August 17, 2021

Dear Lanterman Community,

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) has found that Lanterman Regional Center is out of compliance with the requirements of the Welfare and Institutions Code, section 4640.6 (c), which requires that regional centers maintain caseload ratios at or below specific averages.

On March 1, 2021 Lanterman reported the following caseload ratios:

Medicaid Waiver
 Children under 3
 1:82 (the required ratio is 1:62)
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Individuals who moved from a developmental center over 24 months ago

1:70 (the required ratio is 1:62)

Individuals who moved from a developmental center between 12 & 24 months ago

1:43 (the required ratio is 1:45)

Complex Needs 1:24 (the required ratio is 1:25)
 Over 3, not on Waiver 1:70 (the required ratio is 1:66)

Welfare and Institutions Code 4640.6 (f) requires a plan of correction be developed for a regional center that has not complied with the caseload ratio requirements for two consecutive years. The regional center is required to solicit input from its community, including families, adults served by the regional center, service providers, the State Council, recognized labor unions and other interested parties.

Please read the draft response letter. If you would like to provide input, please submit via email to communityinput@lanterman.org or send via U.S. Mail by August 31, 2021 to the address below:

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