Who Cares About Herminia?

The Governor’s May Revise proposes the elimination of Community Based Adult Services (CBAS), which will result in the loss of essential services and denial of health care for 37,000 vulnerable seniors and adults with disabilities.

Thousands of vulnerable seniors will be discharged to nursing homes, which are estimated to be the source of nearly ½ of all COVID-19 deaths in California.

RESTORE FUNDING FOR ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE SERVICES (CBAS) NOW
Demand that the California Legislature and Governor Newsom Restore Funding for Adult Day Health Care (CBAS) NOW!

**FACT:** Thousands of seniors who are currently safe at home will be sent to already overburdened nursing homes which are estimated to be the source of nearly half of all California COVID-19 deaths.

Mercury News, May 8, 2020: Coronavirus: Nearly half of state deaths are among senior care home patients and staff

Adult Day Health Care Centers have responded to the COVID-19 crisis by shifting to providing services at home, including food delivery, medical supplies and health check-ups for the most vulnerable among us. When Herminia’s family goes back to work, where will she go?

**FACT:** Closing Adult Day Health Care Centers is fiscally reckless—it will cost the state MORE.

Community-based care is more cost effective than institutional care. Do the Math: The state currently pays $76 per client per day for these services. In California, Medi-Cal reimburses skilled nursing facilities an average of $219.57 per day.

https://www.caahf.org/About/Consumer-Help/Facts-and-Statistics

**FACT:** The courts have already ruled that the elimination of California’s Adult Day Health Care Centers is a violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Darling et al. v. Douglas et al. C: 09-03798

In 2011, the Brown Administration tried to eliminate Adult Day Health Care. Elder law advocates sued the state and stopped the cuts. Does California want to spend more taxpayer money defending immoral and irresponsible cuts that are clearly illegal?

**TAKE ACTION IMMEDIATELY—the state budget is being finalized NOW.**

Contact your State Assembly Members and Senators and tell them to STOP the elimination of Adult Day Health Care (CBAS).

#ProtectOurElders  #ElderCareIsCriticalCare

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Join these organizations who care about Herminia in demanding protection of California’s Adult Day Health Care Centers.

- Alameda Alliance for Health
- Alliance for Leadership and Education
- Alzheimer’s Orange County
- Choice in Aging
- California Association for Adult Day Services
- California Council of the Alzheimer’s Association
- Collabria Care
- Easter Seals
- Family Bridges, Inc.
- National Adult Day Services Association
- Neighborhood House Association
- Orange County Adult Day Services Coalition
- Peg Taylor Center for Adult Day Health Care
- SteppingStone Health
- Yolo Adult Day Health Center

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