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Q1 Issue Statement: [State the problem your recommendation will address. Insert links to reports where appropriate.]

Infrastructure: Workforce

Adult Protective Services Training

California's laws for investigating and responding to elder abuse are overly complex, resulting in a wide variation in implementation across the state. This translates into inconsistent responses and a lack of information on victims or abusers, all of which impedes efforts to protect victims, track offenders and reduce recidivism.

Adult Protective Services (APS) provides essential advocacy and services to promote the wellbeing and independence of elders and adults with disabilities. APS social workers carry out complex investigations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation in collaboration with long-term care ombudsmen, community care licensing, law enforcement, and other key stakeholders. Beginning in 2011, fiscal and programmatic control of APS was realigned from the state to the county level, which has brought about increased inconsistencies among counties in training, investigation and response.

Q2 MPA Framework Goal #: [Check which goal/s this recommendation addresses. View MPA Framework document]

Goal 1: Services & Supports. We will live where we choose as we age and have the help we and our families need to do so.

Goal 4: Economic Security and Safety. We will have economic security and be safe from abuse, neglect, exploitation, and natural disasters and emergencies throughout our lives.

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Q3 MPA Framework Objective #: [Check which objective/s this recommendation addresses. View MPA Framework document]

Objective 1.1: Californians will have access to the help we need to live in the homes and communities we choose as we age.

Objective 3.1: Californians will live in communities with policies and programs that promote well-being throughout our lifespans.

Objective 4.1: Californians will be economically secure throughout our life span with access to housing, food, and income as we age.

Objective 4.2: Californians will be protected from abuse, neglect, and exploitation as we age.

Q4 Recommendation: [Explain your recommendation in one to two sentences.]

The state should increase training requirements and support for APS social workers, long-term care ombudsmen, and law enforcement entities that are responsible for investigating and responding to abuse, including how and when to report.

Q5 Target Population and Numbers: [Describe groups of Californians impacted by this recommendation, with numbers if available.]

Elders and disabled adults

Q6 Detailed Recommendation: [Insert detailed bullet points describing your recommendation.]

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Evidence that supports the recommendation: [Add links or summaries of research evidence that support the recommendation. Provide links or summaries of research evidence that support your recommendation]

Respondent skipped this question

Q8 Examples of local, state or national initiatives that can be used as an example of a best practice: [Provide any available links and sources.] Local: State: National: Other:

Respondent skipped this question

Q9 Implementation: [Insert actions state agencies, legislators, counties, local government, or philanthropy can take to move this recommendation forward. Some of the entities listed below may or may not be applicable to each recommendation.] State Agencies/Departments: [action to be taken by Governor or specific state agencies] State Legislature: [legislation needed to implement recommendation] Local Government: Federal Government: Private Sector: Community-Based Organizations: Philanthropy: Other:

State Legislature

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Q10 Person-Centered Metrics: [Individual measures of inputs or outcomes that can be used to measure the recommended action's impact on people.]

Respondent skipped this question

Q11 Measuring Success: [Describe specific metrics that could be used to empirically measure the effectiveness of your recommendation]

Respondent skipped this question

Q12 Measuring Success: [How would we know that the implementation of your recommendation is successful?]

Respondent skipped this question

Q13 Data Sources: [What existing data can be used to measure success or progress?]: Existing data sources: [specify datasets, variables, and data owner/location] Suggestions for data collection to evaluate implementation of this goal when no data sources exist:

Respondent skipped this question

Q14 Potential Costs/Savings: [insert any research, actuarial analysis or other evidence of the cost of this recommendation or potential savings]

Respondent skipped this question

Q15 Prioritization: [How would you prioritize your recommendation relative to other needs/priorities?]

High

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