

Welcome to carehomeonline.com. If you are thinking the term “care home” is getting a little tired, I might agree. Picking a web site name is an interesting process. So many names are taken and you want it to be clear and to the point. I usually like to refer to what I do as residential services. For now it will be carehomeonline.com. More importantly, what is it? I was haunted with this question throughout the process of developing this site. The answer, today, is this web site will be an informational warehouse for all things residential. If it is not specific to residential services under the regional center system, it will not be here.

The problem currently is the warehouse is not very full. I’ve pulled together a few things to kick start the process, but the true contributor to this web site is all of us. It may be an article in your local paper, a link where you found useful information, something you wrote and want to share, something you’ve done in your home that you are proud of, information about Title 17 and Title 22 that you want to share, information from a VAC meeting or board meeting in your area, an assembly bill specific to residential services, your kids hand painting that looks like a turkey, etc. Content can come from any person having an interest in our community, maybe even from the Mother Ship in Sacramento.

I think we are overdue for this type of water cooler gathering point. There are so many of us throughout California, often reinventing the same wheel over and over. As we combine our knowledge, we make ourselves and our field stronger.

My job from this point will be to coordinate content and get it posted, and do outreach to other regional centers. Please, take a look around. Consider it like a pilot TV show that may require many changes before getting it right.

One thing I do want to stay away from is making this site in to one more opportunity to tell you what you have to do. We all have DSP One and Two, Title 17, and Title 22 to define our jobs. Instead, I want this to be more the Teachers Lounge, where we take a little breather from the day to day stuff, drink our coffee, post some things of interest, and mingle.

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