

Surviving Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Committee
Civil Legal Needs and Services NOTES
8/4/2020 at 10:00 AM

- The Co-chairs send a CARES act funding request to the head of the Task Force to request money for Adult Protective Services. 1.7 million.
 - Money will help with access to the courts, reporting system, medical care, food and more. Will help provide better care and legal services to vulnerable adults.
 - Laura will send our request to the Committee.
- The Economic Benefits committee has also send a survey to MLSC grantees, but their questions are different.
 - Maybe we can send our survey to Reena to make sure it is not duplicative?
- Our survey is exempt for the Human Subject Research Laws, however because this is such a high profile endeavor we will go through an IRB review board to make sure the survey is sound.

Going over the survey

- Majority of the survey is done. Only a few changes
 - Question 2: Include an option for Walk-in? Many people are directed to services as they walk into the court house
 - ^ Same for Q3 and Q4.
- Q5: include category for sexual assault survivors and domestic violence survivors?
 - Change the wording of the question- “Do you serve...”
 - Want to avoid the participant shifting through questions that don't apply to them/who they serve.
- For the percentage question- Include categories for domestic violence + Sexual Assault.
- Do we want to keep Q13 and Q14? Superfluous?
 - Keep 13
 - Q14-”Based on the question above, has your service increased/decreased/no change/not applicable?”
- Q16- Included option for limited.no access to physical office.
- Q20- Change legal residency and change to immigration status.
- Q21-Look to the pro bono/low bono committee to see how the issue of income requirements may have changed during the pandemic.
 - Long term goal.
- Q23- Include a timeframe. “March 2019-August 2019” How many clients did you serve?
- Q24- March 2020-AUGust 2020 how many clients...”
- Q27- tweak questions to refer to court processing/filings
- Q29- Keep this question but also include a more open-ended question to capture everything.
- Remove 29(d).
- Q30- Problems with remote hearings
- Q31- Benefits of remote hearings.

SURVEY IS DONE :)

Next meeting: Monday August 17 10:00 AM

Intended recipients: MLSC grantees, OPD, Chair of the Elder Law section for MSBA, Audrey Davis-manages DHS contracts for lawyers who represent CINA.

Please continue adding stakeholders to our spreadsheet.