

LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Guiding the development of an integrated network of home, community-based, and institutional services for older adults and adults with disabilities

MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, July 10, 2014

TIME: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

LOCATION: San Francisco Public Library

Latino/Hispanic Room

Present: Abby Kovalsky, Akiko Takeshita, Amie Haltman-Carson, Anna LeMon, Anne Hinton, Anne Romero, Benson Nadell, Bill Hirsh, Carla Johnson, Cathy Davis, Cindy Kauffman, Jacy Cohen, Jennifer Walsh, Jessica Lehman, Jonathan Cheng, Marlene Hunn, Mivic Hirose, Moli Steinert, Noelle Simmons, Sandy Mori, Steve Fields, Tom Ryan, Traci Dobronravova, Victoria Tedder

Absent: Abbie Yant, Anne Quaintance, Eileen Kunz, Kelly Hiramoto, Ken Hornby, Marie Jobling, Margaret Baran, Patricia Webb, Twima Earley, Val Agostino, Valorie Villela

Guests: Chip Supanich, Jenny Louie, Ramona Davies, Shireen McSpadden, Linda Edelstein, Rick Appleby, Rick Crane

DAAS: Melissa McGee

I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Cindy Kauffman introduced Melissa McGee, who is replacing Bill Haskell as the Facilitator for the LTCCC. Melissa started on July 1, 2014 and will be assuming all duties related to the LTCCC previously handled by Bill.

II. ROLL CALL – ATTENDANCE

III. ACTION

MOTION: That the LTCCC meeting minutes of June 12, 2014 be approved.

Vote: All in favor with corrections noted.

IV. UPDATES / ANNOUNCEMENTS / WORKGROUPS

- Bill Hirsch talked about the city budget and the homeless emergency services provision. There will be additional money to included new resources for eviction defense, 2 million for subsidy programs to help higher income levels, especially those with disabilities like HIV, to stay in rent control units. They will layer subsidies on housing giving people with disabilities access to housing.
- Carla Johnson informed that Board of Supervisors are holding hearings on elevators in SRO's continuing to function, and the impact on elevator function to seniors and adults with disabilities. There is discussion of a revolving loan fund for private SRO owners for elevator repairs.
- Cindy Kauffman asked for information on the status of University Mound. Benson Nadell reported that there was a neighborhood and safety hearing today discussing possible options.

There was a fair amount of discussion back and forth between Supervisors and family members who spoke. Supervisors Campos, Yee and Mar commented they are committed to finding a solution to keep University Mound open. Currently, it has been sold to Alta Vista to open a prep school, at a cost of 5.3 million. Benson has been going to the facility twice a week to assist residents who are moving. Clients are not happy; many have lost long-term connections because they have to move. Residents are experiencing relocation trauma, concerned about where they are going. The deadline for move-out is July 31. All On Lok members have moved out. The PATCH clients are still there. There is a strong family member contingent. Folks currently pay \$2200 – 3800 per month, which is not enough to sustain the facility. The Board will need to look at zoning laws and will continue to meet. Jessica Lehman asked what the community can do. Benson informed that Supervisor Campos will hold another special meeting for testimony with the City Attorney. Benson suggested that advocacy groups continue to advocate and support families and residents. There is a need to look at enhancements to community living funds, better protection to individuals who need support, integrated approach, and efforts to keep those evicted in SF.

- Cindy Kauffman reminded the group that workgroups will report at the LTCCC on activities of the group; and also to inform the group of the next meeting.
- Noelle reported on Finance and Policy workgroup. She is encouraging renewed participation on the committee and that additional members are welcome. They are working on a research project from the Controller's office on supply and demand for long term care services; including affordability and access for services not publicly funded. Next meeting is July 17, 3:30 – 5:00pm at DAAS, 5th floor, Golden Gate room, at which time there will be a summary of proposed scope of work.
- Jessica Lehman reported on the Housing workgroup. (No longer Housing and Services; will focus on housing going forward.) Worked on putting the issues on the wall to see focus of group. Will focus on how we do affordable housing and public housing. At the next meeting the group will narrow down to the 2 or 3 issues to focus on now. Next meeting is July 25, 1:00 – 3:00pm at 1360 Mission Street, 3rd floor.
- Cindy Kauffman reported that the Nominations committee will meet as needed.
- Rick Appleby reported on the Age and Disability Friendly workgroup for Cathy Spensley. The group has been working on assessments of areas of interest to the group, to develop next steps. At the next meeting there will be presentations and discussion on intergenerational activities. In addition, there is activity on a presentation for the next ASA conference. Moli Steinert asked that the group look at transportation.
- Cindy Kauffman reported on Excellence in Dementia Care committee. Three community conversations have been held. The group is looking at the strategic plan and the oversight committee will identify specific goals and areas of focus. The group hopes to bring new folks into the oversight committee to offer new / fresh perspectives.

