

Elected Official Phone Call Talking Points

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.