

Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center  
CLIENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

August 8, 2011

MINUTES

**PRESENT**

Mary Flynn, Chair  
Brian Bialick  
Mark Haber  
Ervand Kestonian  
Howard McBroom  
Brian Newkirk  
Ana Villasenor  
Daniel Weisbin

**NOT PRESENT**

Emily Saiset  
Tzvi Burston  
Todd Withers  
Thomas Fambro

**GUESTS**

Aaron Gamez  
Julie Ganoa  
Rigo Ganoa

**STAFF**

Marie McGinley  
Helene Schultz

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Flynn at 4:36 P.M.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of June 13, 2011 were read by Mr. McBroom and approved by consensus.

**EMERGENCY CARD & DISASTER PREPAREDNESS**

The Committee continued discussion on creating an emergency card that each client could carry with them. The Committee agreed by consensus that that the card should include the following information: name, address, one or more phone numbers, and an emergency contact's information. Other information that could be added would be medications, medical condition(s), and physician's contact information.

**ACTION: Mary Flynn, Brian Bialick, Julie Ganoa, and Rigo Ganoa volunteered to be on a sub-committee to work on the details for the emergency card.**

The Committee discussed disaster preparedness. Ms. Flynn announced that on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:20 A.M., there will be a Great Shake Out Drill in California. The earthquake drill will include hospitals, schools, transportation entities, and Regional Centers. A handout with website information was given to the Committee. Ms. Flynn informed the Committee that clients living independently are eligible to receive a free emergency preparedness backpack.

**ACTION: Ms. Maureen Wilson, Director of Training & Development, will attend the October meeting to talk more about disaster preparedness.**

### **MEN'S HEALTH WELLNESS**

Ms. Flynn reminded the Committee that a memo was sent to the Executive Director regarding the development of a Men's Health Wellness class at Lanterman. She reported that Ms. Wilson applied for a grant, but was unsuccessful in securing the grant. Ms. Flynn reported that Ms. Wilson will re-apply should the opportunity arise.

### **OTHER**

#### **CAC ARCA Meeting**

Ms. Flynn reported that she attended the recent CAC ARCA meeting in Sacramento. The main topic of discussion was "Do we prefer to be called clients or consumers."

The Committee discussed their preference. Seven preferred "client," 2 preferred "consumer," and 2 "did not care".

**ACTION: The Committee will continue discussion on this topic at a future meeting.**

#### **CBS Studios**

Mr. Aaron Gamez announced that the CBS studios will be having an event to promote autism and there will be an Inclusion Films booth at the event. He encouraged everyone to attend if possible.

### **NEXT MEETING: COMMUNITY MEETING**

Ms. Flynn reported that next month the Committee will be hosting the annual community meeting. She encouraged all to attend and to invite their friends and family. That meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2011 at 4:30 PM.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

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