

Opportunity Update – Project Leadership
5/9/18

Family Voices of California seeks family representation at every level of community and government policymaking. Below are several upcoming opportunities that may interest you. *Project Leadership staff are available to assist parent leaders and training facilitators with participation, applications, etc. Contact ansari@familyvoicesofca.org for assistance.*

POLICY—ACTION ALERTS

- **BUDGET FOR SERVICES & SUPPORTS:** Families and professionals urgently needed for Senate Budget Committee hearing on Thursday, 5/10! Items on the agenda include: Affordable housing, funding for social recreation/camps, and minimum wage for people with disabilities. Families and professionals needed to call, write, attend, and share stories and comments! Agenda: <http://sbud.senate.ca.gov/sites/sbud.senate.ca.gov/files/SUB3/05102018Sub3HearingAgenda.pdf>

Attend in person: Thursday, 5/10 – State Capitol, Room 4203

Call/email: Senator Richard Pan, MD, Chair
Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee #3, Health and Human Services
916-651-4006
senator.pan@senate.ca.gov

PREPARE TO VOTE!

- **Wednesday, 5/23 (Live Broadcast) – Forum for Superintendent of Public Instruction candidates** <https://edsources.org/broadcasts/candidates-for-california-state-superintendent-of-public-instruction>
- **Tuesday, 5/15 (Los Angeles) – “Building” our Future: A Forum on Children with California's Gubernatorial Candidates.** <http://bit.ly/build-our-future>

POLICY—CONVENE AND LEARN

- **Friday, 5/11 (San Jose) – Legislative update luncheon** hosted by the San Andreas Regional Center Friday, 5/11. Learn more and register at <http://sanandreasregional.org/sarc-news/legislative-luncheon/>

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE – BOARDS/COMMITTEES/WORKGROUPS

- **Wednesday, 5/23 & Wednesday, 5/30 (Van Nuys, Oakland) – The Office of Administrative Hearings** is seeking parents, educators, advocates, and others to participate in workgroups: Van Nuys – Wed., 5/23; Oakland – Wed., 5/30. Space is limited and pre-registration is requested. Contact Jennifer.haley@dgs.ca.gov.

Included in previous update on 4/24/18 – Still Open

- **(Statewide) – The California Department of Health Care Services** is accepting applications for the **Medi-Cal Children’s Health Advisory Panel (MCHAP)**. Must be a Medi-Cal enrollee or a parent, foster parent, relative caregiver, or legal guardian of an enrollee who is 21 or younger. http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/Pages/Medi-Cal_Childrens_Health_Advisory_Panel.aspx
- **(Merced County) – Central California Alliance for Health** is accepting applications for the newly formed Family Advisory Committee in MERCED County, specifically for families of children with CCS. Contact Jennifer Mockus at jmockus@ccah-alliance.org for information and to apply.

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- **(Marin, SF, San Mateo Counties) – Golden Gate Regional Center** is seeking 4 new board members. http://www.ggrc.org/about-us/management-a-governance#Applying_for_BOD
- **(Contra Costa County)** – Developmental Disabilities Council is seeking board members. <http://cchealth.org/ddc/>

TRAINING/INFORMATION – Meetings, Conferences, Webinars

- **Thursday, 5/10 (Woodland) – Yolo County Health Council.** <http://www.yolocounty.org/health-human-services/boards-committees/health-council>
- **Friday, 5/11 and Friday, 5/18 (Webinar) – Core Competencies of Effective Partners Training.** <https://pfccpartners.com/core-competencies-of-effective-partners-training-cct/>
- **Saturday, 5/12 (Bakersfield) – CCS Transition Conference** for parents and professionals. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/6th-annual-ccs-transition-conference-tickets-44111418440>
- **Saturday, 5/12 (Sacramento) – Health Kids Day.** Family friendly programming in English and Spanish. <http://www.mynavigator.org/hkd2018>
- **Monday, 5/14 (Webinar) – Preparing for a Healthy College Experience** for Youth with Learning or Health Challenges. <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3503231353230193922>
- **Monday, 5/14 (Stockton) – Valley Mountain Regional Center Board Meeting.** <https://www.vmrc.net/general-page/>
- **Tuesday, 5/15 (Torrance) – Harbor Regional Center Board Meeting.** <http://www.harborrc.org/about/performance/board#schedule>
- **Wednesday, 5/16 & Wednesday, 5/30 (Webinars) – Webinar Series for Youth Self-Advocates: Leadership is a Journey.** Earlier Webinars available on demand at <http://www.fv-ncfpp.org/tools-and-resources/training-webinars/>. Learn more and register at: <http://bit.ly/youthleadershipwebinars>
- **Friday, 5/18 (Webinar) – The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Whole Child Model (WCM) Overview webinar.** Check for details and registration. <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/ccs/Pages/AdvisoryGroup.aspx>
- **Thursday 5/17-Friday, 5/18 (Sacramento) – California School-Based Health Conference.** bit.ly/CSHA2018
- **Wednesday, 5/30 (Webinar) – Family Voices of California presents, “Educational Advocacy after Brain Surgery.”** <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5657071278090414082>
- **Thursday, 5/31 & Thursday, 6/28 (Webinars) – Got Transition Webinar Series: Health Care Transition for Title V Care Coordinators.** Recordings of earlier sessions, and registration: <http://gottransition.org/webinars/index.cfm>
- **Tuesday, 6/12 (Webinar) – Supporting Children with Special Healthcare Needs in Medicaid Managed Care.** <http://bit.ly/ManagedCareWebinar0612>
- **Thursday, 7/12-Sunday, 7/15 (Dallas) – National Down Syndrome Congress Convention.** Tracks for families, professionals, educators, siblings, and self-advocates. Research and Medical Roundtable pre-conference session FREE for conference registrants. <https://www.ndscenter.org/annual-convention/>

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RESEARCH

- Help improve **state and workplace policies for family caregivers** in California by completing this brief survey. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/workcare18>

Link to survey in Spanish: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/encuestacalifornia>

- The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has opened national public enrollment in its **All of Us Research Program**, to advance "precision medicine" - personalized health prevention and medical treatment. <https://www.joinallofus.org/en>

JOBS

- The **Arc California** is hiring a full-time Director of Community Organizing. <http://www.thearca.org>.