



CBAS UPDATES

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING (CDA), COMMUNITY-BASED ADULT SERVICES (CBAS)

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WELCOME & HOUSEKEEPING

- We're happy you're here with us today
- We welcome your questions please submit via the webinar "Questions" box
- This webinar is being recorded and will be posted on the CDA website:
 https://www.aging.ca.gov/Providers_and_Partners/Community-Based_Adult_Services/#pp-tr
- Please encourage those staff and providers who were not able to join us today to listen to the webinar once posted

AGENDA

- Overview
- CDA Business:
 - New CDA staff
 - Temporary Suspension of PCR
 - 1115 Waiver Renewal
 - And More...
- Tips from the CDA Plan of Correction Desk
- Budget News
- Federal and State Policy Guidance on COVID-19
- 2021 Transition to Center-Based Services
- Training Information / Resources
- Q&A
- Wrap Up



CDA BUSINESS

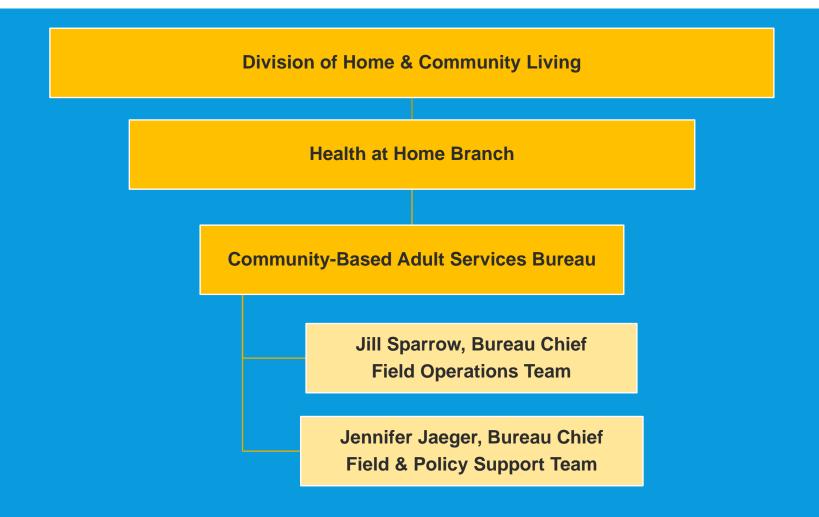
NEW STAFF INTRODUCTIONS!

Jennifer Jaeger, Bureau Chief Field & Policy Support Team

- Initial Certifications
- Certification Renewal & Change applications
- Quality Assurance/Plans of Correction
- Data collection/reporting



CBAS BRANCH ORGANIZATION UPDATE



CDA GUIDANCE & INFO

All Center Letter (ACL) 21-04 (April 8, 2021)

"Transition to Congregate Services"

ACL 21-05 (May 24, 2021)

"Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) #7, CBAS Phased Transition to Congregate Services – Live FAQs"

ACL 21-06 (June 2, 2021)

"ALERT: Temporary Suspension of the Participant Characteristics Report (PCR) Submission to CDA for June 2021"

Note: ADHC / CBAS providers are to continue to submit the Monthly Statistical Summary Report (MSSR) by the 10th day of each month for the previous month's data.

ACL 21-07 (June 18, 2021)

"Notice of Public Comment Period for California's Statewide Transition Plan (STP) and Draft CBAS Home and Community-Based (HCB) Settings Transition Plan (Draft CBAS Transition Plan)"

CBAS Updates Newsletter (June 3, 2021)

1115 WAIVER RENEWAL

California's 1115 Demonstration "Medi-Cal 2020" Waiver Renewal

CBAS is a Medi-Cal benefit under California's 1115 Demonstration "Medi-Cal 2020" Waiver which is set to expire on December 31, 2021.

