Dear ADRC Partners and Stakeholders,

Please see below for updates and information that may be useful to you:

- PSPS | Joint IOU Statewide AFN | Medical Baseline Flyer
  - Attached for you and your contacts is a useful summary regarding the Medical Baseline Allowance program, which is offered by all three major IOUs in California (PG&E, SCE and SDG&E). Links to their sites are included on the flyer.
    - No medical provider signature is needed through June 30, 2021, so it is it very important to distribute as soon as possible. The program continues after June 30, but the signature of a medical professional will be required after June 30.
    - The document also includes links for consumers to sign up for their respective PSPS (Public Safety Power Shutoff) alerts. This is a useful tool for customers who are on the Medical Baseline Allowance.
- ➤ Webinar: Person-Centered Systems Change: Reflections from the First NCAPPS Technical Assistance Cohort: on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, at 10:30 am PST
  - In 2019, NCAPPS received 45 applications for technical assistance with requests for support to enhance staff competencies, engage stakeholders, strengthen quality improvement, and build cross-system consistency for personcentered thinking, planning, and practice. In this webinar, representatives from four of the 15 NCAPPS states will showcase their achievements and share what they've learned and what they plan to do next. The panel will be facilitated by people with lived experience who will provide insights into why engaging people who use services is essential for personcentered systems change. Webinar Registration.
- ACL/CMS Webinar: Addressing Vaccine Hesitancy Among Direct Service Workers: Thursday July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, 12:00 – 1:30 pm PST

 Vaccine uptake among direct service workers (DSWs) is particularly important for personal health and safety and to the many individuals that DSWs support, due to the high contact, personal nature of home care. However, DSWs experience many barriers to vaccination including culturally competent and accessible information, paid sick leave and/or time off, and transportation. In this webinar, experts in the field will discuss demographics of the DSW workforce, barriers to vaccination, strategies to increase vaccine confidence and uptake, and promising practices.

Webinar Registration

## New SILC Member Recruitment

- The California State Independent Living Council (SILC) is seeking qualified individuals to serve on the Council. The SILC is an 18-member volunteer council composed of leaders who are interested in promoting independent living in the lives of people with disabilities. The SILC makes policy recommendations to the Governor on issues which impact the lives of Californians with disabilities, on programs and services, and cross-system coordination needs for people with disabilities. The SILC also influences policy and program development affecting people with disabilities.
- If interested in becoming a SILC member, please review the <u>SILC webpage</u> for more information on the work we do. You can also review the attachments which describe in more detail the types of candidates we are seeking. Next, submit a current resume to the SILC Executive Director at <u>Carrie@calsilc.ca.gov</u> and fill out the <u>application for appointment</u> available on the Governor's webpage.
- Please contact Carrie England at <u>Carrie@calsilc.ca.gov</u> with questions.









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There is nothing more important than your health. That's why we created the Medical Baseline Allowance program. Specifically designed for households that rely on in-home medical equipment, this program allows you to use more electricity at our lowest rate, which can lower your overall monthly energy costs, assuming consistent electricity use.









## Enroll Before June 30 — No Doctor's Signature Needed

The COVID consumer protections which waived the need for a medical professional's signature to apply for the Medical Baseline Allowance program expire on June 30 (a signature will be required after that date). A wide range of medical devices and equipment are eligible, so qualifying is easier than ever. Apply today and start saving!

## **Be Prepared: Get Alerts from Your Utility**

When you depend on in-home medical equipment, outages can be even more critical. We're here to help. **Sign up for Outage Alerts** and learn more about creating an Emergency Back-Up Plan.









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