State of Connecticut

GENERAL ASSEMBLY



AGING COMMITTEE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING, ROOM 011 HARTFORD, CT 06106-1591 TELEPHONE (860) 240-0090 Adult Day Services Working Group

11/17 Meeting Minutes – 9:00 a.m. on Zoom and YouTube

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairwoman Garibay.

The following members were present:

Rep. Jane Garibay, Rep. Anne Hughes, Chrissie Schettini, Margaret Gerundo-Murkette, Cheryl Rosenbaum, Jennifer Cavallaro, Zani Imetovski, Melissa Morton

The following members were not present:

Tracy Wodatch, Mag Morelli, Dawn Lambert, Julia Evans-Starr, Mary Pat DeCarlo,

Chairwoman Garibay welcomed the members and noted that Krista from DDS would not be available to present as planned.

Members then summarized the major topics of discussion the working group had brought up over the previous months. Among the topics discussed were lowering the age and increasing the pool size of qualifying waiver access to adult day services in order to provide support for individuals with early onset dementia and similar needs. Another topic of key discussion was increasing the reimbursement rate for adult day services to account for transportation necessities. Members also discussed the possibility of introducing a PACE system for adult day centers.

Members also discussed non-legislative ideas, including increasing messaging to clarify that adult day centers are not just "daycare". Members discussed a video (<u>https://youtu.be/XJcpZ9fkozo</u>) produced by LeadingAge CT designed to educate the public about Adult Day Services.

Chairwoman Garibay requested that members send any ideas to herself and Rep. Hughes pending further discussions and mentioned the potential for a meeting on December 8th if needed.

Chairwoman Garibay adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.