Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center
Service Provider Advisory Committee
December 4, 2019
Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM and introductions were made.

SPAC MEMBERS PRESENT
Kimberly West-Isaac
Traci Jones-Martinez
Keri Castaneda
Jim Storck
Nicole Hajjar
Yvonne Nakamoto
Greg Sanchez
Kyra Griffith
Kelly White

EXCUSED
Dee Prescott

GUESTS
Nicole Mackey – AbilityFirst
Christian De Paz – ACT
Brian Nguyen – Easterseals
Jacklin Pfaff – TES Therapy
Nancy Niebrugge – The Campbell Center
Sam Anuakpado – LSS/Avanti
Lisa Peterson – Shield Healthcare
Janet Upjohn – Cheerful Helpers

STAFF
Karen Ingram
Sonia Garibay

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The minutes of October 4, 2019 were accepted as submitted.

Public Comments
No public comments.

REPORTS
Board Meeting
Ms. Isaac reported the following:

- Regional Center is reviewing all contracts and doing a training on AB 5.
- The Respite Service Standard was revised to comply with new DDS requirements and approved by the Board.
Breakfast Committee
All agreed that the SP Recognition breakfast went very well and everyone was pleased with the venue, the food but especially with Ms. Ingram’s speech. Ms. Maureen Wilson will be asked to book the same venue for next year’s breakfast.

OLD BUSINESS
Legislative Activities
No activity

HCBS Updates
Ms. Garibay informed that the Day Programs group will meet Friday December 6 at Easterseals at 10:00AM. The Children’s Programs group will meet January 30 possibly at Lanterman at 10:00AM.

Ms. Garibay will participate in a statewide phone call next week regarding the self-assessments that will be e-mailed to providers affected by the HCBS rules.

Ms. Garibay informed that the 2019/20 transition applications were due November 22. Lanterman received 4 applications from day programs that have applied in the past requesting funds to continue providing services. Any questions regarding transition applications should be sent to Ms. Garibay.

NEW BUSINESS
Pre-school Stipend Increase
Ms. Ingram reported that the maximum pre-school stipend will increase from $625.00 to $788.00 per month effective January 1, 2020. Pre-school providers will be notified of this increase.

January 1, 2020 Increase
Ms. Ingram distributed the list of service codes that will receive a temporary rate increase. Most service codes will receive an 8.2% increase from January 1, 2020 thru December 31, 2021, but some will receive a lower temporary rate increase. Some providers questioned why the 8.2% increase was not applied to all service codes; Ms. Ingram shared that the decision was made based on the Rate Study results. Some service codes (116, 851, etc.) were omitted from this list.

Ms. Ingram informed that the one year rate increase of 2.1% that providers received this year will end on April 30, 2020.

2020 Committee Goals
Ms. Isaac reported that all goals for 2019 were met.

The Committee Goals for 2020 are:
• Host the Service Provider Recognition Breakfast (November 4)
• Host the annual Community Meeting for providers (September 2)
• Host up to 2 Vendor Fairs
• Host a Provider Training
SP Recognition Breakfast Sub-Committee
- Traci Jones Martinez
- Kim Isaac
- Yvonne Nakamoto
- Greg Sanchez
- Jim Storck

Vendor Fair Sub-Committee
- Kyra Griffith
- Nicole Hajjar
- Greg Sanchez
- Jim Storck

Provider Training Sub-Committee
- Nicole Hajjar
- Kyra Griffith
- Kelly White
- Yvonne Nakamoto
- Keri Castaneda
- Kim Isaac
- Dee Prescott

New Residential Tool
Ms. Isaac reported that she met with a CCL analyst; CCL’s inspections for Adult and Children’s homes using the new Residential Tool will start in January 2020. These visits will last from 1 to 3 days. The tool focuses on prevention, compliance and enforcement, and has been piloted in Northern California. CCL is also ensuring that admission agreements include provisions for evictions. The tool includes drop-down menus to assess civil penalties for areas where providers are not in compliance.

Ms. Isaac encouraged residential providers to review and revise their vendorization documents (Program Design, Admission Agreement, etc.) especially if they were vendored years ago, to be in compliance with current licensing requirements.

Meeting Dates and Goodie Hosts
- January 1 – No meeting
- February 5 – Nicole, Smile + Wonder
- March 4 – Kim, CalWes Homes
- April 1 – Yvonne, Total Education Solutions
- May 6 – Kelly, Villa Esperanza Services
- June 3 – Keri, AbilityFirst
- July 1 – No meeting
- August 5 – Traci, Adventist Health Glendale
- September 2 – Community Meeting @ LRC
• October 7 – Greg, Home Instead Senior Care
• November 4 – SP Breakfast
• December 2 – Jim, Autumn Cottage

**UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS**
• Mr. Sanchez – Senior Program at Huntington Hospital is collecting Christmas gifts for seniors.

**ADJOURNMENT**
The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 AM

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**Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting**

**ATTENDANCE**

| K. WEST-ISAAC - Chair | SP | X | N | N |
| T. JONES MARTINEZ | B | X | O | O |
| K. CASTANEDA | R | X | M | |
| N. HAJJAR | E | X | E | M |
| D. PRESCOTT | A | E | E | E |
| J. STORCK | K | X | T | E |
| Y. NAKAMOTO | F | X | I | T |
| G. SANCHEZ | A | X | N | I |
| K. GRIFFITH | S | X | G | N |
| K. WHITE | T | X | G | |

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