To renew the 1115 Waiver, DHCS:

- Hosted a 30-day public comment period on the renewal proposal (including continuation of the CBAS program)
 Medicaid Section 1115 Demonstration Five-Year Renewal and Amendment Request: CalAIM
- Is currently reviewing public comments
- Will submit the CalAIM Section 1115 Demonstration and Section 1915(b) Waiver to CMS for approval later this summer
- Will post the CalAIM 1115 Demonstration & 1915(b) Waiver on the DHCS webpage.

Interested parties will have the opportunity to comment on the CalAIM Section 1115 demonstration waiver once posted on the CMS website during the federal public comment period.

PPE AVAILABLE TO PROVIDERS - UPDATE

- CBAS providers continue to have access to Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) through Office of Emergency Services (OES)
- Submit orders by the 10th of each month to Rebecca Hinkson at CDA
- Certain sizes/types of gloves are now available
- Order only what you will use at the center for that month. <u>Supplies intended for use at the center</u>
- Updated order form will be emailed to providers July 1st
- Questions? Contact Becky at Rebecca.Hinkson@aging.ca.gov



WEBSITE REMINDERS



https://aging.ca.gov/Providers_and_Partners/Community-Based_Adult_Services/

- Forms/Instructions
- Toolkit materials
- All Center Letters (ACL)
- And More.....

PCR DATA

Now posted on CDA-CBAS webpage

Home Providers & Partners Community-Based Adult Services

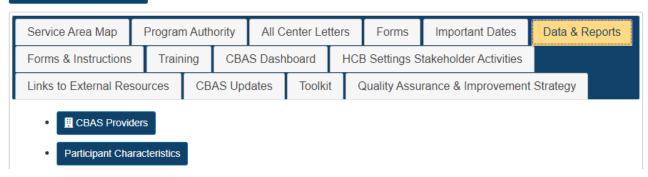
Ocean Community-Based Adult Services

The California Department of Aging (CDA) administers programs that serve older adults, adults with disabilities, family caregivers, and residents in long-term care facilities throughout the State. These services are provided locally by contracted agencies. This webpage is intended for those who provide, or seek to provide, Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS).

For Providers & Partners - Program Narrative and Fact Sheets

For Consumers - Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS)

Become a New CBAS Provider



CDA posted additional information from the CBAS Participant Characteristics Report (PCR) on the CBAS "Data & Reports" webpage at the following link:

https://aging.ca.gov/Providers_and_Partners/Community-Based Adult Services/ParticipantCharacteristics/

TIPS FROM THE POC DESK



Plan of Correction (POC)

Purpose: Correct and prevent deficiencies

Tips:

- (1) Explain how the deficiency was corrected for the participant(s), staff member(s), or problem identified.
- (2) Be as descriptive as possible:
 - How did the center determine if other participants and/or staff not identified in the SOD were similarly affected based on the deficiency?
 - What was your approach and solution(s) to reconciling the issues?
- (3) Outline the tangible and practical step-by-step process of the person responsible for implementing the correction.
- (4) Outline the tangible and practical step-by-step process of the Administrator and/or Program Director responsible for monitoring the correction.

TIPS FROM THE POC DESK



Reminders:

- POC responses must be uploaded to the PEACH portal as a Word document in the POC tool.
- List the evidence that substantiates that each specific element of the deficiency was corrected. Proof/evidence can be uploaded as a PDF document or word.
- Specific evidence is expected depending on the citation, for example:
 - Revised Policies & Procedures
 - Updated assessments, Individual Plans of Care, and flow sheets.
 - In-Service training logs
 - Updated staffing forms, registry contracts
 - New forms should include "working" sample(s), not blank forms

More Training to Come:

CDA will publish a recorded training at a later date that provides examples of best practices for each of these tips

BUDGET NEWS

The 2021-22 May Revision

• New investments of one-time and ongoing funds to build an age-friendly California and to support the growing and diversifying population of older adults, people with disabilities, and family caregivers

Home and Community Based Services Spending Plan (HCBS Plan)

