



Talking Points to support CBAS/ADHC funding

For calling elected official

My name is _____ and I reside at _____.

I am calling today to ask Senator/Assemblymember _____ to inform Governor Newsom that the proposed funding cuts to the Adult Day Health Care/Community Based Adult Services program are ill-advised and will not result in savings to California, but rather result in cost-shifting and an INCREASE in costs to care for this vulnerable population.

- Adult Day Health Care/Community Based Adult Services (CBAS) is an essential part of care for frail older adults.
- These programs are PROVEN to save money, reduce Emergency Department visits, reduce hospitalizations, and reduce admissions to Skilled Nursing Facilities.
- Nearly 3,000 frail older adults currently benefit from these programs in Orange County. If these funding cuts happen 17 CBAS centers would highly likely be forced to close.
- Family caregivers rely on CBAS centers to care for vulnerable older adult loved ones, to go to work, handle person business, manage their own health and attend school.
- The State of California attempted to eliminate this funding ten years ago, but the courts blocked the cuts, ruling that closing the Adult Day Health Care/ CBAS Centers violated the Olmstead Decision.
- Please ask Governor Newsom to reconsider and preserve the funding for the CBAS centers.

Update on CBAS/ADHC Budget Cuts

On June 3rd, the CA Assembly and the CA Senate agreed to reject the Governor's planned budget cuts to essential services for older adults and adults with disabilities, and put forth a new budget proposal preserving funding for these programs. While we are very encouraged by this action, it is CRITICAL that we communicate to Governor Newsom how important it is that Adult Day Health Care/CBAS, MSSP, and the Caregiver Resource Centers be part of the California plan for addressing the current and future needs of our aging population.

Next Steps In Saving CBAS/ADHS Funding

Contact Governor Newsom

- 1) Go to <https://govapps.gov.ca.gov/gov40mail/>
- 2) Enter your name, email, and choose option "Budget Proposal 2020-21" You will then be able to send a message to the Governor. Here is a suggested message:

"I support the Legislature's budget proposal which PRESERVES funding for Adult Day Health Care/CBAS, MSSP, and the Caregiver Resource Centers. These effective and cost-effective programs must be part of the California Plan for addressing the current and future needs of our aging population."