



# TACC – TRIPLE-A COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

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## Meeting Report September 27-28, 2006

TACC met in Sacramento with 18 PSAs represented: 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 31, and 33.

President Wilder presented information on a consortium of non-profits funded through the California state tax check-offs. The group plans to mount a high profile publicity campaign to educate the public about the various organizations and the work they do in order to increase contribution levels. The effort is modeled on a similar effort in Colorado which brought a 23% increase in contributions. TACC agreed to contribute \$1,000 to the consortium.

TACC heard a presentation on the California Service Corps' (CSC) efforts to increase volunteerism in the older adult population. David Muraki, Deputy Director of CSC, said the Corps' research showed that volunteerism rates dropped after retirement, although the level of interest in volunteering remained high. The CSC hopes to link older volunteers with new and engaging volunteer opportunities, as well as to help organizations in need of volunteers connect with them.

A presentation by Kay Magill, of Berkeley Policy Associates, covered a current review of the state's Medicaid plan as it relates to implementation of California's Olmstead plan. Magill's organization is subcontracted to Managed Care Consultation which was hired by the State Independent Living Council to review the use of MediCal waivers and make recommendations for changes in order to further the Olmstead goals. The study involves gathering input from a broad range of sources, including key informant interviews, community forums, and focus groups, in order to identify what works and what needs to be improved. Along with materials on the study, Magill distributed a survey for TACC members to take back for completion by their respective PSAs.

Peter Best, from the Department of Mental Health's Adult and Older Adult unit addressed the TACC on implementation of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA). The MHSA was designed to improve the delivery of mental health services to all demographic groups by evaluating the full universe of reasons for a person's mental illness, and then using an integrated and direct treatment model. Each county will receive funding once an individualized MHSA plan has been approved, based on a detailed assessment of the needs and concerns of a county's population, with 15 percent of the funding devoted to older adult mental health programming.

Sandra Fitzpatrick from the Commission on Aging presented TACC's financial statements and reported that TACC's end of the year budget was \$2,078 short. She reported that TACC's share of the new Workers' Compensation policy would be based on each member's actual meeting attendance, and would total approximately \$2,500 per year.

The combined C4A/TACC meeting schedule in November was discussed. Members planning to attend the TACC workshops must pay a \$90 registration fee, and should request the PSA to pay this fee.

Reports were heard from 15 PSA representatives.