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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

MORNING PLENARY

1115 Waiver: What's Possible & What's Next?

Anne Hinton

Executive Director, San Francisco Department of Aging and Adult Services

Anne Hinton is executive director of the San Francisco Department of Aging and Adult Services, responsible for IHSS, protective services, long term care, and the aging/veterans services. The department is also a designated aging and disability resource connection. It funds 45 community service providers for programs such as congregate meals, senior centers, home delivered meals, case management, family caregiving, naturalization, and legal services, for older adults as well as younger disabled adults. Ms. Hinton has worked for the Institute on Aging, San Francisco Catholic Charities, and San Francisco Senior Services. She has experience as a lecturer and teacher in the field of gerontology, and she is a member of the board of the National Association of Area Agency on Aging and the California Association of Area Agencies on Aging.

Marjorie Swartz

Policy Consultant, Office of Kevin de León

Marjorie Swartz is Principal Consultant to Senator Kevin De León, President pro Tempore of the State Senate. She is responsible for all things health, including Budget, health insurance, Medi-Cal and public health. From June 2009 until January 2014, she was a Principal Consultant to the Assembly Health Committee, covering Medi-Cal, the Affordable Care Act, California Children's Services, and county indigent programs. She has also practiced governmental advocacy law with clients including Western Center on Law and Poverty and SEIU. Ms. Swartz

received a Bachelor's Degree from Case Western Reserve University and a Juris Doctor degree from McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific and is a member of the California Bar.

Marty Lynch

CEO, LifeLong Medical Care

Marty Lynch is the CEO of LifeLong Medical Care, a sixteen-site community health center in the San Francisco Bay Area. Lynch has been the Director of LifeLong and the Over 60 Health Center since 1982. LifeLong focuses on providing integrated services to special populations such as the disabled elderly, frequent users of emergency rooms, and the homeless with medical, mental health and substance abuse problems. He currently represents the California Primary Care Association on the MediCal 1115 Waiver Stakeholder Committee. Lynch received a PhD in Social and Behavioral Sciences from the University of California, San Francisco and an MPA from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard. He is also a lecturer at the University of California, Berkeley.

Mike Humphrey

Manager, Sonoma County IHSS Public Authority

Mike Humphrey has been the manager of Sonoma County In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Public Authority since 2002. The Public Authority's purpose is twofold: 1) to act as the employer-of-record for the purpose of collective bargaining for IHSS providers, and 2) to provide service enhancements (registry, referral, screening, and training) for IHSS providers and consumers. Mike previously served as the Executive Director of Community Resources for Independence (CRI) from 1989 to 2002. He serves on the California Olmstead Advisory Committee, the Department of Health Care Services' stakeholder advisory committee, and on the legislative committee for the California Association of Public Authorities. He was a gubernatorial appointee to the California State Independent Living Council and served as its first chair from 1994-96.

MORNING BREAKOUT SESSION
LTSS Payment Reform: Options & Promising Practices

Don Fischer

Central Valley LTSS Coalition (Fresno)

Donald Fischer received a Master's Degree in conflict studies and peacemaking from Fresno Pacific University (FPU). Donald mediates civil limited, unlimited, probate (guardianship, conservatorship, trust, wills and estates), family law issues, and elder family issues. These interests encouraged him to engage with the Castle Keep Elder Abuse Prevention organization and lead him to earn fiduciary certifications from California State University, Fullerton, in the management of the person and the portfolio estate. Donald directed FPU's mediation services contract with the California Superior Court, civil & probate division, for 12 years. He sits on the California Superior Court, County of Fresno, ADR panel and has contracted with the Court as a research consultant and advanced mediation trainer.

Anwar Zoueihid

Vice President of health services, Partners in Care, LA Regional Coalition Delegation

Anwar Zoueihid serves as vice president of health services at Partners in Care, overseeing direct service contracts hospital discharge services and case management services. His team also works with MSSP sites in Los Angeles and Kern County, community transition programs, and multiple private health plan and physician contracts. He also manages private contracts that provide in-home evaluation and care management services. Past work includes AltaMed Health Services. Mr. Zoueihid has served on several boards and committees, including California Association of Adult Day Services (CAADS).

Athena Chapman

State Programs Director, California Association of Health Plans

Athena Chapman is the director of state programs for the California Association of Health Plans (CAHP). In this capacity, she represents California's health plans regulated by the Department of Health Care Services. Ms. Chapman works with various state agencies and the California Health Benefit Exchange on regulation development and implementation. Her prior assignment was as director of legal

and regulatory affairs for CAHP. Before joining CAHP, Ms. Chapman was chief of the program monitoring and medical policy branch at DHCS. She holds a master's degree in public policy from George Mason University.

