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Dr. Mark Ghaly, Secretary  
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Kim McCoy Wade, Director  
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Dear Dr. Ghaly and Director McCoy Wade:

Thank you for allowing us to participate in the recent Townhall Meeting on September 14 incorporating the Bay Area & Central Coast.

We recognize our local AAA as an Independent Community Agency and as the lead funder, and the provider of comprehensive community-wide services that incorporates local resources to assist our seniors and their caregivers. Our AAA is our hub and spoke connecting and uniting community partners for the benefit of our senior residents.

We have several questions regarding the possible restructuring of the AAAs in the State of California.

1. Several goals of the proposed restructure of the AAAs include ensuring a person-centered, coordinated and equitably accessible service delivery model. What data do you have or what evidence has been gathered that demonstrates current service delivery is not person-centered, is not coordinated and equitable access to services is not being fulfilled?

2. What systems analysis will take place in order to determine to keep the 33 PSAs as is or restructure to the 40 or 58 AAAs proposed in the plan?
3. What analysis has been done surrounding the cost of planning and implementing this proposed restructuring? What costs will be annual and what will be the one time only or startup costs to each AAA and to the county during the implementation of the plan?
4. How will the CDA guarantee service deliveries will not be negatively impacted or cut due to the startup and annual costs that the plan will incur?

Thank you for your responses to our questions.

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