOULD THEY ARISE AT A LATER DATE. AND THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): THANK YOU, MONICA.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): UP NEXT. WE HAVE MAUREEN SULLIVAN MORE. NOW UNMUTE YOUR LINE. YOU CAN GO AHEAD.

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MAUREEN SULLIVAN: HI, MY I AM MAUREEN, SULLIVAN, AND I'M. WITH WEAVE. MANY OF YOU KNOW WE IN SACRAMENTO. IT WE DEAL WITH THE ALL KINDS OF VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE, AND OF COURSE, ELDER ABUSE AND DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE, AND I HEAD UP THAT AREA OF ELDER ABUSE AND DEPENDENT ADULTS ABUSE, AND JUST WANTED TO NOT EVEN PIGGYBACK, BUT SHARE WITH YOU THAT THOUGH WE ARE COUNTY LOCATED AND WE'RE COUNTY SPECIFIC, WE HAVE A MULTI DISCIPLINARY TEAM THAT IS SORT OF ADDRESSING ALL OF THE ISSUES THAT HAVE COME UP HERE, ESPECIALLY AROUND THE INTEGRATING THE COMMUNICATION AND SHARING COMMUNICATION AND GAP ANALYSIS. AGAIN, LOCAL

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MAUREEN SULLIVAN: SACRAMENTO COUNTY. WE MEET ONCE A MONTH OUR MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM TO WORK ON THIS, AND WE'RE ESTABLISHING GAP ANALYSIS AND PRO RESOLUTIONS OR SOLUTIONS TO THE GAP ANALYSIS AND HOPE TO HAVE A REPORT AGAIN ADDRESSING I'M. ENJOYING MOVING THIS FORWARD SO MUCH BECAUSE IT'S SO IMPORTANT. AND I LOVE SITTING IN ON THESE MEETINGS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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CDA ZOOM SUPPORT (MEGAN): THANK YOU, MAUREEN. I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER HANDS RAISED AT THE MOMENT, SARAH

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SARAH STEENHAUSEN: PERFECT. WELL, THEN, WITH THAT I WILL TURN IT OVER TO DIRECTOR SUSAN DEMAROIS

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: GREAT SARA, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR FACILITATING SUCH OUTSTANDING DISCUSSION. TODAY I'M JUST AWESTRUCK BY THESE 3 WORK GROUPS, AND THE WAY THAT THE INFORMATION IN THE MATERIAL WAS PRESENTED TODAY. SO, THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: I AM WITH SO MANY FORMER LEGAL AID ATTORNEYS ON I I'M NOT GOING TO SHARE A QUOTE AND NOT TAKE ATTRIBUTION. BUT LISTENING TO THE DISCUSSION TODAY, I'M THINKING OF DR. MAYA ANGELOU AND THE QUOTE: WHEN YOU KNOW BETTER, YOU DO BETTER. AND TODAY MY GOSH, I LEARNED A LOT FROM ALL OF YOU. AND THIS IS TRULY A THIS IS THE IDEAL OF WHAT A STAKEHOLDER COUNCIL THE PURPOSE THAT IT SERVES TO EDUCATE THE ADMINISTRATION, ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES THAT ARE REPRESENTED ON TODAY'S

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: WHO EITHER PRESENTED OR JOINED IN LISTENED MODE. WHAT A TERRIFIC RESOURCE ALL OF YOU ARE TO US, AND WE WILL MAKE GOOD USE OF THE INFORMATION SHARED TODAY. WE WILL CONTINUE THE WORK IN THE MONTHS BETWEEN NOW AND I BELIEVE OUR NEXT MEETING IS JUNE. I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE THAT ON OUR YES, JUNE TWENTIETH, SO WE WILL NOT BE IDLE BETWEEN NOW AND JUNE TWENTIETH, AS YOU HEARD FROM SEVERAL PEOPLE, LEGISLATION HAS BEEN INTRODUCED THAT TOUCHES ON A VARIETY OF THESE TOPICS.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: ALL OF THAT WILL BE ANALYZED BY THE APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, PLEASE, AS STAKEHOLDERS AND ADVOCATES. KEEP US INFORMED OF YOUR WORK. IF YOU HAVE BUDGET. BUDGET PROPOSALS THAT YOU'RE CARRYING, OR YOU'RE SUPPORTING, OR OPPOSING, AND IF YOU HAVE LEGISLATION THAT YOU'VE INTRODUCED, PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED SO THAT WE CAN FOLLOW THAT A LOT WILL HAPPEN IN THE BUDGET AND LEGISLATIVELY BETWEEN NOW AND JUNE THE TWENTIETH. SO, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO STAY APPRISED OF ALL OF THE WORK HAPPENING UP AND DOWN THE STATE. SO, THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR WORK GROUPS TO ERIC DOWDY, MY CO-CHAIR TO THE CDA STAFF AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES WHO ARE WITH US.

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SUSAN DEMAROIS: AND I CAN'T BELIEVE WE HAD SUCH A SUBSTANTIVE MEETING, AND WE MIGHT EVEN BE ENDING EARLY. SO THAT'S JUST UNHEARD OF. THANK YOU ALL, AND WE WILL SEE YOU OFFICIALLY AGAIN ON JUNE TWENTIETH, BUT WE'LL VISIT WITH YOU MANY TIMES BETWEEN NOW AND THEN. THANK YOU FOR AN EXCELLENT MEETING TODAY.