

Olmstead Advisory Committee Meeting

March 11, 2015 Meeting Summary

Department of Rehabilitation, Room 242
721 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, California

Committee Members Present:

Tony Anderson	Kathy Kelly	Greg Thompson
Richard Chambers	Sunny Maden	Ed Walsh
Deborah Doctor	Marty Omoto	Janie Whiteford
Nancy Hall	Elsa Quezada	Kate Wilber
Michael Humphrey (Phone)	Michelle Rousey	Robert Taylor (Phone)
Barbara Hanna	Ellen Schmeding	
	Timothy Schwab	

State Staff Present:

Secretary Diana S. Dooley – California Health and Human Services Agency
Deputy Secretary for Legislative Affairs Kiyomi Burchill – California Health and Human Services Agency
Director Jennifer Kent – Department of Health Care Services
Director Lora Connolly – Department of Aging
Director Joe Xavier – Department of Rehabilitation
Director Will Lightbourne – Department of Social Services
Director Santi Rogers – Department of Developmental Services
Chief Deputy Director John Doyle – Department of Developmental Services
Division Chief John Shen – Department of Health Care Services
Deputy Director Claudia Crist – Department of Health Care Services
Assistant Deputy Director Hannah Katch – Department of Health Care Services
Associate Director Anastasia Dodson – Department of Health Care Services

Agenda Item 1: Introductions

Committee member Kate Wilber helped lead the meeting and called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees. Secretary Dooley welcomed attendees and introduced Director Jennifer Kent, Hannah Katch, and Claudia Crist. She also acknowledged John Shen's impending retirement and thanked him for his service.

Agenda Item 2: Updates from the Health and Human Services Agency and Departments

Department of Social Services (DSS) Director Will Lightborne discussed and answered questions concerning the In-Home Support Services (IHSS) program and overtime issues related to the Department of Labor's overtime guidelines for IHSS health workers.

Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Director Jennifer Kent provided updates on the Section 1115 Waiver renewal and the Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI). Orange County, the final participating demonstration CCI county, is scheduled to come online in July 2016.

Department of Aging Director Lora Connolly discussed her department's involvement with California Transportation Plan 2040 as it regards long term services and supports.

Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Director Santi Rogers provided updates on Competitive Integrated Employment. This approach is aimed at making sure employees with disabilities work in jobs where the work environment facilitates physical and social interaction with co-workers. He also noted that a Home and Community-Based Services Waiver application seeking federal funding for the Self-Determination Program was submitted to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and that DDS is awaiting a response from the federal government.

Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)'s Director Joe Xavier provided updates on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). Additionally, updates were provided for the Traumatic Brain Injury programs. Director Xavier also spoke about the department's work on the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Request for Application (RFA). TBI grants will be going out in the coming months.

Agenda Item 3: Coordinated Care Initiative Update

The Departments of Health Care Services (Director Jennifer Kent), Social Services (Will Lightborne) and Aging (Director Lora Connolly) provided updates on the components of the Coordinated Care Initiative related to their respective departments.

Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Deputy Director Claudia Crist and Assistant Deputy Director Hannah Katch presented on DHCS's ongoing preparation for the active enrollment phase for Cal MediConnect. Ms. Crist and Ms. Katch also discussed the release of the first Health Risk Assessment Dashboard and discussed the contract the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) signed with RTI International for the purpose of evaluating the Cal Medi Connect demonstrations in California. Ms. Katch also noted that The SCAN Foundation is performing a larger multi-year evaluation of the program.

Department of Aging (CDA) Director Lora Connolly discussed federal grants supporting CCI implementation and related to the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program; she also discussed CDA's dementia care training for plan care managers participating in CCI.

Committee members fielded questions and discussed issues regarding IHSS and Cal MediConnect enrollment.

Lunch Break

Agenda Item 4: Discussion on Olmstead Committee Workgroups

Kiyomi Burchill with the Health and Human Services Agency provided an overview of the contributions of the Committee's workgroups on Data, Housing, and Transportation to date and went over options for maintaining the Committee's commitment to these issue areas. Options included having relevant departments report on each issue area at Committee meetings, as well as appointing Committee vice chairs who could lead discussions concerning these issues.

Committee members discussed and recommended to focus on at least one of the three issue areas (i.e., data, housing, transportation) at each meeting. Committee members and members of the public provided comments on the need for the Committee to give housing issues, in particular, significant attention.

Agenda Item 5: Section 1115 Waiver Renewal

Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Director Jennifer Kent provided an overview of how the 1115 Waiver operates, and informed the Committee that her department's finalized 1115 Waiver renewal application will be publicly available the week of March 16, 2015. Hannah Katch then explained DHCS' approach, through the 1115 Waiver, to housing based case management and the shared savings pool.

Agenda Item 6: A Shattered System: Reforming Long Term Care in California: Envisioning and Implementing an IDEAL Long-Term Care System in California

Suzanne Reed, Chief of Staff to Senator Carol Liu, Chairwoman of the Senate Select Committee on Aging and Long Term Care, provided an overview of the Committee's recent report on California's long-term care system. In addition to a legislative reform package, the Select Committee is focused on developing regional capacity to deliver long-term care services by improving regional collaboration and workforce development.

Agenda Item 7: Legislation Watch List

Kiyomi Burchill with the Health and Human Services Agency gave an overview of legislation that could advance or impede *Olmstead* implementation in California, Committee members provided additional bills to be monitored, and Committee members made comments on bills. Ms. Burchill encouraged members to submit additional bills as they learn about them.

8. Next Steps and Closing Comments

Secretary Dooley thanked Committee members for their participation in the meeting and adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.
