

INFORMATION BROKERING FOR LONG-TERM CARE
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**LEVERAGING RESOURCES FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES
(HCBS)
IN A
TIME OF FISCAL RETRENCHMENT**

AGENDA

Thursday – July 18, 2003

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Introduction: Purpose of the Meeting: Penny Feldman

- ◆ To assess current research-based evidence on HCBS
- ◆ To identify & prioritize the most promising state strategies & mechanisms for enhancing HCBS access, efficiency and effectiveness
- ◆ To outline associated political & practical issues involved in implementing these strategies
- ◆ To identify related information needs and opportunities for research and demonstrations to support HCBS

3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Review of the Evidence on State Strategies to Increase HCBS Access: Nancy Miller

- ◆ What are the main state strategies for increasing access?
- ◆ What are the main “drivers” of access?
- ◆ What policy levers appear to be the most effective?

3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Review of the Evidence on Impact and Cost-Effectiveness of HCBS: David Grabowski

- ◆ How strong is the evidence on HCBS costs, beneficiary outcomes, cost-effectiveness?
- ◆ What are the most promising strategies for enhancing HCBS efficiency and effectiveness?

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4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<p>Discussion of Evidence: Emergent Themes, Issues, Lessons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ What crosscutting themes emerge from the evidence? ◆ What are the unresolved questions that policymakers have about these mechanisms? ◆ What other mechanisms/strategies need to be addressed through research and synthesis?
5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Break
5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<p>Overview of State LTC Budget Cuts: Enacted and Proposed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Are the data consistent with the experience and information of the assembled experts? ◆ What modifications are needed to make the information useful to LTC decision makers?
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	<p>Panel: The State Budget Crisis: Disaster or Opportunity? A View from the States: Chris Gianopoulos, Maine; Gregory Vadner, Missouri; Chuck Wilhelm, Wisconsin <i>Discussant: Diane Braunstein, National Governors' Association</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ What LTC cuts have been enacted/proposed in your state and why? ◆ What initiatives, if any, have been curtailed? ◆ What new initiatives or opportunities have emerged – or might emerge – that are consistent with the current fiscal situation? ◆ What, if any, national reform would be most helpful to your state?
6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	Reception
7:15 p.m.	Dinner

Friday – July 19, 2003

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

**Overview: Case Studies of Colorado, Michigan, Pennsylvania:
Dann Milne**

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**Shifting the Balance between Institutional and Home &
Community Based Services**

- ◆ What is the most useful set of organizing principles that can assist policy makers in thinking about “rebalancing” strategies, mechanisms and options?
- ◆ Which strategies and mechanisms appear to have been most successful in CO, MI, and PA? Why? Which have been least successful and why? Which are most generalizable to other states?
- ◆ Which of these would you single out as most important in an era of fiscal retrenchment?

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Meeting participants will break into small groups. Each group will focus on a broad strategy and related “high leverage” mechanisms for “rebalancing.”

- ◆ What are the “high leverage” mechanisms within this broad strategy?
- ◆ What are the main political issues that affect their feasibility?
- ◆ What are the main practical issues that affect their feasibility?
- ◆ What are the potential benefits? Potential negative/perverse/unintended consequences?
- ◆ What are the additional information needs?
- ◆ Would you recommend a demonstration to test out your recommended approach/mechanisms? What would the demonstration look like?

12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Report back

The small groups will report back on their groups’ findings, and areas of similarity and disagreement will be discussed.

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Summary and conclusions

Meeting participants will formulate their priorities, recommendations and “cautions”