

**COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
CALIFORNIA**

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For the Agenda of:
June 17, 2009

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
Subject: Report Back On Area 4 On Aging Ombudsman Contract
Contact: Ann Edwards-Buckley, Acting Director, 875-2002

BACKGROUND

During the June 15, 2009 Budget Workshop, DHHS was requested to report back on what services are provided within the Area 4 On Aging Ombudsman contract.

DISCUSSION

The contract with Area 4 On Aging provides for an ombudsman to visit area residential care facilities for the elderly for the purpose of facility monitoring. The goal of the ombudsman contract is to reduce the level of elder abuse, neglect and improve the level of care in residential care facilities. The ombudsman does not inspect or handle board and care issues. The California State Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing Program is responsible for the licensing and inspection of board and care homes and adult residential facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

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