



## GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING

### SOCIAL, HEALTH & ALZHEIMER'S COMMITTEE (SHAC) MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2013

2:30 – 4:30 pm

Arizona State Capitol Executive Tower  
Second Floor Conference Room  
1700 West Washington Street  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

#### **Council Members, Liaisons & Participants Present**

Deborah Lavinsky (Acting Committee Chairwoman), Becky Brimhall-Lepire, Bernadine Hoffman, Doyle Meredith, Trudy Schuett, Tonya Watson, C.T. Wright, Karla Averill, David Besst, Mary Busch, Susan Cypert, Barbara Hill, Steve Laughary, Iretta Linebarger, Randy Maskell, Mark Radan, Maryna Sachs, Deborah Schaus, Shawn Trobia, Johannah Uriri Glover, Hannele Waissi, and Tiffany Yazzie

#### **Council Members Absent**

Anne Morrison, Charles Brown, Joy Grainger, Teresa Lopez, Lisa O'Neill and Allison Perrin

#### **Council Staff Present**

Cathy De Lisa, Kim Jennings, Berntari Crosby and Darryl Monteilh (Intern)

#### **Guest Present and Signing In**

Dr. Alicia Mangram

#### **Welcome, Introductions, Review & Approval of Minutes**

Acting Committee Chairwoman Deborah Lavinsky called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m. A welcome and introduction period followed. Following a review of the May 2, 2013 SHAC draft minutes, *Doyle Meredith made a motion to approve as presented; Bernadine Hoffman seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.*

#### **Presentation and Discussion G-60 Geriatric Trauma Services Program**

Dr. Alicia Mangram, Medical Director of Trauma Services for John C. Lincoln North Mountain, provided a presentation on the G-60 Geriatric Trauma Services Program. Dr. Mangram informed the Committee that the objectives of the G-60 Geriatric Trauma Services program included recognizing the needs of geriatric patient, describing the differences in injury outcomes as patients age, and understanding the importance of a multidisciplinary team in elderly patient care. According to Dr. Mangram, G-60 is now an organized geriatric trauma service, led by trauma surgeons, that is specifically designed to expedite the care of geriatric patients through a

multidisciplinary approach. A copy of Dr. Mangram's presentation "G-60 Geriatric Trauma Services Program" is available for review at the Council on Aging office.

### **Updates & Discussion on SHAC Initiatives**

#### *Lifespan Respite*

David Besst, Department of Economic Security and Division of Aging and Adult Services, updated the group on the activities of the Lifespan Respite Program and the Arizona Caregiver Coalition (ACC). According to Mr. Besst, the ACC is attempting to become a nonprofit entity. Mr. Besst stated a caregiver resource line staffed by volunteers opened last year, and he reported the following updates: 1. as part of the Lifespan Respite Program, a new voucher program is being developed, and the voucher will allow caregivers to utilize respite services; 2. the ACC is currently developing an online registry that caregivers can use to hire direct care workers; three stakeholder meetings are being planned to gather input from healthcare providers on the online registry; 3. and the ACC is hosting the Third Annual Respite Summit on November 7th.

#### *National Alzheimer's Project Act (NAPA) & Arizona Alzheimer's Task Force*

Phil Carll, Alzheimer's Association Desert Southwest Chapter, was unable to attend the meeting and Deborah Schaus provided an update on Mr. Carll's behalf. According to Ms. Schaus, the NAPA website has the newest updates to the nationwide strategic plan for Alzheimer's disease. Ms. Schaus informed the Committee members that the Work Teams of the Arizona's Alzheimer's Task Force are developing recommendations ahead of a January 2014 deadline. Those recommendations will become a part of the strategies and actions plans linked to objectives of the next State Plan on Aging. Ms. Schaus encouraged members to join the public Work Teams. Ms. Schaus reported that the Alzheimer's Association Desert Southwest Chapter will conduct a town hall meeting this summer to gather input on NAPA and that the annual Alzheimer's Association's Walks to End Alzheimer's are being scheduled in communities around the state this fall.

#### *Oral Health Coalition*

Julia Wacloff was unable to attend. Mary Busch provided an update on the Maricopa County Oral Health Leaders, Advocates and Resources/MOLAR Coalition on Ms. Wacloff's behalf. According to Ms. Busch, the Coalition is partnering with the City of Phoenix to offer seniors oral health screenings.

### **Preparations for 2014 GACA Priorities**

On behalf of the Acting Committee Chairwoman, Cathy De Lisa, Executive Director, outlined the process for development of GACA priorities and encouraged the Committee members to come prepared to offer suggestions for 2014 SHAC priorities at the September 12, 2013 meeting. According to Ms. De Lisa, the input received from SHAC will be a part of the Advisory Council on Aging's discussion during their Annual Planning meeting in November. A copy of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging overview of 2013 committee priorities is available for review through the Council on Aging office.

### **Announcements**

Shawn Trobia, AARP, announced AARP is hosting a roundtable discussion regarding the Housing Solutions Center on July 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at the AARP Arizona office in Peoria, Arizona.

Trudy Schuett announced she is currently working on a multimedia project with Parker Senior Center entitled, "Alone at the End of the Road". The project looks at people who retired to western Arizona in their RVs and found themselves without family or spouse to aid them after they became disabled.

Steve Laughary announced The Maricopa Elder Abuse Prevention Alliance (MEAPA) is scheduled to meet on July 16<sup>th</sup> and August 2<sup>nd</sup>; the North Valley Coalition on Aging is scheduled to meet on July 18<sup>th</sup>; and the East Valley Committee on Aging is scheduled to meet on August 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m. by Acting Committee Chairwoman Deborah Lavinsky.

### **Next Meeting:**

**The next meeting of the Social, Health & Alzheimer Committee of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging is scheduled for September 12, 2013; location to be determined and announced by public meeting notice posted at the GACA website: [www.azgovernor.gov/gaca](http://www.azgovernor.gov/gaca). These meetings are open to the public.**