

**LCAO Community Services Committee Meeting
December 21, 2017 @ 10:00 a.m.**

Conference Call Notes

Attendees: Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA), American Association of Service Coordinators (AASC), B'nai B'rith International, Jewish Federations of North America, Meals on Wheels America, Medicare Rights Center, National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA), National Asian Pacific Center on Aging (NAPCA), National Council on Aging (NCOA), National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a), National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs (NANASP), National Association of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs (NASOP), National Senior Corps Association

I. Budget Caps/CR/End of Year Package

- Discussed the news and legislative updates shifting by the hour, including a CR package to keep the government funded through mid-January and other provisions through March
 - In our initial review of the package by the House, a PAYGO waiver was included
 - Shared that the House was expected to vote later in the afternoon and assumption that the Senate would follow in order to meet the Friday (12/22) deadline

II. 2018 Planning

- Provided overview from Center for American Progress, Coalition on Human Needs, Indivisible, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, CLASP and Georgetown Center on Poverty and Inequality 12/19 meeting
 - Phase II of the fight will begin early next year and all hands on deck will be needed to push back against drastic cuts, "entitlement" and "welfare" reform (e.g. Medicaid, SNAP), a possible return of Graham-Cassidy, etc.
 - Monitoring and preparing for cuts and reforms proposed through budget reconciliation, the FY19 budget process and legislation. In addition, administrative action and waivers.
- Scheduling meetings with appropriators
 - We'll have a few more weeks to influence the process; [LCAO letter on lifting the Budget Control Act caps](#) was sent to congressional leadership and key committees December 15
- CS meeting schedule through June (See below)

II. Announcements

- Briefly discussed an extenders package; sharing that there's still commitment to complete it, however, offsets are still TBD
- The Eldercare Locator and n4a launched a national public education campaign, in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association and Dementia Friendly America, to support individuals with dementia, as well as their caregivers. n4a produced this consumer brochure, [Living Well with Dementia in the Community: Resources and Support](#), and a [toolkit for the Aging Network](#).

Next Meeting: January 25, 2018 at n4a from 10-11:30am

2018 LCAO Community Services Committee Meeting Schedule

All meetings will be held at n4a (1730 Rhode Island Ave. NW, Suite 1200) from 10-11:30am on the last Thursday of the month unless otherwise changed by Committee Co-Chairs and Members.

- January 25, 2018 at 10-11:30am
- February 22, 2018 at 10-11:30am
- March 29, 2018 at 10-11:30am (subject to change due to Aging in America Conference)
- April 26, 2018 at 10-11:30am
- May 31, 2018 at 10-11:30am
- June 28, 2018 at 10-11:30am
- July – remainder of year to be determined by 2018-2019 CS Committee Co-Chairs