Sarah Triano

Diversity & Disability Programs Manager, California Health & Wellness

Sarah Triano is currently the manager of diversity and disability for California Health & Wellness, a Medi-Cal managed care plan, where she ensures compliance with all regulatory requirements related to cultural, linguistics and disability-access. Previously, Triano was appointed by the governor as the executive officer of the California Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities. -She was also the executive director of the Silicon Valley Independent Living Center, and the program director at Access Living of Metropolitan Chicago. She participated in the PhD program in disability studies at the University of Illinois at Chicago. In 2003, Triano was a recipient of the Paul G. Hearne/American Association of People with Disabilities Leadership Award, and used the cash prize from the award to start the nation's first annual disability pride parade in Chicago on July 18, 2004.

Benjamin Blake

Director of Program Operations, Bay Area Community Services

Benjamin comes to the Bay Area with over 25 years of experience in the field of mental health and social services. He is a licensed Marriage Family Therapist since 1991 and has varied experience directing programs including outpatient clinics with the YMCA to operating the largest wraparound services program in San Diego County, working with families and youth. He is an expert at creating and implementing new and unique service strategies to meet the changing needs of our communities.

MORNING BREAKOUT SESSION
LTC Financing: Actions We Can Join in California

Marilyn Baker-Venturini

San Mateo: New Beginning Coalition

Marilyn Baker-Venturini has served as the director of Meals on Wheels, since 2010. Marilyn has over 30 years of experience working with senior service organizations and home health and hospice agencies in San Mateo, San Francisco and Santa Clara counties. Her research, “Nutrition Status as a Risk Factor for Falls Among Older Adults,” was published in *The International Journal of Aging in Society*. Marilyn is currently a member of San Mateo County’s New Beginnings Coalition and its steering committee. In addition, she is a member of the San Mateo County Fall Prevention Task Force and the California Senior Nutrition Network. Her master’s degree in nutrition with study emphasis in geriatric nutrition as well as her certificate in social gerontology are from San Jose State University.

Megan Juring

Program Officer, The SCAN Foundation

Megan Juring serves as a program officer for The SCAN Foundation. Prior to joining the Foundation, Ms. Juring was deputy director for independent living and community access at the Department of Rehabilitation, and was appointed twice by the governor to the State Independent Living Council. She served as an assistant secretary for Olmstead and aging issues in the California Health and Human Services Agency and worked in partnership with the California Council of the Alzheimer’s Association to develop the California State Alzheimer’s Disease Plan. Ms. Juring holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Applied Behavioral Science from the University of California, Davis.

Suzanne Reed

Chief of staff, Office of Senator Carol Liu

Suzanne’s career in public policy spans 40 years: in the U.S. Senate as committee staff, and, following completion of a master’s degree from Yale University’s School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, as legislative aide for Senator Joseph Biden. She was an energy advisor to Governor Jerry Brown within the Office of Planning and Research. In 1977, the governor appointed her to the

California Energy Commission. She was then vice president of the public opinion research firm, Fairbank, Maslin and Maullin and operated her own market research and marketing communications company. Suzanne became chief of staff to Assembly Member Carol Liu in 2000. She is now chief of staff to Senator Liu, who chairs the Senate Education Committee and the Select Committee Aging and Long Term Care. Suzanne serves as principal consultant to the Select Committee.

Blanca Castro

Advocacy Manager, AARP

Ms. Castro is the advocacy director for AARP California, responsible for leading federal and state advocacy efforts and coordinating grassroots activities in support of AARP's legislative priorities. She is also responsible for strategic development of statewide issues on legislative priorities for California, which include: age friendly communities, caregiving/long term care, financial resiliency, and technology. Ms. Castro has more than 25 years' experience in public affairs in various capacities, including development of statewide social marketing campaigns when she was appointed by the governor to be deputy director of public affairs to the California Department of Social Services. She also managed daily operations for the Medi-Cal provider relations unit at Xerox. Ms. Castro was born in Mexico City and graduated from University of California, Berkeley.

Jedd Hampton

Director of Policy, Health Services, LeadingAge California

Jedd Hampton currently serves as the director of policy on health services for LeadingAge California where he is responsible for the planning, development and implementation of LeadingAge California's public policy activities in the areas of skilled nursing, healthcare, Medi-Cal, Medicare and other long-term care issues. Jedd previously served as a consultant to the California Association of Rural Health Clinics, where he coordinated communications and membership engagement efforts for the association. Prior to consulting, Jedd served in the Sacramento County executive's office as a budget and policy analyst, as well as interim legislative officer for the County. Jedd received his master's degree in public administration from University of San Francisco.

