**Alta California Regional Center (ACRC)**

**Self-Determination Advisory Committee Meeting (SDAC)**

**Wednesday, January 8th, 2020**

**10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.**

**Minutes**

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| **Members:** | | **Present** | **Absent** |
| Lisa Cooley, SA | | x |  |
| Joyce McNair, FA | | x |  |
| Benita Ayala, FA | |  |  |
| Brittnee Gillespie, DRC | | x |  |
| Cristal Cabbat, FA | |  | x |
| Daniel Meadows, SA | | x |  |
| Kenya Martinez, FA | | x |  |
| Kimberly Terrell, SA | | x |  |
| Luis Rivera, FA | |  | x |
| Meena Kalyanasundaram, FA | |  | x |
| Niccole Pitz, FA | |  | x |
| Tom Hopkins, SA | |  | x |
| Teresa Schmalz, FA | | x |  |
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| **Others Present:** | | | |
| Lori Banales, ACRC  Brittany Mangum, ACRC  Jen Bloom, ACRC  Jason Lindo, ACRC  Mechelle Johnson, ACRC  Kathy Brian, SCDD  Joseph Hernandez |  | |  |
| **Legend:**  SA – Self-Advocate, FA – Family Advocate, SP – Service Provider | | | |

***1.*** ***Call to Order by Lisa Cooley, Chair***

* Welcome & Introductions (10:00 A.M.)

***2.*** ***Approval of Agenda & Minutes (from January 8, 2020)***

* It was moved/seconded and carried to approve the agenda and minutes. No Abstentions.

***3.*** ***SDP General Information Update— Jason Lindo, ACRC***

* The “switch has been flipped”!! One of our clients has gone through the initial process and is in SDP! They will be moved to the SDP waiver.
* Steps: SANDIS- status will be changed to SDP.
* DDS will review and enable the process- one this is completed, the purchase for FMS will be approved.
* Funding is contingent on DDS completing their piece.
* They have a budget certified, spending plan agreed upon, all background checks for employees, signed IPP including budget and spending plan.
* There are a handful of other clients who are almost ready to “flip the switch”!
* Of the 88 participants selected in 2019, 19 have gone through orientation so far. One has gone through this past Saturday and said they will continue with the SDP process. Another that went through and declined, said they want to continue traditional services.
* There are 18 who have gone through orientation, but we have not heard back.
* Additional Service Coordinators will be trained for SDP and will take over SDP cases.
* All of the SDP Service Coordinators and managers have been through an updated training.
* We will share the dates for upcoming orientations. Mechelle will conduct the last SDP orientation, then the Client Services Manager will be the ones hosting future orientations. More orientations will be added if everyone does not go through the scheduled orientations.
* This will be Jason’s last SDAC meeting as he will be retiring.
* After someone has notified their Service Coordinator, they will reach out as a Planning Team and offer assistance, the budget can be worked on and receive templates for the person and Spending Plan. The process will look different for each participant.
* Jen Bloom shared a slide show on the projector that better explained the process. This slideshow will be emailed to the SDAC committee and attendees following the meeting.

***4. ACRC’s Next Steps (A Work in Progress) – Joyce McNair***

* Discussed above

***5. Provide case studies, examples of different SDP situations that provides participant and Regional Center perspective***

* How our Regional Center will manage having backup services (transportation managed through SDP):
  + This will no longer be a responsibility of the Regional Center as this is now a responsibility of the SDP participant, which will be deciphered through the Planning Team and their budget.
  + Transportation could increase the budget since it’s written into the Individual Program Plan (IPP).

***6. Provide scenarios that involve IHSS, Section 8, CalFresh, and SSI***

* Some of these will play out as planning teams “flip the switch”.
* As far as needs in the home, IHSS should be considered. The service should not be duplicated if it is being covered by a generic service. This will be assessed first, and if more services are needed, it can be established that the resource is exhausted and additional support will be granted.
* This will be talked about during the Person Centered Plan; needs will be identified.

***7. Provide question/ answer time***

* Letter-Funding to Support.
* We have the allocation for SDAC.
* There are categories – recruitment, workshops, food
* It is recommended a period of time that should be allocated and a facility should be identified as well as a budget. The Regional Center is here to support the Plan, but not create the Plan.
* Person Centered Planning training or certified independent facilitator- can the certification be funded? The cost to put someone though the certification can run pretty high. It ranges from $1,000- $10,000.
* SDAC wants someone on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee to be certified to be able to host trainings OUTSIDE the Regional Center. There are 3 that are going through the vendor process, with another interested.

***6. Public Comment Period- Public***

* Some of the orientations and trainings can be held one-on-one with the Service Coordinator’s supervisor, depending on the situation.
* There is an area of the MIND Institute Benita can speak about SDP and the process. This could also be a possible place to hold future orientations.
* Lisa Cooley, SDAC Co-chair, will continue to get the word out about SDP.
* Pamphlets regarding clients transitioning to Adult Services that are given out by ACRC will be updated as changes are made.
* There is a request for SDP to have its own pamphlet once it becomes available for any client to opt into. SDAC will create a draft for these pamphlets. This can be incorporated into the spending plan that is allocated by the committee.
* It is motioned to create a pamphlet from SDAC members; a flyer/ guide about the SDP and its services. The purpose of this flyer is to inform clients’ families and professionals about the ins and outs of program.
* Benita has started a non-profit for parents with special education students. Kenya will provide flyers to the group.
* Independent Facilitator training will be held next Friday in Stockton at the Best Western! This will be conducted in both English and Spanish. Joe will provide Brittany with flyer and she will send it out to the group.
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***7. Identify agenda items for next meeting:***

* Start conversations about the informational flyer.
* Time for developing the spending plan.

***8. Dates for Future Meetings:***

* May 13, 2020
* July 8, 2020
* September 9, 2020
* November 11, 2020 – *Holiday - Need to consider alternative*

***9. Meeting adjourned at 11:25 AM***