

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (AC-IHSS) Meeting Draft Minutes Thursday, May 4, 2023 | 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm In Person and Via Zoom Conference Call

Advisory Committee Members Present	County of Alameda Staff Present
Warren Cushman (Chair)	Nicole Hayes, Executive Director of PA
Shawn Costello	Saundra Pearson
Hannah Karpilow	Mitzi Richardson
Rafe Biggs (teleconference)	Everett Robinson
	Ericka Medina (note taker)
Committee Members Absent	Public Present
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A. CALL TO ORDER	Meeting Chaired by Warren Cushman 1:35pm Start Roll Call of Commissioners Quorum achieved



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B. CONSENT CALENDAR	 (1) Review and approve Agenda: May 4, 2023, Meeting Agenda Motion to Approve: Shawn Collins Motion Passed: Meeting Agenda adopted by Committee. (2) Review and approve Minutes of 1/12/23 Motion to Approve: Shawn Collins Motion: Committee will need more time to review. Tabled for next meeting.
C. AAD ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES	 Budget a. This year the state faces at least a \$22.5 billion shortfall. The extension of the tax deadline to October 16th means we may not be truly aware of the budget gap in time for the July 1st budget deadline. Governor Newsom has made clear he does not intend to touch the state's reserve funds. The good news is IHSS is not being impacted by this budget deficit to date and we do not anticipate that will happen. b. The County's budget will be balanced, and we will have to fill in gaps, as per most years. We do not anticipate layoffs to help balance the budget no slashing programs. Our spending will continue to be conservative. AB1313 a. Senior Services Coalition put forward a bill supported by Alameda County, Napa County and Marin County that will invest. \$400 million of state funds to support ongoing case management programs for older adults that are not quite "poor enough." The social isolation the pandemic unfurled in the state and the reality that this program has gone unfunded for years offers a compelling reason for this legislation. AB1387- Undocumented IHSS Providers a. San Francisco County is leading legislation with Alameda County's formal support that will allow undocumented individuals in the state to become IHSS Providers. This approach is in part a response to the growing IHSS caseloads that now includes individuals aged 50 and older regardless of their immigration status that are now eligible for MediCal. AB 1672-Collective Bargaining for IHSS Providers a. There is discussion around creating and passing legislation that will allow california Department of Social Services (CDSS) to negotiate with all labor organizations on behalf of IHSS Providers to negotiate with the various labor organizations around contracts f



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D. BROWN ACT	The Brown Act a. Commissioners and voting members of committees and boards will not be able to meet virtually 100% of the time, based on the current Brown Act legislation. While there is legislation pending at the state level, the current requirements of the Brown Act are in effect. Note the following: Newly Added Teleconference Rules Available Jan. 1, 2023 Under the new teleconference rules, a board/commission may hold a "hybrid" (partial teleconference, partial in-person) meeting without having to comply with certain procedural requirements (post agendas at teleconference locations, identify teleconference locations in the agenda, make all teleconference locations open to the public) in the following limited	
	circumstances: 1. One or more members of the board/commission (but less than a quorum) have "just cause" for not attending the meeting in person. Just cause is defined as: a. childcare or family caregiving need	
	 b. contagious illness c. physical or mental disability need, or d. travel while on official public business) 	
	 One or more members of the board/commission (but less than a quorum) experience an emergency circumstance (a physical or family medical emergency that prevents in-person attendance). 	
	In order to participate remotely under the just cause provisions, the member must notify the board/commission at the earliest possible opportunity, including at the start of a meeting, of their need to participate remotely and provide a general description of the circumstances related to one of the four items in #1, above.	
	Emergency circumstances means a physical or family medical emergency that prevents a member from attending in person. In order to participate remotely under the emergency circumstances provisions, the member must request that the board/commission allow them to participate in the meeting remotely because of emergency circumstances and the board/commission must take action to approve the request.	
	A member must make a request to participate remotely under the emergency circumstances provisions as soon as possible. The board/commission may take action on this request at the earliest opportunity. If the request does not allow sufficient time to place it on the agenda for the meeting for which the	



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	request is made, the board/commission may take action on the request at the beginning of the meeting by majority vote. The board/commission must request a general description of the circumstances relating to the member's need to appear remotely. This description does not have to be more than 20 words and the member does not have to disclose any personal medical information.
E. PUBLIC AUTHORITY UPDATES	 Training Public Authority will host many trainings this month. Some of the trainings are offered in Spanish as well as English. There will be trainings on such topics as; Compassionate Care, Working with a care giver, Basic Estate Planning, and Wills & Trust. A stand out this month is "How to Age in place" presented by legal assistance for seniors (LAS)Outreach worker Jennifer Pardini. We are working on having CPR and Personal Care trainings in person. Registration for all trainings can be found on our website: https://ac-pa4ihss.org/consumers/recipient-training/ https://ac-pa4ihss.org/our-services/training/ HEALTH BENEFITS Once a year we offer providers open dental enrollment. There are currently 5653 providers enrolled in the plan. REGISTRY As of 4/30/23 there are1092 total active providers. In the month of April, we added 22 new providers.
G. AC-IHSS BYLAWS DISCUSSION	 Changes the committee requested to the Bylaws are being reviewed with the Board of Supervisors at a second reading.
H. SUBCOMMITEE REPORTS	 Committee member Hannah is working with Public Authority Executive Director to create an informational survey for recipients matched with providers through the Registry. Compassionate Care is a training required to be completed by providers to be added to the registry.



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I. RECRUITMENT	 Recruitment Waiting for Board of Supervisors to add pending new member application to agenda for approval. SEIU Local 2015 is trying to recruit providers for the committee. Warren and Hannah will follow up on another recruitment application.
J. OTHER ITEMS	 California In Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance (CICA) AB1672 was discussed at the last meeting. Public Authority Newsletter The department will relaunch the Public Authority Newsletter in June. This will be an additional tool to get information out to our providers. and consumers. Committee members are asked to contribute. Next Meeting: Thursday, July 6, 2023
K. ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 2:32 PM