

# AAA Committee Recommendation Report

## Report to the AAA Board

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From: ☐ Access Committee ☒ Legislative/Advocacy Committee ☐ Nutrition/Wellness Committee

### History/Related Actions

At the 5/23/18 Legislative/Advocacy Committee meeting, the Dane County Legislative Agenda was discussed and resulted in the following recommendation:

*Committee members proposed the following items be added to the Services to Adults, the Developmentally/Physically Disabled, and Mentally Ill section of the 2018-2020 Dane County Legislative Agenda:*

- *Oppose decreases/support increases of programs and services affecting older adults.*
- *Oppose the reduction of educational and licensure requirements for health care professionals.*
- *Oppose funding allocation and distribution methods that disadvantage Dane County.*

*Committee members proposed the following changes be made to existing items in Services to Older Adults, the Developmentally/Physically Disabled and Mentally Ill section of the 2019-2021 Dane County Legislative Agenda:*

- *In Item 6, edit the penultimate sentence to read: Support adequate funding of ADRCs.*
- *Remove Item 7.*
- *In Item 13, change the first sentence to read: Oppose changes that weaken the Family Care, IRIS and Partnership programs or privatize Aging & Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs).*

*A motion was made by SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by BUNCK, to recommend that the AAA Board endorse the three new items and three changes listed above to the 2019-2021 Dane County Legislative Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:*

<i>Ayes</i>	<i>6</i>	BUNCK, JOSEPHSON, MARTIN, MCHONE, OLSON, SCHMIDLKOFER
<i>Absent</i>	<i>3</i>	DAVIS, FRAZIER, KAUD

### Financial/Budget/Other Resource Implications (if any)

Unknown

### Recommendations

To approve the additions and changes of the 2015-2017 Dane County Legislative Agenda as recommended by the AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee.

### Attachments

Proposed Changes

# Proposed Changes to 2015-2017 Dane County Legislative Agenda

## Services to Older Adults, the Developmentally/Physically Disabled and Mentally Ill

6) **Long Term Care Reform:** Plans developed by the state in the area of long term care need to protect quality and availability of services to consumers and maintain control by the county of programs or relieve the county of financial aid and/or legal obligations for the programs and participants if the county is not involved with these programs in the future. The required county contribution towards LTC should be equitably negotiated. Support adequate funding for the start-up and ongoing funding of ADRCs. Amend Chapter 55 to delineate state and county responsibilities.

~~7) **Equitable Funding for Long Term Care:** Extend higher federal MA reimbursement rates under the federal stimulus package to current county administered long term care MA waiver programs where county revenues comprise the non federal match. Support freezing further county participation in Family Care until the State can fully fund county program start-up costs and find more equitable ways of funding Family Care without penalizing counties, such as Dane, for the substantial financial commitment and innovative approaches already taken to meet long term care needs of its residents."~~

13) **Family Care/IRIS:** Oppose changes that weaken the Family Care, IRIS, and Partnership programs the elimination of CIP/COP waivers, proposed negative changes to the Family Support program/Medicaid Personal Care Services and weakening or privatization of Aging & Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs). These changes would create dire consequences for people with developmental disabilities, children with disabilities and their families, people with physical disabilities and older adults in Dane County.