



# 2023 Service Coordinator Caseload Ratio Report



# <u>Agenda</u>

- Results of the recent (March 2023)
   Caseload Ratio Survey
- Planning for Continued Caseload Growth
  - Anticipated new positions
- Alternative Staffing Model



## What Does the Caseload Ratio Survey Measure?

- Surveys are completed semi-annually calculates how many individuals each SC supports
- Compares our actual ratio to the requirements in W&I Code Section 4640.6

#### Note:

- The impact of the pandemic more regional center SCs have retired, resigned or on leaves of absence
- DDS/State of CA has made a significant investment in RC's





## **Working Towards Caseload Reduction**

In 2022-2023

- Added a new Early Childhood Team to serve children 3 to under 6-year olds, including children with a Provisional Diagnosis
- Added additional Early Intervention team to serve birth to 3year olds
- Added a new Older Adult team to serve our aging population
  - Added 3 new Manager positions
  - Added 3 new Secretary positions
- Total Hired 45 service coordinators in 2022.

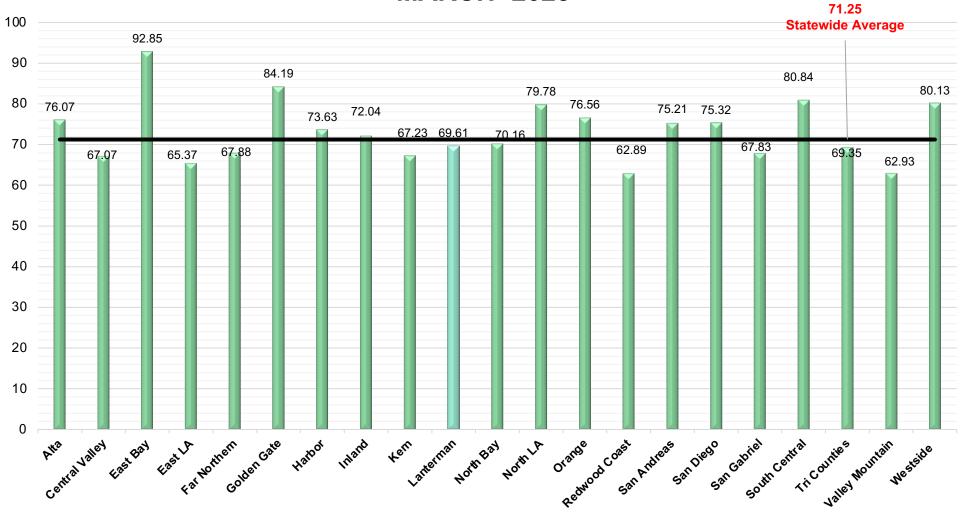




## Overall Caseload Ratio MARCH- 2023



- ❖ FDLRC ratio is 1:69.61
- FDLRC Last year 1:79.8
- \* 12.8% decrease in caseload ratio





❖ Required Ratio 1:40

(Age 0-3, was 1:62)

- ❖ FDLRC is at 1:57.8
- ❖ FDLRC Last year 1:64.7
- \* 10.7% decrease in caseload ratio
- ❖ Statewide Average 1:64.6

### **Caseload Ratio - Consumers Age 0 to Under 6 years**



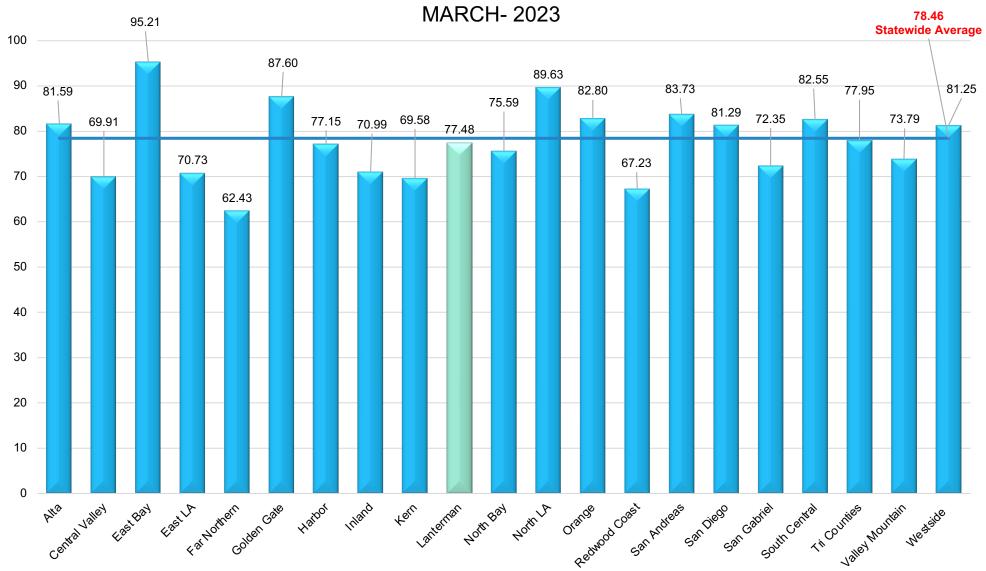




## Caseload Ratio - Consumers on the HCBS Waiver MARCH- 2023



- ❖ FDLRC is at 1:77.5
- ❖ FDLRC Last Year 1:82.4
- 6% decrease in caseload ratio
- Statewide Average 1:78.5







