

Agenda, Regional Coalition Conference Call Summary Thursday, January 9, 2014 – 9:30 to 10:30 AM

9: 30 AM Welcome and Roll Call –

Announcements

- Jack Hailey takes notes and circulates a summary after the call.
- The day and time for subsequent calls this year will be the first Thursday of each month, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- The SCAN Foundation (TSF) asks that each coalition have at least two people on the call who are from different organizations, and coalitions are welcome to have additional interested members on the call.
- The Listserve: we maintain a Google Group listserv for communication among the regional coalitions. Request an invitation from mariya@gacinstitute.org, then accept the invitation. You can then send messages to the entire list: ca-regional-coalitions@googlegroups.com

Overview of Part A – All 19 Regional Coalitions participate

Kali Peterson, Program Officer at TSF, outlined grantee responsibilities and noted that the 19 coalitions cover 36 counties and more than 85 percent of the state's population.

- All Part A grantees please have at least two people on each call from different agencies, one person from each coalition will be on the conference planning workgroup for spring or fall, and two people should attend the semi-annual conferences
- If you are in a CCI county, you'll participate with the Collaborative in tracking CCI rollout and identifying problems early
- Any other coalition interested in the CCI can also participate – let Jack know
- Please distribute the call summaries to your membership

Part B Grants: CCI Counties and Non-CCI Counties

Kali Peterson, The SCAN Foundation

- The S.F. coalition will provide technical assistance
- Each month, we'll ask two coalitions to present their work so that by year's end we'll have heard from everyone.
- Please use the Google Group – it can be a great resource for all of us

The CCI: An Update

Sarah Steenhausen, Senior Policy Advisor, TSF

CCI UPDATE: ENROLLMENT NOTICES

- Cal MediConnect - 5 counties (San Diego, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Mateo)- Enrollment begins April 2014. Cal MediConnect notices were distributed early Jan.
- LA, Alameda, Santa Clara- Cal MediConnect enrollment no sooner than July 2014 with exceptions for various populations (eg MSSP of Jan 2015, D-SNPs Jan 2015, etc).
- LA: Still waiting for finalization of LA enrollment strategy.
- DHCS will be releasing schedule that outlines timing of Cal MediConnect and MLTSS rollout across counties and populations.

Managed LTSS:

- DHCS will issuing notices to dual eligible individuals NOT eligible for Cal MediConnect but who are now going to be mandatorily enrolled in Medi-Cal managed care for Medi-Cal services, including LTSS. (these 90 day notices were just released for public comment)
- DHCS will be issuing 45-day notices to individuals (eg SPDs) who are ALREADY ENROLLED in medi-cal managed care, but will now be informed that their LTSS services will become a managed care benefit (these notices were also just recently released for comment).

1115 waiver

- In order for the Medi-Cal program changes to take effect (eg mandatory enrollment of duals into Medi-Cal managed care and inclusion of LTSS as managed care benefit), federal government needs to approve state's amendments to the current 1115 waiver.
- The state has indicated that the waiver is still being negotiated, but we anticipate its release in the near future.

Budget proposal:

- Five counties will enroll passively starting April 1; in other three: July 1
- Managed LTSS: that benefit begins July 1 in all eight counties for those who opt out.
- TSF will release a budget fact sheet
- State will not pay for IHSS overtime, per governor's proposed budget

The CCI: Consumer Outreach

Jaime Mulligan and Ryan McMillan, Harbage Consulting

- Fact sheets, FAQs, etc. are slated to be released over the next few months.
- Outreach coordinators are being added in demonstration counties
- There will be a technical advisory workgroup.

New American Media: Regional Coalition Opportunity

Victoria Ballesteros, Director of Communications, TSF

- Given the strength and importance of ethnic media in California, there is a new TSF project with New American Media; Harbage Consulting is also a part of it
 - New American Media will hold journalist briefings in each of eight CCI demonstration counties.
 - Establishing a fellowship for ethnic media reporters
 - Provide op-ed pieces to ethnic media
 - New American Media will engage with regional coalitions

General questions from participants on the call:

Medi-Cal expansion: how long will the asset test apply? We will get an answer to that.

L.A.: Harbage Consulting will hire two outreach coordinators for L.A.

What closed captioning and ASL resources will be available to deaf and hard of hearing individuals? Harbage replies that they expect to be fully accessible in all webinars and materials.

ILCs: any and all ILCs should let Harbage Consulting know if they would like some training. Provide requests to www.calduals.org Harbage has been working ILCs in demonstration counties. Jo Black volunteers to take any and all information to the ILC conference in February.

Spring and Fall Community of Constituents Conferences

- Community of Constituents: California Collaborative, regional coalitions, AGEnts for Change
- Planning calls: third Friday of the month: 10:30 AM (Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 21, and April 18 for Spring conference; May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15, and September 19 for the Fall conference)
- Planning team: each coalition assigns someone to help plan one conference each year.
 1. Spring team: Alameda, Santa Clara, Los Angeles, Yolo, Diversity Network, Central Valley Coalition (formerly Elder Abuse Prevention Roundtable), Kern, San Diego, and Monterey Bay. Spring conference: April 24, Sacramento Convention Center

2. Fall team: San Francisco, Orange, San Mateo, Stanislaus, Riverside, Bay Area Sr. Health Policy, Ventura, Nevada, Tri-County (Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Contra Costa). Fall conference: September 30, Sacramento Convention Center

- Let Jack Hailey know if the spring assignment doesn't work for you; let Jack Hailey know if the fall assignment doesn't work for you. We'll switch where we can.

California Collaborative Report

- A brief history: in its fourth year.
- Each regional coalition will have a liaison to the Collaborative to raise issues and ask for assistance in getting Sacramento/Capitol information
- CCI counties: the Collaborative will identify and track problems and challenges. We'll do this through regular calls to regional coalition leadership, plus agenda items on Friday mornings.
- Web site: www.ccltss.org (send calendar announcements, fact sheets, county plans, etc. and we will link to them).
- Although Jack Hailey didn't mention this during the call, please set up a link to the Collaborative website on your coalition website. The Collaborative's website links to the Community of Constituents page on TSF's website

Future Call Topics

- A survey will go out soon to all regional coalition leaders asking for a ranking of top choices for future calls. Possible topics:
 - Rural expansion of managed care: how do we educate consumers? What provisions for network adequacy are there for specialty care? Behavioral health and substance abuse?
 - Budget issues: how does/will the budget for 2014-15 treat Older Californian's Act programs, sequester funding, CBAS, MSSP sunset
 - How do you sustain your network given budget and regulatory limits, such as Older Americans Act regulations?
 - Mental health programs in the ACA – an update
 - How regional coalitions are engaging with local health plans
 - What are lessons learned from early enrollment in the first five CCI counties
 - How do health plans deal with chronic care management? E.g., in the first five counties of the CCI
 - ADRC initiative – how are others engaging that model?

- Office of Innovations in CMS put out funds last year– are there any grantees working on those projects? If so, what’s happening?
- Share how care coordination going between social and medical in CCI counties/Cal MediConnect
- TSF’s work helping counties and CBOs market services to health plans: how is that going?
- Hear back on New American Media project

Kali Peterson noted in closing:

- Send additional ideas for topics or speakers to Jack
- Please sign up for the Google Group if you haven’t already: send a note to mariya@gacinstitute.org

10:30 – Roll call review and adjourn at 10:32

All calls for the remainder of 2014 will be on the first Thursday of the month from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The next calls are:

- *February 6*
- *March 6*

Agendas should go out two days before each call. *Regional coalitions are welcome to include additional members on the calls, whenever topics are of interest.*

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