



Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging

Long-Term Services and Support Committee
Meeting Minutes – February 24, 2019

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Key Notes and Takeaways:

- Important to reinforce how the issues of family support/caregiving and long-term services and supports are intertwined – this should be a common theme throughout committee efforts
- New York dementia-specific respite care delayed placement in formal long-term care setting by about 14 months
- Consider evaluating options to allow home and community-based services waivers to continue into residential care settings
- Concerns over misplacement in care settings
- Recent bill, SB20-173, introduced to increase reimbursement rates for alternate care facilities (i.e., assisted living residences)

Action Items:

- Gabriel Kaplan to share dementia-specific New York respite care model and pursue more information from Alzheimer's Association with support from Kelly Osthoff
- Jarett Hughes to review Colorado Respite Task Force recommendations to identify progress
- Jarett Hughes will track SB20-173
- Sarah Elliott to share information related to Complex Service Solutions Council
- Christian Itin to reach out to contacts regarding Washington state Long Term Care Trust Act
- Jarett Hughes will explore progress on Colorado Respite Care Task Force recommendations
- Committee focus will begin as follows:
 - o Complex Service Solutions Council
 - o Alzheimer's Disease Caregiver Support Initiative – New York
 - o Washington State Long-Term Care
 - o Wellness Funds