## **HEALTH AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE OF THE COA**

Meeting Notes 9:30 am-11:00 pm January 5, 2021

## 7300 Calhoun Place, Room 6B, Rockville, MD (Virtual Meeting via Zoom)

In Attendance: In Attendance: Marsha Weber, Eddie Rivas, Neal Brown, Marsha Pruzan, Ann Serafenas, Barbara Selter, Joyce Dubow, Wayne Berman, Dorie Hightower, Maritza Rivera, Rev Vikram, Jean Dinwiddie, Austin Heyman, Kendall Matthews, Monique Gardner, Arlee Wallace, Liz Rhee, Elaine Binder, Noelle Ronald and Art Williams.

Staff: Tina Purser-Langley

Guest: Robin Henoch (Note taker), David Engel

Topic	Discussion Points	Decisions/follow-up
1. Welcome and Introductions	Marsha asked everyone to introduce themselves.	1.
2. December Minutes	2. Minutes Approved	2.
3. Update on HEARS Program – David and letter on testing	<ul> <li>3. Updates <ul> <li>a. Letter was sent regarding testing in Montgomery County</li> <li>b. Access HEARS Program is currently distributing PSAPs to low income, African American older adults in the Baltimore area and would like to spread to Montgomery County. Would like to provide some information to the Commission to possibly help expand into our county.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	8.

4. County Priorities for	4. Sean O'Donnell to be invited to the February meeting to help
Vaccine Administration	us understand vaccine rollout and administration.  Community First Choice and Aging and
5. Follow-up Discussion on topics – Priority and next steps for the committee	Us understand vaccine rollout and administration.  5. Home Based Services (HBS)  a. Ideas: County Programs, Waiver Program, Advocate for family members receiving caregiver payments, ways CoA can have an impact?  i. Are there opportunities to provide more resources to make the programs more available?  ii. Community First Choice – provides care to many county residents  iii. Shift seems to be going more to Home Based Care  iv. Perhaps paying, training, and supporting family caregivers? Aging and Disability Services provides this program.  v. Telehealth services to helping people stay at
	home.
6. Isolation Task Force	6. Committee been working on resources for the community. Suggestion for bringing speakers to the full commission.
7. SHIP	<ul> <li>7. How can we help SHIP promote what they are doing?</li> <li>a. 3000 number promotes</li> <li>b. GROWS just had them speak</li> <li>c. Promoting information to access the services.</li> </ul>

8. Next Meeting	8. Next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2021 at 9:30 am. Meeting Adjourned 11:00 AM.	

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3. Next Steps	
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4. Next meeting date	