- Cindy Kauffman informed that the LTCI implementation body is currently being formed, and in the future the chairs will report to the LTCCC.
- Cindy Kauffman reported that the HIV and Aging members, Margy Baran and Ken Hornby with meet with David Nolan and report to LTCCC.

V. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION
Expanding the LTCCC Steering Committee

Cindy Kauffman discussed expanding the Steering Committee by having the chair of each workgroup attend the meeting. The preference would be that the chair attends, but if needed a member of the group could be designated by the chair to attend. Currently the Steering Committee is a small group and the addition of a representative from each workgroup will add diversity to Steering. The Communications workgroup needs to choose chair or co-chairs at next meeting. Steering Committee meeting time will be changed. Melissa will send out Doodle poll to chairs of all workgroups. Also, any LTCCC member can be on Steering Committee. If interested, send an e-mail to Melissa and you will be added. There was discussion about location and conference line. Meeting location must also have a conference line available. The Steering Committee should meet shortly after LTCCC meeting as agenda is developed for following month based on activities / discussion at current meeting.

SPECIAL NOTE: There was acknowledgement of the passing of Vera Haile on July 9. Many members spoke of Vera’s legacy, commitment, advocacy, 121 Golden Gate Avenue new housing, mentorship, her omnipotent presence, huge piece of history, insightful mind, raising issues persistently, fairness, passion, challenged us to be better advocates, visionary, an example for others. She will be greatly missed.

VI. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION
Strengthening the Long Term Care Coordinating Council: Consulting Work Supported in Part by SCAN Foundation

Anne Hinton presented an overview of the SCAN Foundation grant over the next 18 months and the work that will be done by the consultants, Rick Crane and Jessica Lehman, Senior and Disability Action. SCAN has awarded a grant through DAAS to hire consultants to work on strengthening the LTCCC, as well as an amount to be used for SF DAAS to mentor 3 other counties. The consultants will complete internal and external scans of the Council, hold town hall meetings and constituent events, develop a sustainability plan, and assist in redesign of the website. Anne would encourage celebration of the successes every 6 months.

Rick Crane presented a PowerPoint on the work that will be done. (The 2-page PowerPoint is attached.) The LTCCC is now almost 10 years old. We will do a self-assessment and develop sustainability plan. Rick explained that this is the LTCCC’s plan and process, and the consultants are here to assist.

Jessica Lehman talked about the town hall meetings which will focus on a series of topics in different geographic areas of the city. The first town hall will be a forum with candidates for office Supervisor Chiu and Supervisor Campos. The intention is to focus on some of the issues in the LTCI plan. The town hall meetings will be spread around the city, targeting supervisorial districts and geographic areas with different focus topics at each. Benson Nadell talked about this has an effective way to connect the community to the State, and the issues where we want attention, i.e., housing, community living funds, supports to stay in homes with modifications, healthcare-related issues, transitions from hospitals to rehab or home.

Anne Hinton suggested contacting Santa Clara County as they are conducting town hall meetings currently.

Rick and Jessica will work with the Communications Committee to set up meetings with Supervisor Chiu and Supervisor Campos prior to September 11 meeting.

Steve Fields questioned where the Mayor is in this process. He would like to see communication with the Mayor as part of sustainability plan. Anne explained that this work is specific to CCI and that the Mayor has been briefed on these activities, and quarterly meetings occur.

Anne Hinton discussed the sustainability plan, and provided some history. The Robert Wood Johnson initial grant paid for 2 Principal Investigators over an 8-year period.

Currently there is one position paid for by DAAS. A plan had not been put together previously as the assumption was that the position would be there as it is in DAAS budget. This process will offer the opportunity to demonstrate what the true costs are to financially sustain the LTCCC in its current form. SCAN got involved as there was no leadership in the state around issues of long term care. SCAN got involved in advocacy in communities around the state. Now invest in 2 events a year bringing folks from around the state to discuss issues. SCAN is interested in all groups figuring out how to sustain themselves.

