



Placer County HHS County IHSS Advisory Committee Meeting

March 21, 2013
1:30 - 3:00 pm

Members Present: Michael Fletcher, Ann Sharpan, and Phylis Nelson

Members Absent: Eula Marshall, Carol Thompson, Katie Snoberger, and William Reed

Placer County Staff Present: Cheryl Trenwith, Margaret Chambers, Cheryl Wiker, and Pauline Moreno

Public Present: Ron Tauser, Mary DeGraaf, Tim Cooper, Eldon Luce

Michael called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M.

Roll Call and Introductions: Roll was taken and a quorum was not established.

Excused Absences: Several members were absent; no quorum; will excuse absences next meeting. (Eula, Carol, William, Katie)

Member Reports/Announcements/Questions:

- Ann distributed the latest newsletter from UDW.
- Michael reported the 2008-2010-2012 Consumer Satisfaction Surveys, a survey of IHSS consumers, results are online at the California Department of Social Services website Some interesting information..

<http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/lettersnotices/default.htm>

Public Comment: No public comment offered.

Approve 1-17-13 Meeting Summary: Due to lack of a quorum, this item is deferred to the May meeting.

CICA Report: No report available on the CICA conference call.

Advisory Committee Recommendations to IHSS/PA Supervisors:

- Mary asked if providers have gotten a raise. **A:** No, salary is still \$10/hour.

IHSS – AC Bylaws:

- No by-laws; we have policies and procedures
 - Easier to change
 - Allow for more latitude to make changes

PA Managers Report: Cheryl Trenwith, Public Authority Manager

- Election of officers in May for Chair/Vice-chair
- Program changes
 - IHSS Lawsuit settlement
 - LAO recommended reapproving the 3.6% cut, and not approving 20%
 - State:UDW - Compromised – 4.4% coupled with the 3.6% = 8% total reduction
 - takes 20% cut out of the picture
 - Effective 7-1-13, 8% cut; reduced in 7-1-14 to 7%
 - So much changing at State level
 - Consider provider fee; a complicated arrangement to get more Federal money
 - Done in other states

- Provider 'fee' must be implemented to qualify
 - Across the board cut; cannot appeal
 - Consumer can decide which services to cut
- CMIPS Upgrade
 - Placer County in wave two; April 30 or May 1 is "go live" date
 - Timesheet training
 - Overwhelming response
 - Five trainings scheduled; flier mailed
 - Got Veteran's Hall, Auburn for April 3, will accommodate 100 people
 - Will have ongoing 'clinic' times at Cirby Hills and Auburn for people to drop in for assistance with their timesheets.
- Recently IHSS provided two trainings
 - Dealing with Difficult People
- Registry open for month of March; open again later this summer
- Federal Government is looking at overtime pay for providers
 - Per each individual employers; can work up to 40 hours/week
 - Total hours worked can be over 40 hours/week for providers with multiple consumers
 - For family providers; may need additional provider(s) to not exceed 40 hours per provider
 - County must prepare by expanding number of Registry providers
 - The need for more providers will expand
 - Will know more in May.
- Changes coming from the Federal Government regards disqualifying crime
 - Eliminate state jumping of disqualified providers

New Business

Discussion: Fluctuation of data in Authorized Hours Report.

Items for /Future Agenda

- **Report: CICA**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:22 P.M.

Next Advisory Committee Meeting

May 16, 2013

The Domes, Conference Room A, Fulweiler