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Shasta County County Public Authority
IHSS Advisory Board
1506 Market Street
Redding, CA 96001

Subject: California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance FY14-15 Membership

Dear Public Authority and IHSS A-B Chair,

On behalf of the California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance (**CICA**) extends an invitation to your organization to become a member for working together to provide a voice and representation to those you and **CICA** represents, the consumers of the IHSS program. An invoice for membership dues of "\$500 for Fiscal Year 14-15" is enclosed if you decide to join.

Fiscal Year 14-15 (FY14-15) was great in accomplishments for **CICA** representing IHSS Recipients at State Legislative hearings, meetings and supporting advocacy efforts throughout the State and in Sacramento. **CICA** serves and plays leadership roles in leading organizations representing individuals with disabilities and seniors:

- Universal Assessment Committee for the Coordinated Care Initiative,
- California Collaborative on Long-Term Services and Supports,
- California Alliance for Retired Americans (CARA),
- California Olmstead Committee,
- IHSS Coalition (accomplishments for FY13-14 enclosed).

With your support **CICA** advocates for IHSS Recipients, Care Providers, and their families in Sacramento and through individual IHSS-Advisory Boards. One of **CICA**'s popular activities is the monthly calls where information is shared about key Legislation and Regulations that will affect the State-wide IHSS Program. These calls are held on the third (3rd) Wednesday morning of the month, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (1-888-296-6828, Participant Code: 753825#).

With your support, FY14-15 Co-Presidents Janie Whiteford and Leoma Lee will continue working on past accomplishments and moving the consumer voice of the IHSS Recipients, Care Providers, and families forward to meet the goals of keeping consumers in their home. Your FY14-15 membership dues of \$500 will support **CICA** goals through education and resources to be used by IHSS Advisory Boards and their advocates.

Enclosed is an updated IRS W-9 Form and Membership Informational Form I ask to be completed by the Public Authority and your IHSS Advisory Board. If you have any questions or more information please do not hesitate to contact me by calling my phone: 1-707-441-1974; or, by email: info@cicaihss.org.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Charlie Bean' in a cursive, flowing script.

CHARLIE BEAN
Administrator

Enclosures (4)



Annual Meeting Report

March 21, 2014

2013 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CICA has been “at the table” in state legislative debate, hearings, meetings with legislators, and is a central player in advocacy efforts.

CICA now serves and plays leadership roles leading disability and senior organizations:

- ✓ Universal Assessment Committee for the Coordinated Care Initiative
- ✓ CA Collaborative on Long Term Services and Supports
- ✓ IHSS Coalition
- ✓ CARA (CA Alliance for Retired Americans)
- ✓ CA Olmstead Committee

CICA frequently presents on panels and provides public comments at Committee Hearings for both the CA Senate and CA Assembly when necessary to represent CICA’s Consumers.

CICA successfully called for consumer involvement in all administrative discussions on the Coordinated Care Initiative.

CICA’s Statewide Membership Calls on the 3rd Wednesday are garnering more and more participants going from 10 people to over 50 people in some months.

CICA keeps members involved, informed, and up-to-date on issues including IHSS, state budget issues, Department of Labor regulations, and other issues impacting IHSS recipients.

CICA’s annual meeting via teleconference in April involved over 30 counties to set goals for the year.

CICA’s monthly Executive Committee Conference set priorities and strategies for organizational issues and issues.

CICA actively engaged our members and participated in Disability Capitol Action Day (DCAD) sponsored by CFILC (CA Foundation of Independent Living Centers) in May.

CICA updated and expanded its website, e-mail blasts, and Facebook page with consumer information and action materials.