VII. PRESENTATION AND ACTION

Review of Proposed LTCCC Communications Plan for 2014 – 2105

Jennifer Walsh presented the LTCCC Communications Plan for 2014 – 2015. (The Communications Plan presented is attached.) The plan focuses on goals and strategies, including the following: informing the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor on work of the LTCCC on a regular basis, promoting the LTCCC policy agenda, meetings with individual members of other commissions, providing materials and talking points to LTCCC members when meeting with others, communicating the high priority strategies of the LTCCC, developing and outreach program committee, become a well-known source in the community, offer consumers the opportunity to get involved in workgroups, update and redesign the web page to be more user friendly and includes all LTCCC documents and a link to the Mayor's website.

Tom Ryan asked if the LTCCC has the infrastructure to conduct these outreach activities. Anne Hinton explained that currently members are doing presentations, and we will now track requests for speaking engagements and compile the information. We have several volunteers for a speakers' bureau. Melissa will compile and track the speaking requests.

MOTION to accept the Communications Plan has presented was made and seconded.

VIII. PRESENTATION

Report on City Budget for FY 2014 – 2015

Anne Hinton, DAAS – Anne said the advocates did well in terms of this year’s city budget. Although it is not finalized yet, there is no indication that anything will be different than what is being seen now. The APS funds requested was granted; nutrition programs got 700K; food security .5 million; in add-back process 2 million in food security, 1.7 million to DAAS for home-delivered meals and groceries and congregate meals waitlists; 180K to senior centers; 200K to CLF.

Noelle Simmons, HSA – Housing and homeless programs got 3 million in add-back; rent subsidies, eviction prevention, layering subsidies in affordable housing; increase in funding for Ellis Act evictions, .5 million for that purpose, not just advocacy, but for higher payouts than required by law; CalFresh increased by 8 eligibility workers to aid outreach to seniors; MediCal added 40 workers to keep up with applications. In state budget, changes in IHSS overtime limitations, up to 66 hours per week per provider. There is a lawsuit in CA for hearing on issue, labor waiting for clear directive. Question re: Medicaid expansion discussion; Anne Hinton reports nothing happening in the budget that appears to address or fix this. There is awareness of the issue, but focus right now is getting folks signed up with health plans and coverage. There was a bill in Appropriations addressing expansion but didn’t get out of committee; about 100 million annually.

Jenny Louie, DPH – The budget grew about 4% in areas related to healthcare reform, with a focus on strengthening the delivery system in primary care and access. The budget will provide for SF General to become a state-of-the-art facility in terms of technology, equipment, facilities, the acute care building. There are investments in infrastructure, IT, and HR to address critical staffing issues; also, strengthening outpatient services, including HIV services and TB reduction. Included is a 250K add-back related to University Mound, and assisting relocation. There was an 8.8 million reduction in mental health community programs, but this was restored by the Mayor’s office. Reductions are not scheduled to take effect until FY 2015-16. Bill Hirsch asked commented that new institutions with increased costs to operate seem to take priority over CBO’s. University Mound still has 30 people with no place to go. Benson Nadell commented that the 250K add-back is to assist in relocation for the first year following sale.

IX. ADJOURN

LTCCC meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm in celebration and memory of Vera Haile.

SCAN Regional Coalition Call Summary Thursday, July 3, 2014 – 9:30 to 10:30 AM

If you missed the roll call, you can send a note to jack@gacinstitute.org.

9: 30 AM **Welcome**, mute and unmute announcement, “hold” announcement

Mental Health Services and Managed Care

Molly Brassil, Associate Director, Public Policy, County Mental Health Directors Association

In the five early implementing counties, most of the work was done over the last few years on MOU and shared savings – coordination was set up well. The implementation side seems to be going smoothly

- All counties have their MOU for Cal MediConnect in place
- There remain technical things to work out, e.g., cross-over claims

Local implementation:

- Regular local meetings are happening between plans and counties
- Seems as if more local coordination is emerging
- Some referral and “pathways” may be different than before
- Communication seems to be the key

Comment: sounds different from CBAS transition – communication structure wasn’t set up then.

Q: Are people receiving services? A: We don’t know yet.

Q: When will we know how well the actual service delivery is going? A: In the fall, we should have counties report on a similar call: a panel.

Comment from L.A.: we are credentialing people but it’s still “wait and see” – no referrals yet.

Comment: The “fix it” list that National Senior Citizens Law Center is compiling is a good way to note systemic issues, rather than addressing each issue one at a time. Under the CBAS rollout, we could have used such a list.

Comment: Healthy San Diego (under the leadership of George Scola) is a collective of plans meeting weekly with county director of behavioral health. At yesterday’s discussion, things seeming to be going smoothly.