Susan DeMarois

State Policy Director, Alzheimer’s Association

Susan DeMarois serves as state policy director for the national Alzheimer’s Association in Sacramento, where she leads local chapter advocacy on legislation, regulation and state budget actions. Prior to joining the association, Susan worked as a health policy consultant, overseeing projects such as California’s state plan for Alzheimer’s disease. She also managed UC Davis health system’s government and community relations program at the county, state and federal levels. Early in her career, Susan worked for LeadingAge California as their healthcare lobbyist and education director. She started in public policy as a congressional staffer after graduating from CSU Chico. She volunteers as a board member for the Center for Health Care Decisions.

MORNING BREAKOUT SESSION

Coalition Building Across Health and Social Services

Sue Tatangelo

Ventura County Evidence-Based Health Promotion Coalition

For more than 30 years, Ms. Tatangelo, has been a leader, bridge-builder, and partner in the development of services for vulnerable people. Sue holds a master’s degree in organizational management from Antioch University, and she has utilized her skills as a champion and advocate to build better communities for frail and vulnerable populations. Currently, as chief resource officer of the Camarillo Health Care District, Sue is responsible for strategic planning, grant development and leveraging funding and building partnerships that enhance the quality of life for people county-wide. Most recently, Sue lead the development of the district’s care transitions program and secured multiple partnerships with area hospitals and skilled nursing facilities to reduce avoidable hospital readmissions. Sue was awarded Spotlight on Leadership Award from the Ventura County Leadership Academy.

Giovanni Corzo***Vice President of Home & Care Services, Community SeniorServ***

Gio Corzo is vice president, home & care services of SeniorServ, Orange County's largest community-based senior services provider of social, nutrition and health services to older adults and their families. Gio is responsible for leadership and program management of care transitions, adult health care, case management, meals on wheels and senior center lunch programs for SeniorServ. Gio chairs the Orange County care transitions partnership that administers the CMS demonstration project for community based care transitions in Orange County, in partnership with St. Jude Medical Center, AHMC Anaheim Regional Medical Center, UCI Medical Center, and Western Medical Center, Santa Ana. Prior to joining SeniorServ, Gio was administrator of several adult day health care programs in Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties. Gio earned a master's degree in health care administration from UCLA's Anderson School of Business.

Brenda Schmitthenner***San Diego Long Term Care Integration Project***

Ms. Schmitthenner is an aging program administrator for the County of San Diego's Aging & Independence Services (AIS) and program manager for the Long Term Care Integration Project. She has provided administrative and supportive services to older adults and people with disabilities in the private, non-profit and public sectors for over thirty years. Brenda is the program administrator for the largest community-based care transitions program in the country, for San Diego's aging and disability resource connection, for and TEAM SAN DIEGO, a community initiative to improve care coordination for people with chronic illnesses. Brenda has served as the liaison between Aging & Independence Services and the Healthy San Diego managed care health plans since April 2011, and is the county's lead for the implementation of the Coordinated Care Initiative. Ms. Schmitthenner received her masters of public administration from National University.

David Nolan***General Manager for the Medicare-Medicaid Plan, Anthem***

Mr. Nolan is currently general manager for the MMP in Santa Clara County for Anthem. As such he is responsible for developing, directing and overseeing the ongoing management of the duals demonstration in Santa Clara County. Prior to that, he was the director for LTSS for California for Anthem and the executive

director for LTSS and the duals demonstration for Alameda Alliance for Health. Mr. Nolan was the principal and founder of Chi Partners, a consulting firm focused on public policy as it relates to long-term care. He has provided long term care planning and analysis to the Colorado State Department of Health Care Planning and Finance and led the team that wrote and implemented the assisted living waiver for the DHCS.

LUNCH PLENARY

Catherine Dodd

Director, San Francisco Health Service System

Catherine Dodd was a teen peer counselor at Planned Parenthood, then received B.S and M.S degrees in nursing from the University of California. She also holds a PhD from UCSF, focused on end-of-life policy. She serves on the editorial review board of Policy Politics and Nursing Practice, and she contributes to other scholarly journals in the field. She has worked on a mobile health van serving farm workers, worked as a high-risk peri-natal nurse, and directed women's health at San Francisco General Hospital. Currently, she directs the San Francisco health service system, responsible for health benefits for more than 100,000 people. Ms. Dodd has been part of the American Nurses Association and its political action committee, the State NOW board, and the San Francisco Democratic County central committee. Among other responsibilities, she currently chairs the National Committee to Protect Social Security and Medicare, the board of trustees of the Glide Foundation, and the advisory board of EMERGE California (an organization that trains Democratic women to run for public office).

AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION

Health Homes: The New State Program

Sarah Steenhausen

Senior Policy Advisor, The SCAN Foundation

As senior policy advisor for The SCAN Foundation, Sarah Steenhausen provides guidance to TSF on state-level initiatives and policy opportunities in the development of a sustainable continuum of long term care for California's seniors. She has served as at the California Health and Human Services Agency,

the California Department of Developmental Services, and the Senate Subcommittee on Aging and Long Term Care, and the Senate Health and Human Services Committee.

Debbie Toth

Contra Costa Advisory Council on Aging

Debbie Toth is on the Contra Costa advisory council on aging and the CEO of Rehabilitation Services of Northern California, whose mission is to "promote dignity and independence of people with disabilities and other special needs." RSNC serves more than 600 people each year in its four programs in Contra Costa County: two adult day health care sites, an MSSP program, and the California community transitions project. Debbie has been with RSNC since 2002. She has a degree in sociology from UC Irvine.

Hannah Katch

Assistant Deputy Director for Health Care Delivery Systems, Department of Healthcare Services

Hannah Katch serves as the assistant deputy director for health care delivery systems at the California Department of Health Care Services, overseeing the operations, quality, and monitoring of managed care plans, the long term care programs, and the systems of care program for vulnerable populations. Prior to joining DHCS, Hannah was Senator Franken's senior health policy advisor and primary health care staffer on the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee. She also worked with congressional leadership, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the White House on the implementation of the Affordable Care Act. She has worked at the Center for Health Care Quality, the Kaiser Family Foundation, the NIH Office of Research on Women's Health, and the Health Policy Office of the Senate HELP Committee under Senator Ted Kennedy. Her master's degree from George Washington University focused on health policy.

Richard Figueroa

Director of Prevention and the Affordable Care Act, California Endowment

Richard Figueroa is the program director for Healthy California and the Director of Prevention and the Affordable Care Act for The California Endowment. Previously, he served in the California governor's office, where he was a deputy cabinet

secretary and health care advisor for Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and deputy legislative secretary for Governor Davis, responsible for health care, human services and health insurance issues. Mr. Figueroa has also served as the legislative director for California Insurance Commissioner John Garamendi, principal consultant to the Senate Committee on Insurance, senior consultant to the California Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, and a budget analyst in the Office of the Legislative Analyst. He also served a member of the State of CA Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board or as staff to that board for 15 years. He has master's degree in business administration from UCLA.

AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION

The State Budget: Looking Back to 2015 & Ahead to 2016

Randy Hicks

Legislative communications and healthcare chair, Californian's for Disability Rights

Randy Hicks came to California in 1998. He worked at the Capitol and joined Californians for Disability Rights as a member. Mr. Hicks became CDR's legislative communications and healthcare chair. He has represented CDR on the California Collaborative for four years. He is an unstinting advocate for single payer health care.

Karen Keeslar

Executive Director, California Association of Public Authorities

Karen Keeslar is a government relations consultant and lobbyist with extensive expertise in health and human services and public sector financing. She is the executive director of the California Association of Public Authorities, and she has worked for more than 30 years with state and local government agencies, public employee unions, and non-profit associations. Her areas of specialty are IHSS, state budget, local government finance, state/county realignment funding, public employee labor relations, and public employee pensions.

Tony Anderson***Executive Director, The ARC of California***

Tony Anderson entered the field of developmental services in 1987 and began his career as a direct support professional in group homes, respite and in home support services, schools and work-related programs. He has served as a case manager and resource development manager in a regional center, and was the executive director of a residential service agency that served over 120 people with developmental disabilities. He served as a manager for the Napa County Department of Health and Human Services, and Governor Gray Davis appointed him to serve as deputy director for policy, planning & governmental relations for the California State Council on Developmental Disabilities. He joined Arc California and serves as its executive director and principle lobbyist. He completed graduate practicum at Stanford University and executive training from the University of Southern California while an official of the State.

