

**Contra Costa County In-Home Supportive Services
Public Authority Advisory Committee
June 20, 2017
Meeting Summary**

Members present: Sydney Anderson, Wilson Cheng, Mustafa Alsalihi (on the phone), Sarah Birdwell, Keegan Duncan and Wendell Snyder

Absent: Gary Gray, Joe Juarez and John Roe

Staff: Elizabeth Dondi and Beatriz Salgado

Roll Call and Introductions:

Chair Sydney Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:12 PM. Roll call was called and the sign-in sheet was completed. A quorum was established.

Sydney Anderson welcomed the new members and introductions were made.

Public Comment Period:

None

Individual Member Reports & Announcements:

Wendell Snyder reported on some issues he has been having with his current client.

Sara Birdwell wanted to know whether staff was aware of 21st Century Cures Act approved by the US congress on December 7, 2016. Sarah was especially concern about Title XII, Sec. 12006 which requires electronic visit verification system for personal care services and home health care services under Medicaid. This seems like a way of tracking caregivers and infringes on their privacy.

April 18, 2017 Meeting Summary:

Wilson Cheng moved and Wendell Snyder seconded a motion to approve the April 18, 2017 meeting summary with corrections. The motion carried; see votes below:

		Meeting Summary			
		Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
1	Mustafa Alsalihy				X
2	Sydney Anderson	X			
3	Sarah Birdwell	X			
4	Wilson Cheng	X			
5	Keegan Duncan				X
6	Gary Gray			X	
7	Joe Juarez			X	
8	John Roe			X	
9	Wendell Snyder				X

REPORTS:

Staff Report:

Elizabeth reported that three new members have joined the AC (Mustafa, Keegan and Wendell). Elizabeth also mentioned that PA staff continues to follow up with Supervisor Glover’s office for the fourth Candidate – Chantana. Today a representative in that office informed Elizabeth that they will be scheduling her for an interview soon.

Elizabeth also reported to the members that the Legislature passed the 2017-2018 budget on 6/15/2017. The trailer bill containing IHSS County funding – SB 90 also passed the Assembly and State Senate the same date and now goes to the Governor.

Elizabeth reported that the pilot for the new Electronic Timesheet (ETS) for the In-Home Supportive program went live in Riverside, Sacramento and Yolo Counties on June 5, 2017. The pilot will run for two months. If all goes well it will be made available to other counties. This functionality is optional for IHSS/WPCS consumers and providers. The benefits include a reduction in mailing time, reduction in submission time and real time information on status of submitted timesheets.

Elizabeth also reported regarding Paid Sick Leave for IHSS providers. Beginning July 1, 2018, an IHSS provider who works 100 hours or 30 calendar days within one year from the implementation date or the commencement of employment will earn 8 hours of paid sick leave. In order for a provider to use earned paid sick leave they

will need to work an additional 200 hours or 60 calendar days. Earned sick leave will need to be used within the fiscal year. There will be no carryovers, if not used the provider will lose it. CDSS plans to track paid sick leave in CMIPS II. More information will be coming out as CDSS continues to work on the implementation.

Elizabeth highlighted AB432 a legislative bill sponsored by California Association of Public Authorities (CAPA). The bill seeks to authorize the California In-Home Supportive Services Authority and certain other entities to meet and confer in good faith regarding wages, benefits and other terms and conditions of employment with representatives of recognized employee organizations for an individual who is employed by a recipient of Waiver Personal Care Services (WPCS) and would make conforming changes.

Elizabeth reported that the State informed PA that the billing part of the contract can only be process through CMIPS. Therefore, CDSS, HP, OSI, the contractor, County and PA staff have continued to work on pre-implementation activities to ensure that the reporting and payment process are set up correctly in CMIPS. Anticipated start date for the RR Program with the contractor is July 1, 2017 if all goes well.

Finally Elizabeth share with the AC members the Elder Abuse Prevention Flyer from CoCo Family Justice Center. The flyer shows services that the organization is offering with the purpose of preventing elder.

Chair Report:

None

Advisory Committee Expenditure Report:

The report for July 1, 2016 through May 26, 2017 was reviewed by the members.

Health, Safety & Education Committee:

No report as no meeting was held. Next meeting will be on July 11, 2017 at 1:00.

Rapid Response Committee Report:

No meeting was held. Elizabeth Dondi reported that the RR program plan to start providing services through the contractor on July 1st, 2017.

Nominating Committee Report:

No report as no meeting was held.

Advocacy Committee Report:

No report. Meeting will be held later today.

California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance (CICA) Report:

None

Independent Living Resource (ILR) Report:

No report as no meeting was held.

SEIU 2015 Report:

None

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

None

Other – agenda items for next meeting

None.

**Next Meeting: July 18, 2017
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, 500 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill**

Sydney Anderson, Chair

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