

Legislative Training Part II: Engaging in In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Policies

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Training Agenda



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Insure the Uninsured Project (ITUP) Mission & Vision



Mission

ITUP's mission is to promote innovative and workable policy solutions that expand health care access and improve the health of all Californians. ITUP implements its mission through policy-focused research and broad-based stakeholder engagement.

Vision

ITUP believes that all Californians should have a fair opportunity to live their healthiest lives.

ITUP Values



ITUP Seeks a Health Care System that is:

Universal – All Californians are eligible for comprehensive health coverage and services, including primary, specialty, behavioral, oral, and vision health services, as well as services that address the social determinants of health.

Equitable – All Californians receive health care coverage, treatment, and services that address the social determinants of health regardless of health status, age, ability, income, language, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, immigration status, and geographic region.

Accessible – All Californians have access to coverage options and services that are available, timely, and appropriate.

Effective – Health, health care, and related services that address the social determinants of health are person-centered, value-based, coordinated, and high-quality.

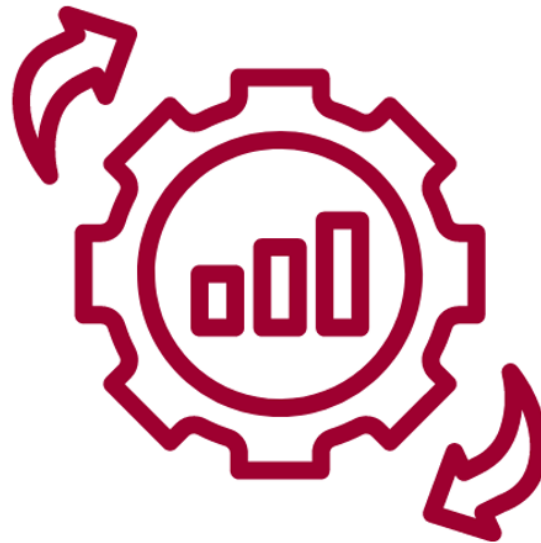
Affordable – Coverage and services are affordable for consumers at the point of purchase and care; and, at the health system level for public and private purchasers

ITUP Policy Priority Areas

Coverage and Access



Delivery System Transformation



The Future of Health



In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Program



- Provides basic services to individuals who cannot safely perform the tasks themselves.
- Administered by each county under the direction of the California Department of Social Services (CDSS).
- Alternative to out-of-home placement.
- Funded through combination of federal, state, and county funds.



Impacts to In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) from Budget Cuts

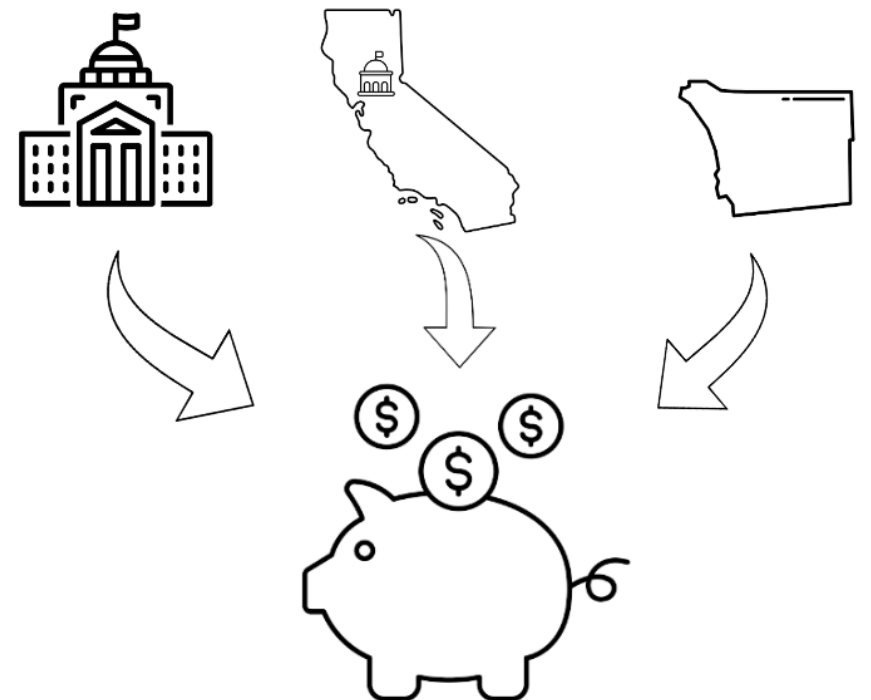


- Expansion of Medi-Cal to all undocumented immigrants began on January 1, 2024.
- California faces an estimated \$45 billion deficit.
- Proposes to eliminate IHSS expansion for undocumented individuals of all ages.
- CDSS' response
 - Mitigate and help find other government-funded programs that could provide similar services (i.e., Medi-Cal's community-based adult services programs)

In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Backup Program Overview



- Also known as ***IHSS Residual Program***
- Provides limited services to individuals who do not qualify for regular IHSS.
 - May include assistance with tasks such as bathing, dressing, grooming, meal preparation, and light housekeeping.
- Funded through combination of federal, state, and county funds.



In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Backup Program



- Eligibility
 - Those ineligible for full-scope Medi-Cal.
- Limited Services
 - Maximum of 283 hours of services for people with severe disabilities.
 - Maximum of 195 hours for people with disabilities that are not severe.
- Assessment and Authorization
 - County social services agencies will conduct assessment and authorize specific # of hours.
- Provider Selection



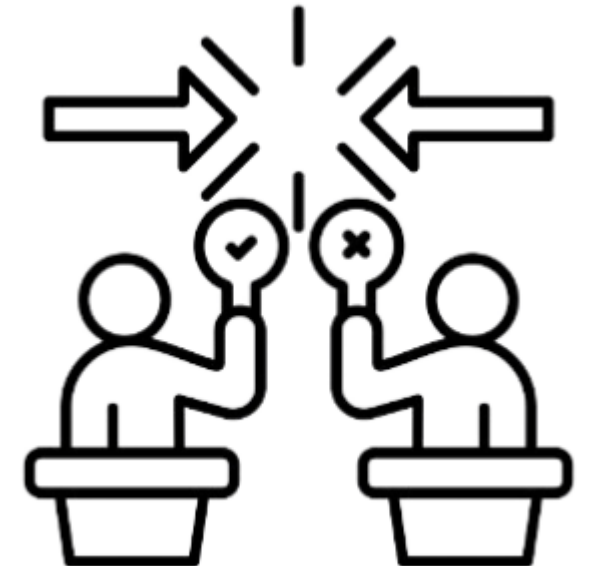
AB 817 (Pacheco)

- *Allows subsidiary bodies of a local agency to teleconference meetings without having to notice and make publicly accessible each teleconference location, or have at least a quorum participate from locations within the boundaries of the agency.*
- Current Status: in the Senate for second hearing.
- The Legislature is considering numerous proposals to amend the Brown Act.



AB 817 (Pacheco) continued

- Supporters of AB 817:
 - California Association of Public Authorities for IHSS (Sponsor)
 - California Association of Recreation & Park Districts (Sponsor)
 - League of California Cities (Sponsor)
 - Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) (Sponsor)
 - Urban Counties of California (UCC) (Sponsor)
- Opposition of AB 817:
 - ACLU California Action
 - California Common CAUSE
 - California News Publishers Association



Questions?

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