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Q1 Define the problem: [Outline the challenge(s) your recommendation will address. Insert links to reports where appropriate.]

Barriers exist to receiving accessible Nursing Home care for patients who are Deaf and use American Sign Language. Once a Nursing Home/Rehab facility learns that a hospital wants to transfer a Deaf patient to their care, these places deny them admissions on the basis of their disability and the fact that they would need an ASL Interpreter to have access to their services.

Q2 Pick your Master Plan for Aging goal(s): [Check the goal(s) your recommendation aims to fulfill. View MPA Framework document for reference]

Goal 2: Livable Communities & Purpose. We will live in and be engaged in communities that are age-friendly, dementia-friendly, and disability-friendly.

Q3 Choose your MPA Framework objective: [Check the objective(s) your recommendation will accomplish. View MPA Framework document for reference.]

Objective 1.1: Californians will have access to the help we need to live in the homes and communities we choose as we age.

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Objective 3.2: Californians will have access to quality, affordable, and person-centered health care through delivery systems that are age-friendly, dementia-friendly and disability-friendly.

Q4 Outline your recommendation: [In one to two sentences, sketch out your idea for the Master Plan for Aging.]

All nursing homes/ Rehabilitation facilities will be asked for their language access plans for Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals and demonstrate they are able to provide the accommodations the patient needs in order to receive quality healthcare.

Q5 Identify and quantify your target population: [Describe which groups of Californians will be impacted by this recommendation, with numbers if available.]

All patients ages 55+ who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing who are transferred from the hospital or recommended by Doctors to stay at a nursing home or rehabilitation facility.

Q6 Share your recommendations for an age-friendly California: [Insert detailed bullet points describing your Master Plan for Aging ideas.]

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Provide any supporting evidence for your recommendation: [Add links or summaries of research evidence that support your unique vision.]

Many state and local governments providing emergency services such as DVSV are required to have a Language Access Plan, and Accessibility plan to meet ADA regulations.

Q8 Give examples of local, state or national initiatives that can be used as an example of best practices: [Provide any available links and sources.] Local: State: National: Other:

There are ZERO best practices in California. California is out of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and in overseeing the nursing homes/ rehabilitation facilities.

Q9 Provide a roadmap to implementation: [Insert any actions state agencies, legislators, counties, local government, or philanthropy can take to move this recommendation forward. Some of the entities listed below may or may not be applicable to each recommendation.] State Agencies/Departments: [action to be taken by Governor or specific state agencies] State Legislature: [legislation needed to implement recommendation] Local Government: Federal Government: Private Sector: Community-Based Organizations: Philanthropy: Other:

Governor and Health & Human Services can issue an executive order for all nursing homes and rehabilitation facilities to be in compliance. Legislation is needed to enact penalties on these centers if they are out of compliance, and anytime they turn away a Deaf person needing access to their nursing homes or rehabilitation facilities.

Q10 Identify person-centered metrics: [What are the individual measures of inputs or outcomes that can be used to predict your recommended action's impact on people.]

There are approximately 4.8 million Deaf and Hard of Hearing residents in CA.

Q11 Measuring Success: [Describe specific metrics that could be used to empirically measure the effectiveness of your recommendation]

Respondent skipped this question

Q12 Measuring Success: [How would we know that the implementation of your recommendation is successful?]

Respondent skipped this question

Q13 Provide data sources: [What existing data can be used to measure success or progress?]: Existing data sources: [specify datasets, variables, and data owner/location] Suggestions for data collection to evaluate implementation of this goal when no data sources exist:

Respondent skipped this question

Q14 Identify potential costs and/or savings: [Provide any research, actuarial analysis or other evidence of the cost of, or potential savings from, implementing your recommendation.]

Respondent skipped this question

Q15 Prioritize your recommendation: [How would you prioritize your recommendation relative to other needs/priorities?]

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Q16 Contact information: [Let's stay in touch!]

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