PUZZLING ISSUES FOR THE DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICE PROVIDER

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TODAY WE'LL TALK ABOUT

- State Budget outcomes
- Next steps in reform
- Current policy initiatives

FY 19-20 STATE BUDGET

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

- California's total state Budget over \$200 billion
- Major investments in:
 - Health care
 - Education
 - Housing



IDD BUDGET OUTCOMES

Investments

- Provider rates with sunset
- Uniform Holiday suspension





- Oversight
- Outcomes
- Future Considerations

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

OVERALL RATE STUDY FINDINGS

- Underfunding of current rates of \$1.8 Billion
- More transparent rate models



- Geographic adjustments
- Staff tiers
- Cultural sensitivity

ARCA RATE STUDY RESPONSE

- 1. Stabilize the system
- 2. Do no harm
- 3. Greatest good



- 5. Transparency
- 6. Future adjustments

THE PATH TO REFORM

• Trailer Bill Language requires:

 Discussion on system reforms, (including fiscal) to better serve consumers, including creation of a sustainable, innovative, cost-effective, consumer-focused, and outcomes-based service delivery system

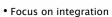
 DDS finalization of rate models



BEYOND THE BUDGET

CMS SETTINGS RULE

• Released in 2014 with implementation by 2022



- State transition plans
- California next steps:
 - Trainings
 - Assessments



DIVERSITY

- Shifting demographics in California
- Need cultural sensitivity and responsiveness
- Linguistic capabilities, including ASL