### **Caseload Ratio - All Other Consumers**

**OCTOBER - 2023** 

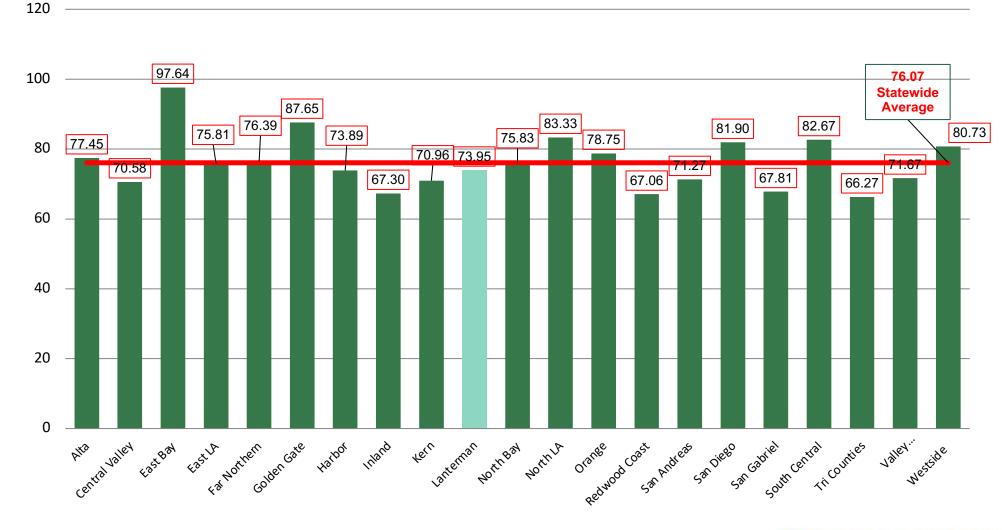


❖ FDLRC is at 1:74

❖ FDLRC Last Year 1:83.9

\* 11.8% decrease in caseload ratio

Statewide Average 1:76







## **CHALLENGES**

Internal promotions add to our recruitment needs

Domino effect

### Recruit for language need

- 90% of our SC staff speak at least a second language
- Currently recruiting for Spanish, Korean, Chinese, Tagalog



## RECRUITMENT EFFORTS

#### Have increased our advertising budget

- Social Media
- Website Job board

#### Referral fee to staff

 Half payment when someone is hired and second half when the person successfully completes their introductory period

#### Have a dedicated Interview Panel

- Aware of all needs within the Center
- Able to make quicker decisions, thus offer positions quicker





## **Coordinating Case Management Services**

- As part of our service coordination model FDLRC plans to continue its longstanding Alternative Staffing Model
- Coordinating services is a team effort of many regional center staff
  - Individual service coordinator
  - Other regional center specialists such as
    - Clinical Staff
    - KYRC Staff
    - Quality Assurance
    - Fiscal and accounting
- Our 2023-24 proposal continues to use:
  - 2 FTE Quality Assurance Specialists
  - 2 FTE KYRC Family Support Specialists





# Staffing

....service coordination shall include those activities necessary to implement an individual program plan, including, but not limited to, participation in the IPP process; assurance that the planning team considers all appropriate options for meeting each individual program plan objective; securing, through purchasing or by obtaining from generic agencies or other resources, services and supports specified in the person's IPP; coordination of services and support programs; collection and dissemination of information; and monitoring implementation of the plan to ascertain that objectives have been fulfilled and to assist in revising the plan as necessary.

Welfare and Institutions Code, section 4647 (a)





## **Coordinating Case Management Services**

### Quality Assurance Specialists

- Specialized staff conduct residential service monitoring and provide technical assistance as needed
- Helps assure individuals are referred to quality services
- SC's can focus their efforts on the individuals served and not be distracted by the additional responsibilities of monitoring the licensed residential homes

### KYRC Family Support Specialists

- Provide 1 to 1 support, as well as formal education and training
- Provides direct and timely access to information and supports required by families
- Supports the SC teams with the production of printed and audiovisual materials for the use of families and clients.
- Supports the SC teams with the initial orientation to new clients and their families.





## In Summary.....

- The 2023-2024 budget is still being evaluated.
- We anticipate we will add an additional team to our Ongoing Units.
- Focus will be on Young Adults.
- We will also evaluate whether we need to add additional SC's to our Early Intervention and Early Childhood teams.
  And....
- Will continue with our Alternative Staffing Model



- If you support our plan, we want to take a vote during this meeting
- We will be collecting written support for the Alternative Staffing Model through September as part of our annual submission process.

Please submit any written input by September 2023

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