



Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging

May 11, 2020

Remote Meeting: Email agingstrategy@state.co.us

- 12:00 Noon Welcome, Roll Call, and Approval of April Minutes and May Agenda
- 12:10 pm Budget Update
- 12:15 pm Context Setting for State Structure and Governance Discussion
- Review of Proposed & Existing State Structure and Governance Amid COVID-19 – What Structure would Serve Older Coloradans Best? - Small Groups
- *Select a note taker, record notes in a word document, and share screen during report out*
- 1:00 pm Report Out
- 1:20 pm Break
- 1:30 pm Identify Recommendations Related to Multiple Domains: Residential Long-Term Care & Community-Based Care, Age-Friendly Public Health and Age-Friendly Health Care, and Workforce Development and Retirement Security
- *Select a note taker, record notes in a word document, and share screen during report out*
- 2:00 pm Report Out
- 2:30 pm Update from Working Groups
- 2:45 pm Public Comment
- 3:00 pm Adjourn

Next Meeting June 8, 2020

Possible Effects on Long Term Planning from COVID-19

- The state budget will be reduced by 10 to 20% from previous year, and planned cuts to Medicaid have been announced. Future budgets might also be affected.



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- Most service providers and healthcare providers have seen a dramatic loss in service fees. The financial impact of low service volume puts these provider networks at risk of default and going out of business. This is a primary concern to the viability of many government funded programs.
- Infection control requirements and Covid prevention have added short and long term costs to our healthcare system, especially hospitals, provider offices, LTSS, HBC, Senior residential housing and other home based services.
- The frailest of older adults have gained visibility due their vulnerability to Covid-19. This attention is could attract resources to the needs of older adults and funding for programs in healthcare and home-based services.
- This attention to older adults could reinforce a negative stereotype of about older adults as vulnerable and frail—which is not helpful for workforce goals. This could be pronounced with younger generations who see the impact of Covid as mostly an economic concern.
- The extent to which online technologies and digital modalities have impacted everyone and are “here to stay”.