

**Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center
Service Provider Advisory Committee
Hosted by Serrano Home Care Service
August 7, 2013
Minutes**

SPAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Kelly White
Traci Jones-Martinez
Oscar Carvajal
Kimberly West-Isaac
Shelby Forn
Bill Murphy
Sandy Doughty
Emily Lloyd
Isis McDonald
Israel Ibanez

GUESTS

Noey Garcia – In2Vision
Kathleen Kolenda – Easter Seals
Maurilia Aguilar – Progressive Behavioral Therapy
Daniel Lopez – Inclusion Services
Maggie Tovar – D.G. Therapy
Zaide Cedillo – D.G. Therapy
Miriam Whitfield – Social Vocational Services

STAFF

Karen Ingram

The meeting was called to order at 10:05a.m. and introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 5, 2013 were accepted as submitted.

REPORTS

Board Meeting

As the Board didn't meet in July, Ms. White reported the following from June's meeting:

- The budget was signed on time. LRC didn't need to use a line of credit.
- Disparity in POS spending: LRC held two public meetings on June 26 to review the LRC data as prepared by DDS and discuss recommendations to resolve the disparities.
- Trailer Bill Language prohibits regional centers from paying insurance deductibles, but allows for the payment of co-insurance and co-payments.
- Board elections were held and officers were voted on.
- DC Closures – Closure for LDC is scheduled for December 2014. The State has a task force to develop a plan for the future of the remaining DCs. Ron Cohen, UCP,

and Will Sandford will be part of this task force, as well as parents and providers. A report must be presented to DDS by December 2013.

LDC Closure Update

Ms. Ingram reported that as of today, there are only 24 LRC clients remaining at LDC with an overall population of below 200 clients. Per the LRC CPP Coordinator, the last LRC client may be moving into the community by the end of 2013.

OLD BUSINESS

SPAC Breakfast

The subcommittee has arranged for this year's program. Easter Seals will donate the center pieces for the tables, Optima Family Services will donate the tote bags and ECF will coordinate the goodie bag donations. Committee members were encouraged to approach other providers and their own vendors to donate promotional items for the goodie bags. The "Save the Date" postcards were mailed on August 5. Assembly of goodie bags will be at AbilityFirst on October 5, after the SPAC meeting.

Legislative Update

Ms. Ingram gave an update on the following bills:

- AB 954 (Maienschein) – would increase the hourly rate for supported employment to \$34.24/hour (the 2006 rate). ARCA supports this Bill.
- AB 1041 (Chesbro) – would expand the Employment First Policy. ARCA supports this Bill if amended.
- SB 158 (Correa) – would create a demonstration project to provide improved services, supports, interventions and other resources to assist individuals with autism reside in underserved communities. ARCA supports this Bill.
- SB 391 (DeSaulnier) – would assess a \$75 fee for various real estate transactions to create a permanent and on-going source of funds for affordable housing. ARCA supports this bill.
- SB 468 (Emmerson) – would expand Self Directed services to all regional centers. ARCA opposes unless amended.
- SB 555 (Correa) – would require that IPPs and IFSPs be written in the native language of the family. Requires regional centers to provide translators for all meetings. ARCA opposes this Bill.
- SB 579 (Berryhill) – would create "Oversight Efficiency & Quality Enhancement Model" pilot to have regional center only monitoring of licensed programs. ARCA sponsors and supports this bill.

Ms. Ingram reminded providers that Legislation signed into law requires licensed programs to report incidents within 2 hours of incident or knowledge of incident if the suspected abuse results in serious bodily injury. Local law enforcement must be notified too.

NEW BUSINESS

Disparity Report

Ms. Ingram reviewed with the committee the disparity information that was presented at the Community Meetings on June 26.

TBL Changes

AB 89 – one of the Trailer Bills signed by the Governor. Permits regional centers to pay co-insurance and co-payments if the family's income is less than 400% of the poverty level, if services are in the IFSP or IPP, if the services are offered by the health plan and if there is no third party payer. Exceptions may be made in specific circumstances.

The Annual Program Fee for eligible families will be an on-going process.

The 1.25% rate reduction for providers and regional centers ended on June 30, 2013.

The changes that were implemented last year for Supported Living Services continue: use of the standardized assessment to determine if the services are still necessary, sufficient and cost effective.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS

- Ms. Lloyd shared that ECF Art Center has been added to the Fine Art Component at Amazon. To view all the art pieces log on Amazon.com. The open house for their new art center in SCLARC's area is scheduled for September 12, from 2-4 PM
- Effective July 1, 2013, APS reporting can be electronically filed.
- Providers were encouraged to attend the Community Meeting in September at LRC.

UPCOMING MEETING SITES FOR 2013

September 4 – LRC Community Meeting @ FDLRC

October 2 – AbilityFirst – Pasadena

November 6 – Annual Breakfast @ Brookside Golf Course

December 4 – Easter Seals – Glendale

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am

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Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting
ATTENDANCE

2012-2013	N O V 12	D E C 12	J A N 13	F E B 13	M A R 13	A P R 13	M A Y 13	J U N 13	J U L 13	A U G 13	S E P 13	O C T 13	T O T A L
K. WHITE, Chair	SP	X	X	X	N	X	X	X	N	X	X		
I. McDONALD	B	X	X	X	O	E	X	E	O	X	X		
E. LLOYD	R	X	E	X		E	X	X		X	X		
O. CARVAJAL	E	X	X	X	M	X	X	X	M	X	E		
T. JONES MARTINEZ	A	X	X	X	E	X	X	X	E	X	X		
S. FORN	K	X	E	X	E	X	X	X	E	X	E		
S. DOUGHTY	F	X	E	X	T	X	X	X	T	X	X		
B. MURPHY	A	X	E	X	I	X	X	X	I	X	X		
K. WEST-ISAAC	S	X	X	X	N	X	E	X	N	X	X		
I. IBANEZ*	T				G		X*	E	G	X	X		

New member*