



## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL COALITIONS Webinar Summary

**August 3, 2016**  
**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

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### **I. WELCOME**

[Sue North](#), Government Action and Communication Institute

- Sue welcomed participants, reviewed the agenda, and introduced Megan Burke and Sarah Steenhausen from The SCAN Foundation.
- Top two items in the survey of regional coalition leads were state and federal budget issues
- Meeting slides are available at [http://bit.ly/RC\\_8-4-17](http://bit.ly/RC_8-4-17)
- TSF's summary of the state budget (1917-18) can be found at [http://bit.ly/Budget Fact Sheet](http://bit.ly/Budget_Fact_Sheet)

### **II. UPDATE ON STATE AND FEDERAL BUDGET ACTIONS**

[Megan Burke](#), Program Officer, The SCAN Foundation

[Sarah Steenhausen](#), Senior Policy Advisor, The SCAN Foundation

- Megan Burke summarized Community Care Initiative (CCI) related issues in the budget (see links above). She walked through each of the major aspects of the CCI – (CalMediconnect and Medi-Cal Managed Care). She also looked carefully at changes in In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS).
- Important changes that may interest regional coalition members are the ways county funding of health, mental health, and human services have changed starting this past July 1.
- See the Legislative Analyst Office report on the details of these changes. <http://lao.ca.gov/Publications/Report/3694/8>

- Also see <http://bit.ly/2017-18-supplemental-report>, pages 6-21
- Also, see an earlier summary: <http://bit.ly/HHS-Agenda-060717>
- Sarah Steenhausen looked at Medi-Cal changes including dental and vision services (optional services). These were part of California's Medi-Cal benefits until the 2008 recession.
- Sarah also presented some federal issues, including failure of legislation to change the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Medicaid financing changes are still under consideration in Congress.
- President's proposed budget proposes elimination of HiCap funding and reductions in other programs. Congress is on recess until September.
- Also coming are discussions of tax reductions and policy changes in Medicaid.
- There's also a \$6-billion reduction proposed to the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) budget.
  - Question: Do people with both Medicare and Medi-Cal who are in non-CCI counties still have to go through Medi-Cal managed care?
    - If a dually-eligible person wants to receive C-BAS services, he or she needs to enroll in Medi-Cal managed care.
  - Comment: The details of the President's proposal include reduction or elimination of smaller programs that may be under the radar.
  - Question: Is there a PACE program in every one of the seven CCI counties?
    - Response: This policy brief from TSF, includes list of PACE programs: [http://bit.ly/Integrated\\_Care](http://bit.ly/Integrated_Care)
  - Question: What are our advocacy opportunities before September congressional budget vote?
    - Response: Visit the offices of your member of Congress during August. Whenever possible, reach out to local media to tell the stories of consumers, families, and providers. Also, use social media. See the CCLTSS blog that you can republish. Go to: <http://www.ccltss.org/whats-new>

### III. UPDATES FROM REGIONAL COALITIONS

[Bonnie Subira](#), Ventura County Hospital to Home Alliance

- Two activities, both based on grants:
  - Person centered grant working with hospital association of southern California. The target is patients in the hospital who have cognitive impairment and dementia as well as chronic illness using

their post-acute network.

- Partnership to improve transitions with a contract with local managed care where the focus is on social components of managed care.

[Debbie Toth](#), Contra Costa Advisory Council on Aging

- Policy platform development in well under way.
- Senior rally day has become a growing success.
- It is recommended that people go to public appearances of members of Congress: calls, town halls, etc.

#### IV. The SCAN FOUNDATION Update

[Kali Peterson](#), Program Officer, The SCAN Foundation

- Thank you to all Part B Coalitions for their quarterly reports. Any and all budget revisions must be received by the end of November.
- SoCal Regional Meeting was done well and reports of the NorCal Meeting are also positive. Thank you to the planners of the October Advocacy Day. Mariya Kalina will be contacting the lead for each Coalition's Advocacy Day delegation.
- You can now Register for The SCAN Foundation's fall Summit on LTSS. Register via the TSF web page.
- The SCAN Foundation is surveying all coalitions to tally the number of coalition members who participate in local commissions, advisory committees, etc.

#### V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- All are welcome to register and participate in the California Collaborative Webinars. The next one will be held on 08/18/17. Here is the link to register: [http://bit.ly/CCLTSS\\_8-18-17](http://bit.ly/CCLTSS_8-18-17)

#### **Participants (48)**

Coalition	Representative(s)
Aging and Disability Coalition of Lake and Mendocino Counties	Corrina Avila Tanner Silva-Parker
Aging Services Collaborative of Santa Clara County	Marilou Cristina Sonali Parnami

Bay Area Senior Health Policy Coalition	Katherine Kelly
Central Coast LTSS Coalition	Eduardo Medel
Central Valley LTSS Coalition	N/A
Community Living Implementation Council of Nevada County	Tamaran Cook Carl Sigmond
Contra Costa Advisory Council on Aging	Debbie Toth Shirley Krohn
Diversability Action Network (Chico)	Sarah May
Independent Living Workgroup of Kern County	Jan Lemucchi
Inland Empire LTSS Coalition	Renee Dar-Khan Michael Knight
Los Angeles Aging Advocacy Coalition	Barbra McLendon Sherry Revord Kelly Honda
Monterey Bay Aging and Disability Resource Coalition	Elsa Quezada Patty Talbott
San Mateo County New Beginning Coalition	Marilyn Baker-Venturini Cristina Ugaitafa Deborah Owdom Susan Houston
Orange County Aging Services Collaborative	Cynthia Okialda Christine Chow
Placer County Aging and Disability Resource Coalition	Eldon Luce Gina Olivares
San Diego Long Term Care Integration Project	Elizabeth Lee Amy Kalivas
San Francisco Long Term Care Coordinating Council	Valerie Coleman
The Senior Coalition of Stanislaus County	Maria Profeta
Senior Services Coalition of Alameda County	Wendy Peterson Tracy Murray Kweli Kitwana

Ventura County Hospital to Home Alliance	Bonnie Subira
Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance	Sheila Allen Fran Smith Michelle Rodriguez Amy Dyer
The SCAN Foundation	Megan Burke Kali Peterson Rene Seidel Sarah Steenhausen
GACI	Jack Hailey Mariya Kalina Laurel Mildred Crista Nicholas Sue North