

SELF-DETERMINATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 7, 2022

MINUTES

PRESENT

Pierre Landry, Chair
Lia Cervantez-Lerma, SCDD
Jamie Cha-McGrath
Mariko Magami
Howard McBroom
Zulma Mena
Boanerges Rodriguez, DRC
Michelle Wolf

NOT PRESENT

Karla Garcia-Diaz
Lareka Killebrew

STAFF

Carmine Manicone
Stephanie Ruiz
Melinda Sullivan

GUESTS

Various Guests from the Public

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Landry called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. The meeting was held via Zoom. Introductions were made.

INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Landry welcomed Mr. Boanerges Rodriguez, DRC, to the Committee and group introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of October 7, 2021, December 2, 2021, and February 3, 2022 were approved by consensus.

STATEWIDE MEETING REPORT

Mr. Landry advised the Committee that he attended the State Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SSDAC) meeting on February 15, 2022 and reported that the SSDAC had a “SSDAC 2022 Goal and Priority Setting Exercise”. The goal is for the SSDAC to identify self-determination best practices, effective consumer and family training materials, implementation concerns, systemic issues, ways to enhance the program, and recommendations regarding the most effective method for participants to learn of individuals who are available to provide services and supports.

Mr. Landry reminded this Committee that he sent them an email communication in early February soliciting their input on what they saw as their top priorities for action by the Statewide SDAC, and based on their experience, what would they like to see changed in the Self-Determination Program.

Mr. Landry reported that he received no input from the Committee. Mr. Landry will share the outcome from the SSDAC exercise when he receives it.

PRESENTATION ON SDP DATA ANALYSIS

Mr. Manicone presented the Self-Determination Program (SDP) data analysis on 102 clients that have been tracked through the SDP process as of March 1, 2022. There are 28 clients that are part of the pilot sample and 74 that are newer to the SDP.

Sixty-one (61) clients have been followed all the way through the process and have fully transitioned into the SDP.

Discussion followed on the demographics and milestones.

PRESENTATION ON PARTICIPANT DIRECTED SERVICES²

Ms. Ruiz gave a presentation on Participant Directed Services (PDS) while focusing on the following:

- How can Participant Directed Services help families
- What are Participant Directed Services
- Who can be hired to provide Participant Directed Services
- Steps to take if you want to use Participant Directed Services
- How are Participant Directed Services different from SDP

Discussion followed and the presentation will be emailed to the Committee.

IMPLEMENTATION FUNDS 2021/2022

Ms. Sullivan reviewed with the Committee balances from the allocations to support the implementation of the Self-Determination Program. The Committee discussed ideas around creating Independent Facilitator Scholarships. Ms. Sullivan will draft a proposal for the Committee to review at the June 2, 2022 meeting.

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Ms. Cervantes-Lerma announced that the State Council on Developmental Disabilities will be conducting Statewide Virtual Trainings in English and Spanish for the calendar year 2022.

In addition, she announced that the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) wants to highlight client stories as a part of its efforts to phase out subminimum wage.

Flyers were distributed.

SDAC MEETING DATES FOR 2022

- June 2, 2022
- July – DARK
- August 4, 2022
- September – DARK
- October 6, 2022
- November – DARK
- December 1, 2022

PUBLIC CONVERSATION

The meeting was opened for public conversation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

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