



Older Adult Services Advisory Committee

Workforce and Caregiver Work Group

Date: May 14, 2007, conference call

Attending: Darby Anderson, Betsy Creamer, Elizabeth Essex, Martha Holstein, Jonathan Lackland, David Lindeman (Chair), Robin Morgan, Naoko Muramatsu, Evelyn Nabors, Karen O'Beirne, Cathi Sipes and Ruth Waeltz.

- **Health Insurance Survey** --Darby Anderson reported that there was nothing new to report. He has received no responses yet despite sending additional e-mails. He welcomes any suggestions on getting the data/responses needed and moving this project forward.
- **Working Caregiver Conference** -- Rose Lober-Hamilton has not reported on its status, stated Darby.
- **Funding** -- Betsy Creamer explained that Federal money for working caregivers has been stagnating, and it is still in an evaluation phase. She mentioned that Flexible Senior Services (FSS) money can be used for respite care services. She stated that there is a recommendation that Title III Respite money should not be required to be used first when a client is eligible for FSS. It was discussed that the introduction of Comprehensive Care Coordination will help those clients that are not eligible for CCP receive services also.
- **Legislative updates** – David discussed this issue with the Executive Committee and was met with a good response. Everyone thought it would be nice, but due to staff limitations and the large amounts of bills out there it would be unrealistic to have all committees notified of every bill and amendment that might affect each committee's area of interest.

Next Steps:

- The members voted to cancel the June 11 meeting that was to be held immediately prior to the full OASAC meeting that same day in Chicago. The next meeting will be July 9.

Meeting Schedule:

This committee meets via conference call on the second Monday of the month from 11:00 am - Noon.

Future meeting dates are:

- June 11 (CANCELED)
- July 9
- August 13
- September 10 (prior to the full OASAC meeting – Time to be announced)