

# IHSS/PA Advisory Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2021

3:00 p.m.

	Delfina Alvarez	X	Rosa Ortiz
X	Jacob Lesner-Buxton	X	Patricia Puentes
	James Importante (CEO's Office)	X	Maria Alvarez
X	Irma Nunez	X	Leticia Ortega (non-voting)
X	Ramon Ortiz	X	Aracely Preciado (non-voting)

Item #	Topic	Discussion
1.	Call to order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The regular meeting of the IHSS Public Authority Advisory Committee was called to order at 3:03 PM.</li> </ul>
2.	Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There was an inquiry on the mandated Sexual Harassment Prevention training. This was discussed during Advisory Committee Business.</li> </ul>
3.	Read and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrique Guevara read the Advisory Committee Meeting minutes for 3/17/2021.</li> <li>Patricia Puentes approved the minutes and Maria Alvarez seconded the minutes.</li> </ul>
4.	Advisory Committee Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conversation resumed with AB 1661 Sexual Harassment Prevention training.</li> <li>Accommodations will be arranged for members who are unable to complete the AB 1661 Sexual Harassment Prevention training online or need a translation.</li> <li>Three members were identified. Public Authority will coordinate the training with translation services and committee members.</li> </ul>
5.	Union Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aracely from SEIU2015 provided the union update.</li> <li>SEIU2015 has completed 4000 calls towards passing the American Rescue Plan.</li> <li>There was a call on April 14<sup>th</sup>. Members across the state made calls to politicians for the American Job plan. The plan includes 400 billion dollars in long term care.</li> <li>The bargaining team has been formed. Contract negotiations for providers will start Friday 4/23/2021.</li> <li>There have been collaborations with different agencies for vaccination distributions. There have been two events, one with the Central Labor Council and another with the County on April 19<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>A May day, May 1<sup>st</sup>, event is being planned. Details are being finalized, but it will focus on immigrant rights. Possibly, there will be a caravan starting at the Oxnard Performing Arts Center.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We Can Do it campaign continues to promote and encourage Covid-19 vaccines.</li> </ul>
6.	Public Authority Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a new state benefit for provider Covid-19 sick pay similar to the federal state benefit that ended March 31, 2021.</li> <li>• The new state Covid-19 sick pay will be for January 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021.</li> <li>• It includes the same criteria as the federal Covid-19 sick pay, but now includes two additional options for submitting a claim.</li> <li>• The two additional options are related to providers attending a Covid-19 vaccination appointment or recovery from having received a Covid-19 vaccination.</li> <li>• Providers can claim up to 80 hours a week if they are full time. For providers who aren't full time they receive benefits based on a two week average of time they work.</li> <li>• Providers can contact the Public Authority provider line, (805) 654-3416, for further information. The claim forms can also be requested on the provider line.</li> <li>• The Covid-19 sick pay forms were provided by the state in English only.</li> <li>• These new COVID-19 benefits are separate from the regular sick pay providers receive. The benefits can be claimed together.</li> <li>• Mask and glove distributions continue at both the Ventura and Simi Valley Public Authority offices. Requests can be made on the Public Authority provider line. Distributions are for recipients and IHSS providers.</li> <li>• Recruitment for Public Authority IHSS providers continues. Please provide information to anyone who is interested. Applications can be requested on the Public Authority provider line.</li> <li>• Ramon advised of a provider he knew who explained that the enrollment process was taking too long. Concern will be followed up after the Advisory Committee meeting to receive contact information for the provider.</li> <li>• The vaccination criteria expanded to include everyone 16 and older.</li> <li>• The county has been offering pop-up vaccination sites. SEIU2015 has assisted at these sites. No registration is required. All are welcome to attend.</li> <li>• Two more pop-up sites are scheduled for first dose vaccinations on 4/23/21 and 4/24/21.</li> <li>• On 4/23/21 there will be a pop-up vaccination site at the Santa Paula Community Center. 530 W Main Street, Santa Paula, CA 93060. The clinic will be from 9:30 AM to 3 PM. It will be for the Moderna vaccine.</li> <li>• On 4/24/21 there will be a pop-up site at Mission Produce in Oxnard from 9:30 AM to 3 PM. The address is 2901 Camino Del Sol, Oxnard, Ca 93030. It will be for the Moderna vaccine.</li> <li>• Vaccine information is located at <a href="http://www.venturacountyrecovers.org">www.venturacountyrecovers.org</a>.</li> </ul>

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7.	Next Meeting and Agenda Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agenda items can be emailed to Enrique Guevara.</li> <li>• The next meeting will be May 19th, 2021.</li> </ul>
8.	Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.</li> </ul>

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*Next meeting, May 19, 2021 will be via teleconference*

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*Minutes submitted by: Enrique Guevara*