- Crosses multi-departments,
- 34 initiatives, totaling approximately \$3 Billion in enhanced federal funding for the following 5
 categories: HCBS workforce; HCBS navigation; HCBS transitions; HCBS capacity and models of
 care; and HCBS infrastructure and support.
- https://aging.ca.gov/download.ashx?lEorcNUVozY7ex1pbfoDAw%3d%3d

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS IMPACTING CBAS

- 1. Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS) Certification Workload (CDA)
- \$1.9 million [\$773,000 General Fund] in 2021-22 and \$2.4 million [\$946,000 General Fund] ongoing
- 2. HCBS Plan: Alzheimer's Day Care and Resource Centers (CDA)
- \$10 million enhanced federal funding one-time
- 3. HCBS Plan: Non-IHSS HCBS Care Economy Payments (DHCS)
- \$6.25 million enhanced federal funding [\$12.5 million Total Funding] one-time
- 4. HCBS Plan: Direct Care Workforce (non-IHSS) Training and Stipends (CDA)
- \$150 million enhanced federal funding one-time
- 5. HCBS Plan: Addressing Digital Divide for Adults with HCBS (CDA)
- \$4.7 million enhanced federal funding one-time

FEDERAL AND STATE POLICY GUIDANCE ON COVID-19

Federal – Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

- Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People-Summary of Recent Changes (as of May 28, 2021)
- When You've Been Fully Vaccinated (as of May 16, 2021)
- Guidance for Adult Day Services Centers Strategies for Administrators and Staff to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 (as of May 21, 2021)

State - California Department of Public Health (CDPH)

- Upcoming CDPH guidance for ADHC/CBAS centers:
 - In progress and coming soon
 - Will be posted on the <u>CDPH All Facilities Letters (AFLs)</u> webpage
 - CDA will distribute this AFL to CBAS providers once released
- Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings Effective June 15, 2021

2021 and Beyond

TRANSITION TO CONGREGATE SERVICES... THE ROAD AHEAD

Where we're headed . . .

- We've said it before we are STILL in the COVID public health emergency (PHE)
 and we don't know how long it will last
- We now share the common goal of returning to in-center congregate services as soon as safely possible
- · We're keeping the rules flexible until further notice so we can meet our goals

TRANSITION TO CONGREGATE SERVICES... REVIEW OF KEY DATES

CBAS <u>ACL 21-04</u> "Transition to Congregate Center Services" notifies CBAS providers of the requirements and timeline for the phased transition to full congregate center services and return to regular ADHC/CBAS program requirements. The following are key dates:

April 8, 2021

• Earliest date providers may have completed activities specified in the <u>CDA 7027</u> demonstrating readiness to begin transitioning to congregate services and submit to CDA for approval.

• June 1, 2021:

All providers must have completed activities specified in the <u>CDA 7027</u> demonstrating readiness to begin transitioning to congregate services and submitted the form to CDA for approval.

• July 1, 2021:

On a rolling basis, TARs/IPCs beginning or renewing effective July 1, 2021, and beyond, shall include both congregate and any continuing need for remote services.

October 31, 2021:

 All participants continuing with CBAS are receiving services in the center at least one day per week by this date.

2021 - FROM CRISIS TO VISION

As we have throughout the PHE, CDA continues to collaborate with and build on the work of the CAADS/ALE Crisis Team, now the Vision Team, to:

- Adapt the ADHC/CBAS model to innovate and respond to the COVID PHE to keep our participants safe and meet them where they are
- Develop and provide necessary guidelines, informational materials, and training for providers
- Improve quality of care and choice for participants, particularly those with disparate health outcomes, continuing high risk of COVID, and institutional placement

VISION TEAM ACTIVITIES

Vision Team Charter: To develop a *Roadmap* for ADHC/CBAS –2021 and beyond to:

- Incrementally transition the ADHC/CBAS program to full in-center congregate services while maintaining necessary flexibility during the continuing PHE
- Build upon past experience and lessons learned during the PHE to adapt ADHC/CBAS services going forward in support of the vision and principles adopted in California's Master Plan for Aging



We've shifted gears to focus on . . .

