



July 15, 2018

To PAs & IHSS Advisory Boards

The California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance (CICA) is currently looking to establish a schedule for holding Regional Trainings and assistance is needed by County IHSS Advisory Boards/Committees.

CICA is looking at holding four regional trainings in the coming year throughout the State, continuing this into the future. It is recognized that there are different needs of rural to urban counties, there are different geographies for smaller counties compared to the larger counties. It is seen there needs to be further cooperation between the IHSS County IHSS Advisory Committees to work together in supporting a regional training in your area.

CICA needs your IHSS Advisory Committee's involvement through finding venues, affordable lodging for those who need to travel, topics and if you have a choice of a speaker for the topics identified information. A list of topics is attached.

Regional training is open to all consumers, not just members of Advisory Committees. If your county Advisory Committee is a member of CICA, IHSS consumers of the county are free to attend. If attendees from neighboring counties who are not paid members, attendees will be asked to contribute \$10 per person.

Please review and share the attached with your Advisory Committee and return to Charlie Bean (info@cicaihss.org) by August 31, 2018. If you have other training suggestions, share them.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Cindy Calderon'.

CYNTHIA CALDERON
President

Proposed Topics for Regional Trainings (4 to 6-hour training)

IHSS AC History & Formation

- Background history on the creation of the IHSS program
- The foundational legislation (AB 1682) and guidelines that created IHSS Advisory Committees (statewide)
- History around local IHSS AC, and early union negotiations/contracts (local IHSS Committee would need to present this)

Internal Structure of AC's

- Allowable Expenditures for the IHSS AC
- Understanding the Ordinances governing the IHSS AC
- How IHSS AC's can collaborate with their County PA and DPSS

Best Advocacy Practices for AC's

- Legislative Advocacy at State and Federal levels; what is appropriate (or not)?
- Differences between Advocacy, Education and Campaigning Advocacy at the County-level;
- How to interact in the community; how to spread the word about IHSS
- How to interact with the County BOS; how to stay visible as a committee
- How to collaborate with the IHSS Union(s) in your county; events, labor relations, wage negotiations.

Networking with Community Based Organizations at the local level

- What are some Advocacy Topics IHSS AC's could address
- Best Practices of County PA's and IHSS AC's, Statewide

Consumer/Provider Interests

- What is Protective Supervision?

Other

Please check off what topics interest you the most. Add any comments or topics of your own in your email response. Think about how long (# hours) you want to commit to this training.