



February 25, 2016

To: LRC Residential Providers

From: Karen Ingram, Director of Community Services

Re: CMS Final Rule

Hopefully you are aware that the CMS Final Rule specifies that federal funds cannot be used to fund segregated services for persons with disabilities effective March 17, 2019. While California's plan to transition programs to meet the new standards has not yet been approved by CMS, we know that change *is* coming and we believe it is important that we begin planning now.

Lanterman Regional Center is conducting a series of meetings with service providers by service category to begin the conversation. These meetings are intended only for the owners, licensees or senior administration so that we may share what is known about the CMS Final Rule at this time. This first meeting is intended to share the limited information we have at this time, and begin the process of generating questions to ask DDS. Additional meetings will be scheduled on a regular basis over the next two years as we work together to ensure a smooth transition to a new way of providing residential services.

Three sessions are scheduled for residential providers - we ask that you select only one. These initial meetings are limited to you and one other person from your agency or organization.

Tuesday, March 22
10:30am – 12:00pm
BCR
230 E. Amherst St
Burbank 91504

Monday, March 28
10:30am – 12:00pm
Magnolia Place
1910 Magnolia Ave.
Los Angeles 90007

Tuesday, March 29
10:30am – 12:00pm
AbilityFirst
201 S. Kinneloa Ave
Pasadena 91107

Parking: all sites have parking lots and street parking, but carpooling is encouraged.

Please RSVP by March 15, 2016 to Irma Padilla, ipadilla@lanterman.org or 213-252-6006. You will need to let her know which day you will attend and who is coming with you.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this process.