

July 14, 2020

**AGENDA ITEM 11 F.
INFORMATION ITEM**

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

Date of Meeting

July 13, 2020

Meeting's Focus

The Self-Advocates Advisory Committee met on July 13, 2020 over Zoom. The Committee reviewed Council business relating to self-advocacy and discussed adjustments of life given the increase of COVID—19 and release of updates from the Governor of California's stay at home order and reopening plans. The committee discussed the impact of Cycle 43 Grant Proposals on self-advocates across the state. The Committee discussed challenges that have emerged due to the prolonged nature of COVID—19, specifically focusing on COVID—19 impact on Health and Safety related issues, access to accessible and affordable housing, and access to education. Members shared their personal experiences with access in each area, as well as the social impact social distancing is having on people with disabilities and their mental health in their communities.

Committee members shared their concerns on the effect COVID—19 has had on access to support services. Members raised concerns about potential community spread of COVID—19 in congregate settings such as skilled nursing facilities, group homes and day programs.

The Committee took the following actions:

Item's Acted Upon

- Approved the May 11, 2020 meeting minutes.
- Recommended Council approve the State Plan Committee's Recommendations related to Cycle 43 Grants

Future Meeting Dates

The Committee is meeting on September 14, 2020.