



the compassion to care, the leadership to conquer

State Alzheimer's Disease Plan Purple Ribbon Panel

Purpose

- To raise awareness of the impending Alzheimer's epidemic and the need for California to prepare by developing a State Alzheimer's Disease Plan. (The State Plan is required pursuant to SB 491 (Alquist), which the Legislature passed and the Governor signed in October 2008)
- To engage high profile California leaders, including business, health, advocacy, political and entertainment, in order to establish their stake in the issue of Alzheimer's and the need for California to prepare for the Alzheimer's epidemic.
- To enhance follow-up and implementation of the Plan

Members

Willie Brown, founder of Institute on Politics and Public Service, former Speaker of the California State Assembly and former Mayor of San Francisco

Lloyd Dean, CEO and President of Catholic Healthcare West, consultant to President Obama on health care reform

Jonathan Fielding, M.D., Public Health Officer and Director of Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

Leeza Gibbons, founder of Leeza's Place, Alzheimer's disease advocate (Governor's appointee) on the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee for stem cell research, family caregiver

Jennie Chen Hansen, President, National AARP Board; On Lok Senior Health Services: former Executive Director and Board Member Emeritus

Robert Lagomarsino, former Congressman from Ventura, serving as President Ronald Reagan's Congressman while he was in the White House; former member of the California State Assembly and Senate

Kirsten Mangers, Co-Founder and CEO of WebVisible founding director of the Technology Leadership Political Action Committee, board member of the Alzheimer's Association, Orange County Chapter

Arnold Millstein, M.D., Medical Director of Pacific Business Group; member of the Medicare Advisory Group, which is advisory to the U.S. Congress; Chief Physician at Mercer Health and Benefits

Fernando Torres-Gil, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs at UCLA School of Public Affairs, formerly Professor of Gerontology and Public Administration at University of Southern California, appointed by President Clinton as the first Assistant Secretary of Aging in the Department of Health and Human Services, family caregiver