Scott Graves***Director of Research, California Budget & Policy Center***

Scott Graves joined the Budget Center in 2002 and has served as director of research since 2014. He oversees the Budget Center's analytical work, conducts research and analysis related to health and human services, and is the organization's lead analyst on the state budget process. Scott has covered a number of other policy areas at the Budget Center, including child care, preschool, corrections, and housing, with a focus on both the state and federal levels. Prior to joining the Budget Center, Scott worked as a researcher in Austin, Texas, for the Tomás Rivera Policy Institute, Consumers Union, and the Public Policy Clinic at the University of Texas at Austin. He also was a California executive fellow. Scott received a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Texas at Austin.

AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION
Person-Centered Care: What Is It, How Do We Achieve It?

Dianna Olsen

The Senior Coalition of Stanislaus County

Dianna Olsen joined the Healthy Aging Association in 2002. Prior to that, she was the executive director for community housing and shelter services and director of social services/business administration for The Salvation Army. Ms. Olsen has been involved in the Stanislaus County housing and support services collaborative, the commission on aging, the fall prevention coalition, United Way's health and well-being impact council, Stanislaus Health Services Agency's local implementation group, Doctors Medical Foundation, and United Way's executive director's association. She chairs the Stanislaus Emergency Food and Shelter Program board and provides staff support to Stanislaus Senior Coalition.

Janie Whiteford

Co-President, California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance

Janie is the President of CICA, the California IHSS Consumer Alliance, a statewide alliance of 25 County IHSS Advisory Committees. Their mandate is to give recommendations and advice to all entities involved in the organization and running of the IHSS system at the local, state and national level. Janie is also a long standing advocate for seniors and persons with disabilities concerning disability awareness, health care issues, long-term services and supports, the CCI, person-centered care, and education and training on these issues. She holds a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling.

Nicole Howell

Executive Director, Ombudsman Services of Contra Costa County

Nicole is the executive director for ombudsman services of Contra Costa County and is responsible for ensuring that the 9,000 residents of long-term care in her community have access to the highest level of care, respect and above all are able to live free of abuse and neglect. Prior to her role with OSCC, Nicole worked for nearly five years as the director of operations for ombudsman services of San Mateo County where she became an advocate for senior and dependent adults and immersed herself in culture change initiatives and person centered care

philosophies. Ms. Howell attended the University of Nevada, Reno where she studied political science and sociology.

Amber Cutler

Senior Staff Attorney, Justice in Aging

Amber Cutler is a senior staff attorney with Justice in Aging based in the Los Angeles office. She works on health care transitions impacting low-income seniors and persons with disabilities in California, and is one of the state's leading experts on the Coordinated Care Initiative. Amber formerly worked for Legal Aid of Western Missouri and acted as director of the medical legal partnership at St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri. There she provided legal assistance to individuals living in poverty including representing clients in Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security disability appeals. Amber is a graduate of Washington University School of Law in St. Louis and is licensed in California, Missouri, and Illinois.

Celine Regalia

Program Director, Napa Valley Hospice and Adult Day Services

Celine Regalia is program director of adult day services at Napa Valley Hospice & Adult Day Services (NVHADS), and she has more than 27 years of healthcare experience. Celine earned her master's degree in speech pathology from San Jose State University, working for 10 years in acute care, home health, and long term care. In 1998, Celine joined NVHADS as a medical social worker after earning her MSW from San Jose State University. She has been program director for 16 years. Celine is the immediate past president of the board of directors of the California Association of Adult Day Services (CAADS) and has served on the board since 2002.

Michelle Rousey

Executive Secretary, California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance

Michelle Rousey is the current chair of the Public Authority Advisory Board for IHSS in Alameda County. She was appointed to a two-year term on the California IHSS Statewide Authority, and is a member of the Olmstead Committee and the Paratransit Advisory Planning Committee in Alameda County.

CLOSING PLENARY

Darrell Steinberg

Founder, Steinberg Institute

Darrell Steinberg served as President Pro Tempore of the California State Senate from 2008 through 2014. His career in public service also includes six years in both the State Assembly and the Sacramento City Council. Advancing mental health care has always been among Steinberg's top priorities: Proposition 63 provides over one billion dollars per year for mental health care, and SB 946 ensures that insurance companies cover treatment of children with autism and related disorders. In 2015, Darrell established the Steinberg Institute for advancing mental health policy. The institute nurtures legislative leadership to uphold California's promise to build a full network of community services and support for people living with mental illness and related disorders. He serves as professor and director of policy and advocacy at the UC Davis Behavioral Health Center of Excellence, and he is currently a shareholder at Greenberg Traurig LLP, where he chairs the firm's California government law and policy practice.