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<b>Meeting: Policy and Advocacy Committee Notes</b>	
Date: April 30, 2020	Time: 9:30am - 10:30am
Zoom online	
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Attendees:	Janlee Wong, Blake Beecher, Kim Mayer, Carolyn Shin, Vida Castaneda, Cheryl Whittle, Michelle Rainer, Kathryn Kietzman, Katie Perry, CaSonya Thomas, Jerry Shapiro, Maggie Armistead, Susan Culbertson, Tina Paddock, Stuart Oppenheim, Jenell Thompson, Gabriela Fischer, Mauricio Wright
<b>Agenda/Topics</b>	
	Welcome and Introductions
	II. Meeting purpose
	III. Review and approval of November minutes
	IV. Updates since last meeting
	V. New Topics
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. COVID-19 policy implications on CalSWEC and MSW programs               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education model must include both distance learning and in-person learning, skills development</li> <li>• Field model includes distance learning, remote field supervision, experience in both in-person and tele-services</li> <li>• New curriculum, practice and policy theories, research and methods will need to be developed</li> <li>• The student health center should be planning on adequate PPE supply and virus testing.</li> <li>• Cooperation needed between schools with medical centers, research labs, and production capabilities and schools lacking capabilities.</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. BBS cloud-based student transcripts and program certifications submission option</li> <li>c. Serve Evaluation RFP</li> </ul>
	VI. Next Steps
<b>Discussion</b>	
Major Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes from last meeting were approved</li> </ul>
	Updates/New Topics
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Potential policy impacts due to budget cuts due to the current crisis. These cuts are likely to be across UC, CSU, and state and county budgets</li> <li>• Impact on MSW programs and IV-E is currently unknown. The IV-E budget for next 2-year cycle is set to be finalized July 1<sup>st</sup>. There are no reported plans or proposals that committee members were aware of that would reduce IV-E funding</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Significant Field placement concerns regarding availability of</li> </ul>

	<p>placements this fall. Many agencies aren't set up to provide virtual services yet. Some are not going to be taking students, programs may need to set up internship structure and supervision</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Fall 2020 Internships, liability, and risk management issues loom large and are uncertain</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● All NASW events and trainings are now virtual, NASW is advocating for temporality easing telehealth modalities, licensure requirements, identifying social workers as 1<sup>st</sup> responders or essential workers so they are more involved in providing services in the current situation. NASW has facilitated the collaboration of volunteer licensed personnel providing free mental health support services to first responders</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Importance of continuing to emphasize child abuse prevention in the currently reactive environment</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Discussed how it is important for us to be proactive in the current situation to think outside of the box and present proposals to government agencies, counties, and other entities.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● BBS electronic transcript system was announced and will be discussed at the CADD meeting later today</li> </ul>
	<p>Serve evaluation RFP</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Update provided regarding the 3 serve PCs. Funding for each position was increased from \$55,000 to \$75,000 and a SERVE Evaluation RFP should be coming out by the end of May 2020. To petition for increased funding and support, it is important that data is gathered and outcomes evaluated.</li> </ul>