Comment: San Mateo: unaware of any problems.

Comment: Inland Empire: no issues seem to be coming to the fore – there are regular meetings of representatives from two health plans, plus both county mental health departments and various HCBS. Agreements are in place for clients to continue to be seen by their providers as their plans sort things out.

Molly Brassil: Let’s revisit this when we have more information about services.

In addition, we’ve had a lot of lessons learned in these eight counties in the realm of creating structures: want to take this experience to other counties, outside the demonstration. Huge opportunity to learn how to strengthen communications.

10:00 AM **Overview of coalitions’ 2014 goals and projects:**

- L.A. Aging Advocacy Coalition
 - Recent Summit had almost 300 attendees
 - First of a series of meetings with local members of Congress

- Starting a series of trainings for advocates – part of outreach efforts
- Will make a presentation to the Senate Select Committee on Aging and Long Term Care at its July 8 hearing then Patty Berg, consultant to the select committee, will join the next LAAAC call.
- Senior Coalition of Stanislaus County
 - Started as a fall prevention effort
 - Their website has new planning documents www.Healthyagingassociation.org click on “Senior Coalition”
 - Focus is on inclusion across seniors and those with disabilities
 - Amber Cutler from NSCLC is coming to the county this summer
 - Working on planning with San Francisco
 - One focus is on sustaining meeting attendance
- Orange County Aging Services Collaborative
 - Two or three town hall meetings annually, usually with local members of the state Legislature (75 to 200 participants)
 - Town halls include an annual survey – distribution will expand this year beyond the town halls and be in Spanish as well as English (grant from UC Irvine supports this extension)
 - Active in CCI: preparing for January start date that depends on the results of a CMS audit scheduled for release in August. If it is okay, Orange will start Jan 1, 2015
 - See www.OCAgingServices.org

SCAN Foundation Update

- *The 2014 Scorecard*, Sarah Steenhausen – released by the AARP Public Policy Institute; this is the second *Scorecard*, funded by The SCAN Foundation and the Commonwealth Foundation.
 - Data are displayed across five dimensions
 - California ranked 9th overall – it does well within an imperfect national LTSS landscape

To find the Scorecard, go to <http://www.longtermscorecard.org/databystate/state?state=CA#.U7WayvldU9Y>

Collaborative Update

- July 11 Collaborative meeting/call: a look at the five counties’ CCI rollout; you’re welcome to listen in: **866-215-3402 PIN: 896-217-9013**
- July 8 Senate Select Committee hearing in L.A. – agenda and details at <http://senate.ca.gov/agingandlongtermcare>
- September 30: LTSS Summit; open to the public; register at

- October 1 Community of Constituents conference (day after Summit)
– coalition leader selects each coalition’s delegation to Oct.1 conf.
Check with your coalition leader

10:39 **Adjourn**

Participants:

Guests:

Molly Brassil, County Mental Health Directors

Sarah Steenhausen, The SCAN Foundation

Coalition Participants (49+):

Alameda: Wendy Peterson, Tracy Murray

Orange: Christine Chow

S.F.: Anne Hinton, Cindy Kauffman, Melissa McGee

San Diego: Brenda Schmitthenner, Jenel Lim, Louis Frick, Rogelio Lopez, Lisa Hayes

Bay Area Senior Health: Katherine Kelly, Angelin Barrios

Riverside: Renee Dar-Khan, Lisa Hayes, Greg Danwood, Mike McConnell, Ben Jauregui, Paul Van Doran, Martha Durbin, and representatives from disability organizations

L.A.: Dawn Lovelace, Nancy Volpert, Nina Nolcox, Vivian Sauer, Michelle Wolf

Santa Clara: Marilou Cristina, Sonali Parnami

Yolo: Sheila Allen, Fran Smith, Cheryl Yee, Seth Brunner

Chico: Forest Harlan

Fresno: Cynthia Benzler and Ed LaComb

Stanislaus: Erlinda Bourcier, Dianna Olsen, Maria Profeta

Nevada: Ana Acton, Nancy Vasquez

Monterey Bay: Clay Kempf, Sam Trevino

Ventura: Sue Tatangelo, Victoria Jump, Monique Nowlin

San Mateo: Marilyn Baker-Venturini, Marsha Fong

Tri-County (Service and Advocacy): Jennifer Griffin, Kathleen Riel

Contra Costa: Debbie Toth

Foundation and GACI

The SCAN Foundation: René Seidel

GACI: Jack Hailey

