

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

November 7, 2018

MINUTES

PRESENT

Mark Higgins, Chair
Larry DeBoer
Gloria Leiva
Dina Richman - Conference Call

STAFF

Patrick Aulicino
Enrique Roman
Melinda Sullivan - Conference Call

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Higgins called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of October 10, 2018 were approved by consensus.

ALTERNATIVE STAFFING MODEL

Ms. Sullivan asked the Executive Committee to authorize the submission of the Alternative Staffing Model to DDS. The model will allow the inclusion of 5 additional positions in the March 2019 caseload ratio survey. The 5 positions include 2 Quality Assurance, 2 Family Support and 1 Information and Referral positions.

Ms. Sullivan explained the DDS criteria for approval of a model.

- Community supports the model
- Must show value to the regional center community
- Must report support/opposition of community

By using the data from the 2018 caseload ratio survey, Ms. Sullivan gave the Committee a mathematical example using the model:

- 10,033 / by 134 service coordinators – overall ratio was 75:1
- Using the proposed model, 10,033/ by 139 (134 SCs + 5 proposed positions) – overall ratio would be 72:1
- Using the three recently authorized service coordinator positions, 10,033/ by 142 – overall ratio would be 71:1

Ms. Sullivan reminded the Committee that the Alternative Staffing Model was presented at the 4 recent community meetings in September and to All Staff on October 23, 2018. To date, she has received letters of support from 24 parents, 6 service providers, and 3 community organizations. She has not received letters of opposition to date.

The Committee was in agreement by consensus to recommend that the Board authorize the submission of the Alternative Staffing Model.

CASELOAD RATIO PLAN OF CORRECTION

For Information Only –

Ms. Sullivan advised the Committee that the Center received a letter from DDS acknowledging receipt of the Center's caseload ratio plan of correction submitted on August 1, 2018 and noted that it will continue monitoring the Center's future caseload ratio submissions for compliance with the statute.

SERVICIE PROVIDER RATE VISITS

For Information Only –

Ms. Sullivan shared information with the Committee that a coalition of Southern California Regional Centers and Service Providers is forming to take part in local legislative visits (early grassroots efforts) in support of an 8% increase in reimbursement rates for service providers. It is the hope that it would be included in the release of the January budget for FY 2019-20.

This will be an agenda item at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The conference call was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

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