

# IHSS/PA Advisory Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2022

3:00 p.m.

Call-in Number: 805-947-0499

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

Item #	Topic	Discussion
1.	<b>Call to order</b>	<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.	<b>Public Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There were no Public Comments.</li> </ul>
3.	<b>Read and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrique Guevara read the Advisory Committee Meeting minutes for 08/17/22.</li> <li>• Committee Member Patricia Gamboa Puentes approved the minutes and Committee Member Aracely Preciado seconded the minutes.</li> </ul>
4.	<b>Advisory Committee Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No items were presented for Advisory Committee Business.</li> </ul>
5.	<b>Union Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee Member Aracely Preciado provided the union update.</li> <li>• On August 26, 2022 SEIU2015 made over 200 distributions of PPE in Oxnard and in Simi Valley. This PPE included kits with masks, hand sanitizer, and Covid 19 tests. Distributions were made while supplies lasted.</li> <li>• The SEIU2015 attended the Central Coast Labor Council picnic. This included a picnic, raffles, fun and games.</li> <li>• SEIU2015 has started its political work by conducting outreach to voters and have identified the candidate they will endorse for county supervisor.</li> </ul>
6.	<b>Public Authority Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two initiatives are being rolled out by the State 10/01/2022.</li> </ul> <p><i>Career Pathways</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first is the Career Pathways Initiative. This is an exciting new program which facilitates skill building and career growth for IHSS care providers through training opportunities statewide.</li> <li>• These training opportunities are free to IHSS care providers. There are monetary incentives for those who complete sufficient training credits and meet specialized care giving requirements.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Career Pathways website has launched. <a href="https://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/cdss-programs/ihss/ihss-career-pathways-program">https://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/cdss-programs/ihss/ihss-career-pathways-program</a></li> <li>• The trainings are extensive. The complete catalogu is available on the Career Pathways website. Some trainings include food preparation, medication management, understanding diabetes, and much more.</li> <li>• Registration for Career Pathway trainings has begun. Information on course registration is available on the Career Pathways training catalogue. The first trainings will be held in October 2022.</li> <li>• More trainings will be made available in 2023.</li> <li>• The State will be providing coaching services to assist providers with general questions and registration assistance.</li> </ul> <p><i>Back-up Provider Program</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The back-up provider program will be implemented statewide.</li> <li>• This will replace the COVID-19 provider back-up program that was in place until June 30<sup>th</sup> of this year as that was temporary and this new program is permanent. Both offer a \$2 increase of the current hourly IHSS care provider pay rate for back-up assignments.</li> <li>• IHSS care providers participating will be on call to be back-up providers to assist IHSS consumers who are in urgent need of IHSS services. Back-up care providers will be utilized on a “as needed” basis.</li> <li>• IHSS care providers who participate as back-up providers will need to be active on the Ventura County IHSS Public Authority provider registry.</li> <li>• Public Authority is planning to send out notices to enrolled IHSS care providers to inform them of this new initiative.</li> <li>• Interested individuals can contact the Public Authority main line 805-654-3416 or stop into the Ventura or Simi Valley Public Authority offices.</li> </ul> <p><i>Trainings</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Authority continues to provide Zoom trainings. Trainings and other information are provided via the monthly Ventura County IHSS Provider Newsletter.</li> </ul>
7.	<b>Next Meeting and Agenda Items</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agenda items can be emailed to Enrique Guevara.</li> <li>• The next meeting will be October 19th, 2022.</li> </ul>
8.	<b>Adjournment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The meeting was adjourned at 3:24 p.m.</li> </ul>
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