

**Contra Costa County In-Home Supportive Services
Advisory Committee Meeting
October 16, 2018 Meeting Summary**

Present: Mustafa Alsalihi, Sydney Anderson, Wilson Cheng, Michelle Hernandez, Joe Juarez, John Roe (On the phone) and Wendell Snyder.

Absent: Keegan Duncan and Chantana Vornvilaipan

Staff: Lorena Orellana and Beatriz Salgado

Guests: None

Roll Call and Introductions:

Sydney Anderson, Chair of the AC Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:29 pm. Roll call and the sign-in sheet were completed. A quorum was established.

Public Comment Period:

None

Individual Member Reports & Announcements

None

September 18, 2018 Meeting Summary

Wendell Snyder moved, Wilson Cheng seconded, to approve the September 18, 2018 meeting summary as written. The motion carried; see votes below:

		Meeting Summary			
		Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
1	Mustafa Alsalihi	x			
2	Sydney Anderson	x			
3	Wilson Cheng	x			
4	Keegan Duncan			x	
5	Michelle Hernandez	x			
6	Joe Juarez	x			
7	John Roe	x			
8	Wendell Snyder	x			
9	Chantana Vornvilaipan			x	

REPORTS

Fraud/Quality Assurance Report:

For the 1st. Quarter FY 2018-2019, Anthony Macias, Quality Assurance and Program Integrity Supervisor and Analyst for Contra Costa County IHSS, gave the fraud report as follows:

This quarter QA received a total of 37 fraud complaints, most were received through data matches directly from the hospitals, nursing homes or community care facilities, some were filed by the recipients themselves, and others were filed by providers or family members. Most of these complaints were dropped without any action, or referred for administrative action.

Five of these cases had findings resulted in a reduction of a total number of 542 hours. QA discovered a potential loss of \$48,353.36.

Anthony also reported that QA conducted 66 case reviews, including 11 home visits. Out of the 66 reviews, 50 of them were timely assessed, 10 of these cases required no action, the remaining required an additional assessment or other changes to be completed.

Anthony also announced that this is the last report he will presenting to the AC members. Anthony will be leaving IHSS on November 1, 2018 to begin his new position with the Aging and Adult Services Bureau.

Finally, Anthony mentioned that the State will begin the Pilot Program for the implementation of the EVV (Electronic Visit Verification) next week.

Staff Reports:

Lorena gave an update on some of the legislative bills that CAPA (California Association of Pubic Authorities) is following:

SB1040–In-Home Supportive Services: natural disaster resulting in a state of emergency. This bill would require a county to use a void and reissue warrant process for any provider who lost or had damage to an uncashed warrant because of a natural disaster resulting in a state of emergency. This bill would require a county, including a city and county, at the next update to its emergency plan, to integrate and require the assessment and provision of supportive services to IHSS recipients. **This bill was signed to law.**

AB1909-Clarifies that State Department of Social Services is required to provide translation of written content, as defined, in languages spoken by a substantial number of providers of In-Home Supportive Services. **This bill was vetoed.**

AB 3082 –Would require the State Department of Social Services, on or before July 1, 2019, in consultation with interested stakeholders, to develop a program to address the issue of sexual harassment of IHSS providers. The bill would require the program to include a uniform statewide protocol to follow whenever a provider reports sexual harassment, a continuing program of sexual harassment education for providers and recipients, a procedure for providers to report sexual harassment with guidelines and timelines for investigation, and a procedure to ensure protection against retaliation. The bill would require the department, on or before July 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, to submit a report to the Legislature summarizing the outcomes of the program. **This bill was signed to law on September 30, 2018.**

Finally, per John’s request, Lorena updated the status of **AB 2233- Medi-Cal: Assisted Living Waiver as vetoed by the Governor.**

Chair Report:

Sydney reported on the Bethel Island 3rd Annual Health and Safety Fair which took place on Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Scout Hall 3090 Ranch Lane, Bethel Island, CA 94511. Sydney mentioned that the event did not have many participants and next year it will be better advertised.

Advisory Committee Expenditure Report:

The report for July 2018 through September 17, 2018 was presented for committee review.

Health, Safety & Education Committee Report:

No report as there was no meeting. Next meeting will be on November 13, 2018.

Rapid Response Committee Report:

No report as there was no meeting. Next meeting will be on November 13, 2018.

Nominating Committee Report:

No report as there was no meeting. Next meeting will be following this meeting. Sydney realized that the Nominating Sub-committee meeting should be before the AC meeting because the Nominating Sub-Committee is supposed to provide names of the Chair and Vice-Chair nominees to the AC so the AC members can

vote. Due to the mistake, the AC members agreed to take nominations from the floor.

The nominations for 2019 turned out as follow:

Chair: John Roe and Joe Juarez

Vice Chair: Mustafa Alsalihi

Advocacy Committee Report:

No report, as there was no meeting. No meeting is scheduled.

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

None

Independent Living Resource (ILR) Report:

Wilson reported that ILR met today before the AC meeting. The meeting focused on the planning of their upcoming fundraising event scheduled for Saturday, March 2, 2019, 5:30 pm at the IBEW Local 302 in Martinez, CA.

SEIU 2015 Report:

Mustafa Alsalihi reported that SEIU 2015 was successful in their effort to delay the implementation of EVV (Electronic Visit Verification). The Union will continue their effort to stop this project. Mustafa also mentioned that SEIU 2015 was successful in securing the following priority bills into law as is: AB 3082 (already mentioned by Lorena) and AB 2455, which requires the Department of Social Services to establish and maintain a registry of registered home care aides and home care aide applicants on the department's Internet Web site, as provided. The act prohibits the registry on the Internet Web site from providing any additional individually identifiable information about a registered home care aide or home care aide applicant.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Next meeting: November 15, 2018.

Sydney adjourned the meeting at 2:38pm.

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, 500 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill

Sydney Anderson, Chair

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