



**Consumers for Quality Care, No Matter Where initiative
National Advisory Council Meeting**

October 4, 2012

2:00 pm Eastern

Agenda

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- On the call:

- Gail MacInnes, PHI
- Courtney Roman, National Partnership for Women and Families
- Robyn Grant- Consumer Voice

1. Consumer Perspectives on Quality Home Care report

a. Ideas for promotion and dissemination

Council members had the following ideas for how to disseminate the report to a larger audience:

- Send the report out to Universities and Institutes on Aging
- Send the report to NPR.

b. Discussion of how to begin work on policy recommendations in the report

Council members made a number of suggestions:

- Speak with a representative on the Hill to introduce a bill stemming from the report in the next Congress. There was discussion about what the focus of the bill might be and one member thought the recommendation calling for HCBS to be mandatory would get bipartisan support.
- Write up case studies to highlight home care agencies that give consumers the right to choose their care workers and hours.
- Conduct a study and analysis of states that have long-term care ombudsman services in the home setting to see what consumers think the benefits of these programs are.

2. Upcoming events:

a. 3rd national conference call: November 14, 2012

It was suggested that disability organizations should be invited to participate in the call.

b. Consumer Input Council: December 11, 2012

Next call: January 3, 2013 at 2:00 pm Eastern