

**Riverside County In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)
Advisory Committee (A.C.)
QUARTERLY MEETING**

August 6, 2020

1:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Web-Ex & Teleconference

12125 Day Street, #S-101, Moreno Valley, CA 92557

MINUTES

IHSS AC Members Present

Felice Connolly
Barbara Mitchell
Denise Fleming
Kristine Loomis
Donald Brock
Dwight Solis

Dept of Public Social Services (DPSS)- IHSS Program Staff

Lue Thao
Todd Bellanca
DPSS Fiscal
Denise Kabuye
Monica Bentley

UDW

Yvette Elam

IHSS Public Authority

Eva Krottmayer

ASD Administration/Recorder of Minutes

Christina Rios, Secretary II

I. Call to Order

Denise Fleming called the meeting to order.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Barbara Mitchell led committee members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Introductions

Introductions were made.

IV. Adoption and Approval of Minutes from June 11th, 2020 Regular Meeting for the In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee.

Approved

V. Board Secretary

Additions to the current A.C. agenda

Elections for new officers will be in the October meeting.

VI. Follow-up Items June 11, 2020

No Follow-Up Items

VII. Discussion Items and Reports

A. Executive Committee Update (*Denise Fleming*)

- Provider Appreciation Event

The committee is meeting on a weekly basis. Currently looking for a location in Indio (Desert Region) on November 18th, November 19th will be in Moreno Valley (Mid Region),

November 5th and 12th will be a 1 hour webinar. The committee will reach out to vendors soon and figure out the setup. The IHSS AC will contribute magnifiers, pens, brochures, and any outreach related items. The policy in the budget does not allow food and gift cards to be contributed.

- Provider Outreach & Recruitment video -The recruitment video was shared.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hguCEjh0Xv0>
- IHSS Advisory Committee (AC) Webpage (under PA website)
Christina will create a link on the Public Authority (PA) website that will include the AC members biography, contact information, posting of the IHSS AC agenda, minutes, and recruitment information.

Action Item: Create flyer promoting the website

- Essential Protective Gear (EPG) Supplies distribution
The AC will hold off on distributing any supplies for now and will wait for November's providers appreciation event.

B. In-Home Supportive Services Update (Todd Bellanca/Ryan Uhlenkott)

- IHSS Budget (Monica Bentley)
In the initial governor's budget in January for IHSS and PA had a slight increase but because of COVID-19 the budget was revised. The Final budget for IHSS and PA remained flat; sales tax revenue was lower than projected which impacted realignment and is part of the funding for IHSS. DPSS is looking at month-to-month projections instead of long-term projections, is monitoring the situation on a regular basis, and will continue to make adjustments as needed.
- Office Closures (Todd Bellanca)
The executive office and all departments will remain closed until September 8th. The main service point for IHSS is online services. Forms, applications process, and other resources are available at <https://riversideihss.org/>. The second delivery option is telephonic, 23% of recipients that call the HOME line are able to self-serve. The third option is HOME agents, and the fourth delivery options is to set an appointment with an individual to meet at one of the IHSS offices if any of the other three non-face-to-face options work.
- COVID-19 Update
The state provided exceptions for IHSS. IHSS is not required to make face-to-face contact to conduct an initial assessment and reassessment, the options are video meeting or via telephone. Ryan shared the IHSS website to explain the new changes to the website.

Action Items: The executive team will reevaluate the initial, and reassessment forms to be available PDF and to allow electronic signatures.

C. Public Authority Update (Eva Krottmayer)

- PA Budget Update
No additional information what Monica Bentley provided.
- PA Office Closure
Office is currently closed.

- Media campaign updates
PA participated in an interview with KPCC radio for training and recruitment. ABC channel 7 will post a LIVE interview with Gene Kennedy for anyone looking for a caregiver job. PA is waiting for the COVID-19 restriction to lift to post flyer in churches, grocery stores, other public areas.

Break

D. Office on Aging Advisory Council Update (*Barbara Mitchell/Donald Brock*)

Next meeting is August 12th, 2020 and will attend a Brown Act training. Office on Aging will resume monthly meetings via webinar using Microsoft point.

Action Item: Barbara will send Eva the information for the Brown Act training for others to join.

E. Advocacy for the Disabled Update (*Paul Van Doren*)

F. California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance (CICA) Update (*Kristine Loomis*)

Kristine was not able to attend the last meeting and does not have received the video recording.

G. CCI Stakeholder Meeting Update (*Felice Connolly*)

Kristine Loomis reported that concerns had been expressed during the last meeting about Medi-Cal annual eligibility issues in Riverside County. Apparently, some recipients were being disqualified and having problems resolving issues at the local level without going to Hearing. San Bernardino was reported as having some similar issues. Next meeting is on August 12th but will not be able to attend. Kristen Loomis will be in the meeting.

H. IHSS Advisory Committee Budget Update (*Denise Fleming*)

- Review of budget documents
Christina shared the budget page 19/20 FY and 20/21 FY.
- Item purchases for event outreach
IHSS Advisory committee requested to order an additional 250 pens and more earthquake emergency refrigerator magnet. The budget is \$500.

I. Training Committee Update (*Eva Krottmayer/Denise Flemings*)

- Presentation "Wearing a Mask" (Denise Fleming)
Denise shared a video that will be beneficial for providers and recipients to know the basics of COVID-19 in Riverside County.
- Upcoming Training: Office on Aging & UCLA (Rowena)
PA is scheduling COVID-related training on Tuesdays in September and in October with UCLA and Red Cross.

J. Networking Report (*Felice Connolly*)

- Update on gathering of information from other Advisory Committees to inquire how other counties are meeting.
No Updates.

VIII. **Announcements**

IX. **Roundtable**

X. **Adjournment**

XI. **The meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.**

Next Meeting: **October 15th, 2020**
 Zoom Meeting
 In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority
 12125 Day Street, Suite S-101 Training Room
 Moreno Valley, CA 92557

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Rios,
Secretary II for Eva Krottmayer
IHSS Public Authority