



SENIOR COALITION OF STANISLAUS COUNTY
Long Term Care Integration (LTCI) Committee

Exploring the potential for LTCI in Stanislaus County - and determining what is required to improve the provision of long term services and supports for older adults and adults with disabilities.

Purpose: The SCSC LTCI Committee is to: (1) explore the potential for long term care integration (LTCI) in Stanislaus County; (2) determine what is required to improve the provision of long term services and supports (LTSS) that will benefit older adults and adults with disabilities; and (3) develop a strategic plan that includes recommendations to guide improvements in the organization, availability and financing of LTSS.

Vision: The recommendations of the SCSC LTCI Committee, when implemented, will create a more integrated service delivery system, which will improve the quality of care and the quality of life for older adults and adults with disabilities. LTCI is the integration of home and community-based LTSS with the delivery of primary and acute care services, and institutional long-term care services, in a coordinated managed care environment for older adults and adults with disabilities.

Guiding Principles: The Senior Coalition of Stanislaus County will continue to focus on Long Term Services and Supports in Stanislaus County following the California Collaborative Guiding Principles for LTSS:

1. **Dignity:** Services are grounded in respect for the person who uses them and driven by the preferences of that person.
2. **Choice:** Access to all types of services is provided on an equal footing.
3. **Flexibility:** Services are comprehensive and flexible enough to meet changing needs and incorporate new modes of service and supports.
4. **Quality:** Long term services and supports (LTSS) are of the highest quality, and seek to improve the recipients' health and quality of life.
5. **Importance of Caregivers:** Services and supports reinforce, augment and acknowledge the vital role of both paid and unpaid family members and unpaid informal caregivers.
6. **Cultural Competence:** Services are appropriate and responsive to the needs of unserved and underserved populations and are cost effective for the person and the system.
7. **Accessibility:** Services and information about them are easy to locate and use, and are physically and programmatically accessible.
8. **Inclusive:** The system recognizes and supports the crucial role of high-quality paid and unpaid caregivers, including family caregivers, and emphasizes family caregiver and workforce development and training.
9. **Adequate Funding of LTSS:** Sufficient funding is provided for LTSS. Toward this end, additional federal and state funding is sought to support a comprehensive LTSS delivery system that provides high quality services.
10. **Housing as a Health Care Resource:** The availability of affordable, accessible and adaptable housing options is an essential component of the LTSS delivery system.
11. **Transportation:** Better transportation options are crucial for older adults to receive services in the least restrictive setting.

Long Term Care Integration (LTCI) is defined as the integration of home and community-based long term care services with the delivery of primary and acute care services, and institutional long term care services, for older adults and adults with disabilities. Those in this population who are eligible for Medi-Cal are currently enrolled in to a managed care health plan - for primary and acute care services - throughout California under an 1115 Waiver. If implemented, all services included under LTCI in Stanislaus County would become part of this managed care system.