- What comes next for CBAS . . . Beyond the phased transition to in-center services we're in now
- How we can support the important goals of the Governor's Master Plan for Aging (which overlap in many ways with goals in CalAIM)
- Policy and program changes for ADHC/CBAS that may be necessary to address these goals

Our new focus specifically:

The Governor's Master Plan for Aging

- Sets five important goals and numerous initiatives to address these goals in 2021-22.
- Direct CBAS reference:
 - MPA Goal 2: Health Reimagined [p.11]

"We will have access to the care and services we need to optimize our health and quality of life and to continue to live where we choose."

MPA Initiative 42 [p.29-30]

"Assess need and opportunities to modernize regulatory and licensing barriers for CBAS and MSSP" (with person-centered care, closing the equity gap, and improving outcomes as focus areas)

Overlapping CalAIM and MPA goals and principles:

- Managing risk and need through whole person care approaches and addressing social determinants of health
- Reducing system complexity and increasing flexibility
- Improving quality outcomes, reducing health disparities, driving innovation
- Delivering person-centered care that meets behavioral, developmental, physical and LTSS needs
- Focusing on value and outcomes

. . . .

How we're working on the task at hand:

- A smaller Vision Team work group has been meeting and asking ourselves questions like:
 - What lessons have we learned during the COVID public health emergency that might support program innovation and improvements?
 - What would improve access to community-based services that ADHC/CBAS provide?
 - How does ADHC/CBAS optimize health and well being and how might we do more?
 - What health disparities do we play a role in reducing and can we increase our impact?
 - What barriers affect our ability to meet the MPA (and CalAIM) goals and what could fix or mitigate these barriers?

Big questions!

We're working on answering.

IN SUMMARY



- We've been at this over a year and through TAS we have given a lifeline to the 35,000 participants and their families that we serve. . .
 - . . .but there is no substitute for the hands-on, eyes-on care you provide in your centers
- Our current goal is to fully transition to congregate center services as soon as safely possible
- There will be ongoing updates to the roadmap providing you with guidelines
- We're eager to continue planning and going forward with you!

TRAINING INFO

CDA CBAS Webinars Recently Posted on CDA Website*

- April 14, 2021: <u>CBAS TAS Return to Congregate Services</u>.
 Focus: policy directives in ACL 21-04 "Transition to Congregate Center Services": new requirements and a timeline for the phased transition to providing full ADHC / CBAS congregate center services sometime later in 2021.
- May 5, 2021: <u>Transition to CBAS Congregate Center Services Live FAQ</u> Webinar

Focus: interactive question and answer session to address the phased transition to congregate center services outlined in ACL 21-04.

*All past CDA webinar training slides and recordings are posted on the CDA Training webpage.

California Association for Adult Day Services (CAADS) and the Alliance for Leadership and Education (ALE)

- <u>CAADS</u> and <u>ALE</u> provide webinars with practical information for planning and implementing a safe, phased transition to CBAS congregate center services according to CDA policy guidance.
- Webinars are free to CAADS members and are open to non-members at minimal or no cost. View the free <u>webinars</u> posted on the CAADS <u>Education and Events</u> webpage.

COVID-19 RESOURCE INFORMATION

California Department of Aging (CDA)

COVID-19 Information and Resources

California Department of Developmental Services (DDS)

Coronavirus Information and Resources

California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)

DHCS COVID-19 Response

California Department of Industrial Relations

<u>COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standards – Fact Sheets,</u> <u>Model Written Program and Other Resources</u>

California Department of Public Health (CDPH)

CDPH COVID-19 Home

California Department of Social Services (DSS)

COVID-19 Information and Resources

Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

COVID-19

State of California

California COVID-19 Website



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