

IHSS/PA Advisory Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2022

3:00 p.m.

Call-in Number: 805-947-0499

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

Item #	Topic	Discussion
1.	Call to order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The regular meeting of the IHSS Public Authority Advisory Committee was called to order at 3:02 p.m.
2.	Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no public comments.
3.	Read and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrique Guevara read the Advisory Committee Meeting minutes for 2/16/22. Committee Member Ramon Ortiz motioned to approve the previous meetings' minutes. Committee Member Patricia Gamboa Puentes seconded the motion.
4.	Advisory Committee Business	<p><i>Career Pathways Initiative Informational Session</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee Member Ramon attended the Career Pathways Initiative Informational Session on 3/10/22. Information was provided on general ideas the trainings would touch on. These included Dementia, Alzheimer's, general medical assistance, and other topics. State trainings will begin to be offered in September or October. Information on applying is forthcoming. There will be various benefits available to providers which include stipends for State training hours and overtime for services in excess of 66 weekly hours. There will also be opportunities for those seeking higher education to further themselves in related healthcare fields. All are encouraged to attend these public listening sessions as there will be more. Public Authority will continue to share these information session details as they become available. <p><i>Medi-Cal Eligibility Expansion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to new State regulations beginning May 1st Medi-Cal eligibility criteria and benefits are being expanded. Individuals who are 50 years of age or older and meet all other eligibility requirements will now be eligible for full scope Medi-Cal regardless of immigration status. Full scope Medi-Cal includes dental, vision and IHSS services.

5.	Union Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A union update was not provided.
6.	Public Authority Update	<p><i>Office Reopening</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On 4/4/2022 Human Services Agency will be reopening. This will include the Ventura and Simi Valley Public Authority offices. Office hours will be Monday through Friday 8 AM to 5 PM. <p><i>IHSS Provider Training</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After the training survey feedback and planning, Public Authority is offering IHSS provider trainings beginning late March 2022. • Public Authority has partnered with Independence at Home to offer Zoom English and Spanish trainings to IHSS providers. • Trainings will cover a variety of topics related to health, nutrition, safety, emotional health, and more. A training calendar is being prepared to share on the Public Authority website. • Information on the March 2022 PA trainings was shared on this month's Provider Newsletter. • Trainings can be scheduled through the Public Authority provider line (805) 654-3416. Providers must register in advance. • These trainings are a separate training than those that will be offered by the State via the Career Pathways. All providers are welcome to attend. Trainings will be one to two hours in length. Providers are not being paid to participate in the County-offered trainings. <p><i>Medi-Cal Navigators</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are two community-based organizations contracted through the end of June 2022 that are assisting with Medi-Cal enrollment and renewals. • These organizations are MICOP and Interface. • Both offer assistance in English and Spanish. MICOP also assists with Mixteco speaking clients. • The contact number for Interface is (833) 607-2650. • The contact number for MICOP is (805) 215-0730. • Clinicas del Camino Real also provides assistance with Medi-Cal enrollment.
7.	Next Meeting and Agenda Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda items can be emailed to Enrique Guevara. • The next meeting will be April 20th, 2022.
8.	Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Next meeting, April 20, 2022 will be via teleconference

Minutes submitted by: Enrique Guevara