

**Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center
Service Provider Advisory Committee
Hosted by The Campbell Center
August 2, 2017
Minutes**

SPAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Kimberly West-Isaac
Jim Storck
Israel Ibanez
Dee Prescott
Miriam Whitfield
Sandy Moreno
Nicole Hajjar

EXCUSED

Traci Jones-Martinez
Keri Castaneda

GUESTS

Angela Cooper – The Campbell Center
Marvin Espinoza – The Jeffrey Foundation
Dacia Fusaro – Jewish Family Service
Janet Upjohn – Cheerful Helpers
Kelly White – Villa Esperanza Services
Beatrice Diaz – In2Vision
Cindi Raimondi – ABLE
Shelley Fernandez – SEEK Education
Arpi Gulgulyan – The Campbell Center
Shanna Hart – AbilityFirst
Bryan Chacon – Maxim Healthcare

STAFF

Karen Ingram

The meeting was called to order at 9:59 AM and introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 7, 2017 were accepted as submitted.

REPORTS

Board Meeting

The Board met in July for their annual training. Ms. West & Ms. Ingram reported the following from the June meeting:

- Several members of the Board were re-elected to serve another term; several clients are now serving on the Board, new members were welcomed. Mark Higgins is the new Chair

CMS Final Rule

Ms. Ingram reported the following:

- CMS has officially extended the Final Rule implementation deadline to 2022, but California is still working toward compliance by 2019.
- LRC is continuing with the residential, children's services, and day/work programs small group meetings to discuss person-centered planning and inclusive settings, and to help providers brainstorm how to transition their programs and services.
- QA staff is discussing CMSFR implementation with providers during their QA monitoring visits.
- New programs must already meet the CMSFR standards.

OLD BUSINESS

ABX2-1 Survey

Ms. Ingram reiterated that the ABX2-1 deadline is October 1, 2017 and she shared that letters regarding the survey were sent to providers. On October 2, providers that fail to submit the survey will have their rate(s) lowered to their June 30, 2016 rate(s).

SPAC Membership

Ms. Ingram informed that 4 members have terms that will expire this year. The Nominating Committee meets in September; renewal forms need to be submitted before the Committee meets. SPAC is looking for representation from the L.A. area and from a children's program.

Legislative Advocacy

Ms. Kelly White informed that Villa Esperanza Services is very involved supporting AB 279. This bill is currently sitting in the Senate's Appropriation Committee in the suspense file, they are voting on it on August 21. Providers were encouraged to support this bill as this it needs to come out of the suspense file and move forward. Ms. White will forward a sample letter to the committee members. LRC will send a blast e-mail and encourage providers to contact Senator Lara and Senator De Leon with a request to pull AB279 from suspense and take it to the floor for a vote.

SPAC Breakfast

Ms. Moreno reminded Committee members and guests to contact their vendors and start collecting donations for the goodie bags for the SP Breakfast. Providers were asked to bring the donated items to the October SPAC meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Respite Service Standard

A copy of the revised Respite Service Standard was included in the SPAC packet for committee members to review. Ms. Ingram shared that with the new budget the 16 hour cap on respite was lifted. The revised guidelines have only two changes: 1) clients can receive up to 30 hours of respite and 2) the requirement that 'no more than 90 hours in a three month period and no more than 21 days in a fiscal year' has been removed. The SPAC motion to approve the Respite Service Standard as revised was passed unanimously.

The service standard will next be reviewed by the Program & Services Committee, which will then submit the revised service standard to the Board. The revised service standard

will then be sent to the Department of Developmental Services for approval. All approved service standards are posted on the LRC website, under the Information/Resources tab.

Tom Pomeranz Training

Tom Pomeranz will be presenting on “Enhancing Family-Provider Relationships” at the Goodwill Training Center on August 11. Two staff per agency will be allowed to attend for free, \$20 per person for any additional staff, lunch is included.

Ms. Ingram informed that there are more parents registered to attend than providers. Several providers noted difficulty in registering their staff and Ms. Ingram assured them the problem would be resolved.

UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS

2017 SPAC meeting Locations

- September 6 – FDLRC – Los Angeles
- October 4 – Easter Seals – Glendale
- November 1 – SP Breakfast – La Canada
- December 6 – Smile Wonder – Los Angeles, Inclusion Services to host

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM

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Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting
ATTENDANCE

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K. WEST-ISAAC - Chair	SP	X	N	X	X	N	X	X	N	X			
T. JONES MARTINEZ	B	X	O	X	X	O	X	E	O	E			
S. MORENO	R	X		X	E		X	E		X			
I. IBANEZ	E	X	M	E	X	M	X	X	M	X			
K. CASTANEDA	A	X	E	X	E	E	X	X	E	E			
M. WHITFIELD	K	X	E	X	X	E	X	E	E	X			
N. HAJJAR	F	X	T	X	E	T	X	E	T	X			

D. PRESCOTT	A	X	I	E	X	I	X	X	I	X			
J. STORCK	S	X	N	X	X	N	X	X	N	X			
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