



## AAA Advisory Council Housing Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 4, 2019  
Emerald Room  
12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

### Draft Minutes

**Present:** Jen Arent (Chair), Richard Baum, Rosa Reynoza, Cynthia Scarborough, Alain Serkissian, Deanna Shaat, Terry Kelley (Ex Officio)

**Absent:** None

**Influencers:** Joy Lovinger (Senior Placement Services), Jessica Hughes (Burbank Housing), Sheila Almquist (SHARE), Eloise Tweeten (Tweeten Eldercare), Judi Johnson (DSLC), Shelley Clark (Legal Aid), Sheng Lee (St. Joseph Health Care Network)

**Guest Speakers:** Dr. Charlotte Carlson (Sutter Health), Naomi Fuchs (Santa Rosa Community Health), Amy Ramirez (St. Joseph Health Care Network)

**Staff:** Katie Parrish, Gary Fontenot (Adult and Aging), Dorothy Reagan (MSSP)

**Minutes:** Bron Anderson

1. **Welcome & Introductions** - (Arent) – meeting called to order at 12:03 PM, all welcomed and introductions made.
2. **Approval of December 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes** – (Arent) Motion to approve the December 10, 2019 Housing Committee Meeting Minutes.
  - **(Motion)** Arent/Baum (MSC) to approve minutes as presented; motion approved unanimously. AYES – 6, NOES – 0, Abstentions - 0
3. **Guest Speakers and Roundtable Discussion – PACE**
  - Dr. Charlotte Carlson – Sutter Health
    - Housing with Health Services is part of PACE. Desire is to integrate health and social care into housing services. In PACE, as someone ages, PACE is responsible for all of the needs of individuals so individuals are not accessing outside insurance.
      - About 50,000 people in PACE nationwide
    - Medical services provided at the location of the housing can do many positive things to better the lives of people
    - Access to Healthcare is important to sustain housing
  - Naomi Fuchs – Santa Rosa Community Health
    - Mission of SRCH is to serve those who don't have access to resources
    - Needs of the aging population are in front of mind. Santa Rosa Community Health is looking at launching a PACE program and it requires engaging community partners in this process
    - Operate an Adult Day program
      - Transportation included which is often a significant cost of the program. AAA has transportation grants in place for voucher and volunteer driver programs that could be leveraged.
    - Idea is to support people to age in place

- Important part of aging with dignity is to decrease isolation and provide opportunities for socialization and address the things that people need before they get into a crisis
- People have to be willing and able to transfer their care to the PACE program, since it is its own plan and no other insurance is utilized.
- Capacity of the proposed PACE program is 250 people
- ON LOK in San Francisco is a program for people with multiple chronic diseases and 50% of clients have dementia
- Does IHSS factor in? People don't want to lose IHSS workers, PACE would disqualify people for County managed IHSS
  - As a remedy for this, PACE program can end up hiring the IHSS worker as a caregiver for the PACE client and respite is available for IHSS workers
- Amy Ramirez – Care Network for Providence St. Joseph Health Sonoma County
  - Unique program that is through community health investment of St Joseph's that has no charge for service. It is for people who need extra attention after their appointments (eg. Help with reading medication, housing location, etc)
  - Interested in something like PACE, as seeing an increase in aging population means that there must be a way to assist people with aging in place
  - Some individuals have inconsistent caregiving, which can make PACE more attractive
  - Healthcare and social issues go hand in hand. Social determinants of health are a part of the big picture
- Roundtable Discussion
  - Is there an impact to the homeless population?
  - Petaluma Health Center will be consulted as a community partner
  - Committee members expressed interest in future PACE-related meetings as appropriate
  - What are these agencies looking for in order to develop a PACE program?
    - Hospital partners, AAA/County support, Partnership Healthcare

#### **4. Area Plan Goals - (Parrish)**

- Important for each advisory council committee member to think about and add goals and objectives for the 2020-20204 Area Plan.
  - Objectives for Housing Committee
    - Under Goal 1, Housing Committee can collaborate with people like Naomi Fuchs to bring awareness about healthcare options, specifically Medicare
    - Under Goals 3, Housing Committee can collaborate with agencies to get information in front of the Board of Supervisors that can help them to develop or support a plan to move forward with recommendations.
    - Advisory Council members should have a fact sheet about healthcare given concerns expressed as part of the needs assessment.

#### **5. Public Comments - (All)**

- Fontenot – Important to continue to promote 565-INFO Information and Assistance line. This can help people get in touch with resources and services
- Scarborough – Sonoma Valley is making progress on a written housing statement

#### **6. Adjourn - Call by the Chair to adjourn at 1:30PM**

**Next Meeting:** *Tuesday March 3, 2020 – 12:00 PM.*