

THE LONG TERM CARE DISCUSSION GROUP

SPEAKERS & MEETING TOPICS: 2004-2010

2004

Month	Speaker (s)	Topic
January	Janet Forlini (ALFA) and Karen Love (Consumer Consortium on Assisted Living)	New Topics in Assisted Living
February	Doug Badger, Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy	
March	Steve McConnell, Alzheimer's Association	
April	Diane Braunstein (NGA)	State Initiatives in Long Term Care
May	Mark Meiners (GMU)	Medicare/Medicaid Integration
June	Joan Melanson (LTC Partners) and Art Stein, agent	LTC Insurance Tutorial
July	No meeting	
August	No meeting	
September	Russ Bodoff, Center for Aging Services Technologies	
October	Pam Doty and Hunter McKay, ASPE	HHS LTC Awareness Campaign and Managed Long Term Care
November	Bob Blancato (Matz Blancato and Associates) and Randy Hardock (Davis and Harman)	Election Wrap Up and Analysis
December	No Meeting	

2005

Month	Speaker (s)	Topic
January	Bill Vaughan, Families USA and Matt Salo (NGA)	Medicaid
February	Joel White, Staff Director, House Ways and Means	
March	Rhonda Richards (AARP)	AARP Position on LTC Partnership Programs
April	Ken Van Pool and Kara Getz, Senate Aging	Proposal for a LTC Trust Account
May	David Rosenfeld, Counsel to House Committee on Energy and Commerce	Medicaid and Long Term Care
June	Todd Smith (AHCA)	White House Conference on Aging — Mini-Conference
July	Joe Foley (UNUM)	Disability Concerns and Need for LTC Insurance
August	No meeting	
September	Steve Moses, Center for LTC Reform	
October	Connie Garner, Minority Director, Senate HELP Committee	Senate Initiatives on Long Term Care
November		
December		

2006

Month	Speaker (s)	Topic
January	Dorcas Hardy	White House Conference on Aging
February	Roy Ramthun, White House	Health and LTC Initiatives
March	Mark Warshawsky (Treasury)	Proposal for Annuities and LTC
April	Jen Vesey, Lauren Ackil, Senate & Todd Smith, AHCA	Follow up to White House Conference on Aging
May	Matt Canedy, Jonathan Cooper, Senate. Karl Polzer, NCAL	Medicare Part D Coalition
June	Sam Shipley (ASPE) and Eileen J. Tell (Long Term Care Group)	Own Your Future LTC Awareness Campaign
July	Paula Domenici (Sen. Clinton)	Cash and Counseling
August	No meeting	
September	Peggy Handrich	MASS Health and LTC Reforms
October	Linda Velgouse (AoA)	National Clearinghouse for Long Term Care Information (www.longtermcare.gov)
November	ACLI - host	Election results
December	Reception to Honor Rep. Nancy Johnson	

2007

Month	Speaker (s)	Topic
January	Jocelyn Moore and Tyler Thompson	Senate Activities in LTC
February	Lindsay Morris	Senate Aging Initiatives
March	Jessica Miller	LTC Claims Admissions cohort study
April	Keysha Brooks	Senate Legislative Proposals for LTC
May	David Stevenson, Ph.D., Harvard University	Impact of LTC Tax Incentives for LTC Insurance
June	Josh Albert & Mike Thompson	House legislative proposals for LTC
July	Brian Atchinson	IMSA Marketing Standards
August	No meeting	
September	Joy Cameron (NGA)	State LTC Initiatives
October	Hunter McKay, ASPE	Update on new DRA Long Term Care Partnerships
November	Barbara Manard, AAHSA	AAHSA LTC financing proposal
December	Doug Pace	LTC Quality Commission Report

2008

Month	Speaker (s)	Topic
January	Howard Gleckman (Urban)	LTC Reform Proposals
February	Matthew Berger, Senate Small Business	Section 125 cafeteria plan treatment for LTC
March	Karl Polzer and Janice Zalen, AHCA/NCAL	AHCA/NCAL/Alliance for Quality Nursing Home Care LTC Reform Proposal
April	Josh Wiener and Marc Freiman, RTI	New NIC Compendium of long term care financing
May	Steve Moses, Center for LTC Reform	National LTC Consciousness Tour
June	Mark Meiners (GMU) and Hunter McKay (ASPE)	LTC Partnership programs
July	Elias Papasavvas, CEO, Elderlife Financial Services	Consumer home loans for LTC
August	No meeting	
September	Senator Ron Wyden	Health Americans Act legislation
October	Craig Springfield, Seth Perretta, Davis & Harmon	Cafeteria Plans and LTC' — Prospects for the 2009 legislative session
November	Bob Blancato and Janet Trautwein	Prospects for LTC for 2009 Election and Administration and Hill Action
December	Connie Garner, Policy Director, Senator Kennedy	Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee

2009

Month	Speaker (s)	Topic
January	Anne Montgomery and Cara Goldstein, Senate Aging Committee; Kate King, CMS and Carrie Blakeway, Lewin Group	LTC Workforce Issues
February	Tom Hamilton & Cindy Graunke, CMS	CMS Nursing Home Compare
March	Mike McLendon, Veteran's Administration	VA LTC System
April	Shawn Bloom, PACE	Managed Medicaid and PACE
May	Pam Larson & Virginia Reno, NASI	Strengthening Social Security for LTC
June	Lina Walker, AARP & Brian Burwell, Thomson Reuters	Home and Community Based Services (Re)-Balancing
July	Brian Bischoff, Healthsense	In-Home Electronic Monitoring
August	No meeting	
September	Hunter McKay (ASPE)	New LTC Partnerships
October	Robert Mollica, Independent Policy Researcher, & Karl Polzer, NCAL	Study of State Medicaid Policy and Payment for Assisted Living & Related Issues
November	Katie Maslow, Alzheimer's Association	Alzheimer's Research
December	Gail Hunt, National Alliance of Caregiving	Caregiving in the US: the 2009 National Caregiver Survey

2010

Month	Speaker (s)	Topic
January	Naomi Karp, AARP Public Policy Institute & Bob Blancato, Matz, Blancato & Associates	Safe at Home? Developing Effective Criminal Background Checks & Other Screening Policies for Home Care Workers
February	No meeting	
March	Connie Garner, staff on Senate Health Education Labor and Pensions Committee	Health Care Reform: The CLASS Act
April	Pamela Doty, DHHS; Marc Cohen and Jessica Miller, LifePlans, Inc.	Private Long-Term Care Insurance Claimants: A Cohort's Experience
May	Kyle Rothery, Genworth Financial	Annuities and Long Term Care Insurance
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