

, Alta California Regional Center (ACRC)
Self-Determination Advisory Committee Meeting (SDAC)
Wednesday, May 13, 2020
10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.
Minutes

Members:	Present	Absent
Lisa Cooley, SA		X
Joyce McNair, FA	X	
Benita Ayala, FA	X	
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	
Others Present:		
Lori Banales, ACRC Brittany Mangum, ACRC Mechelle Johnson, ACRC Tracy Brown, ACRC Herman Kothe, ACRC Kathy Brian, SCDD Joseph Hernandez, SP	Bree B., SP Bridget, SP Sonya Bingaman, SCDD Karen Mulvaney, FA	
Legend: SA – Self-Advocate, FA – Family Advocate, SP – Service Provider		

1. Call to Order by Joyce McNair, Vice Chair

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

2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes (from March 11, 2020)

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

3. SDP General Information Update— Mechelle Johnson & Tracy Brown, ACRC

As of now, we have two people who are fully in the program and a third person is waiting until June 1st to “flip the switch”.

- 15 of our SDP clients are working on their Person Centered Plan
- 4 are working on their SDP IPP
- 4 are in the process of selecting their FMS agency
- 4 vendors are going through the FMS process
- 4 agencies in process for of getting vendored for vendor (delete word vendor) Person Centered Planning
- 024 option Progressive Employment Concepts will do - Person Centered Planning
- VCC (vendor criteria committee) meeting occurred last week for a prospective vendor for Person Centered Planning

Yesterday, ACRC utilized the Everbridge system, a mass message system, to alert our clients and their families of upcoming SDP orientations. These meetings will also be available to our clients and their families who speak Spanish and Chinese. ACRC is going to use WebEx to host these orientations online. Instructions on how to sign up for the orientation will be available.

Of our 88 clients to backfill the open SDP slots, 32 have declined (1 moved out of state, the rest have services meeting needs.

On May 11th ACRC conducted a WebEx training for SDP SCs. The Person Centered Thinking training was cancelled by DDS, but will be rescheduled.

4. Updates on Operations and Program Modifications based on Directives- Lori Banales

Not discussed

5. ACRC's Next Steps (A Work in Progress) – Joyce McNair

Two items were added to page two:

- Self-Determination Rollout Summary
 3. ACRC completes transition activities of participants/families, and participants/families enter the Self-Determination Program!
- ACRC SDAC (ongoing)
 3. SDAC identifies issues that may arise for participants/families during the transition period and in the Self-Determination Program, and reaches out to individuals and other agencies that may be able to assist in overcoming any barriers

6. Remote Access for Self-Determination- Joyce McNair

Joyce and her daughter just finished her Person Centered Plan and are focusing on finding an ILS person who is really keen and special to her. Joyce will reach out to community in hopes to find someone who will be a good fit for her daughter. Her Service Coordinator has been wonderful throughout this process.

Daniel will wait to continue his process on June 1st.

Kenya's concerns are that she is unaware of what the future will look like in the coming months for services. Kenya is concerned for her sister's health because her sister is working for Amazon. Pride Industries was the one who helped her get the job, but Kenya does not believe that she is still affiliated with Pride as she has been with Amazon for 2 years.

Kathy has a sister who receives ACRC services. Her SC has been proactive with contacting her and her family for services for needs as they arise. She and her sister have had a great experience so far.

Joseph raised a concern about Live Scan availability. Finger print scanning that has to happen in order to hire a provider, Live Scan, has been placed on hold. According to Live Scan's website, it looks like they are considered essential and are still available for business. Other Regional Centers have had issues when trying to access their website. UPS stores are fitted to do Live Scan, but it may not be processed during this time due to other companies not being open or available for verification.

Teresa received the EverBridge call and her barrier is that the orientation is while her daughter is with her caregiver. Can you register once and view the orientation from multiple locations.

- This is online, so this is possible to log in from 2 different locations.

Benita's son turned 18 and has a new Service Coordinator. She prefers a slow SDP process.

Meena's son was selected for SDP in December. Right now, he has no place to go. She believes SDP would be a good option for her son. Meena is learning the process of SDP and wanting to proceed with the program. She has scheduled to meet with a PCP from the Bay Area. She

was unable to find anyone in the Sacramento Area. Does anyone know of a vendor in the Sacramento Area?

- There is a vendor (024) to conduct Person Centered Planning.
RachaelP@progressiveemployment.org

Kim feels this is taking a lot longer now that COVID-19 happened.

ACRC weighed risks for those who are competitively employed. We have prideful clients who want to keep their identity by keeping their jobs. We respect it and do not want to take away their right to work. We make sure they have all their options and know the health risks. There needs to be a balance of health and safety.

7. Public Comment Period- Public

Lori Banales wants to draw attention to the ACRC website. ACRC posted a survey on May 1st. Only a little over 200 of the 26,000 clients and their families have completed the survey. The survey is wanting to know how we are doing along with other questions. Please share this information. There are only 13 questions. It is on the first page in the slide show on ACRC's website.

Sonya Bingaman reminds everyone that not everything is on hold right now, and we can still move forward with SDP in many areas. There are many parts to SDP which are still working. As a committee, we can promote the idea that things are continuing with SDP. Sonya will be doing a training for Short Center South for about 50 staff of an overview of SDP and the general concepts. On SCDD's website there are many documents on COVID -9 in many languages, as well as videos.

Benita thanks ACRC for their willingness to continue services as much as they can. Joyce also gives kudos to her daughter's SC as well as what

the State Council does. Karen is thankful that we are adjusting and able to continue conducting our meetings.

Karen shared that Ability Tools could be a good option for those who want to participate in these web-based meetings. They may have some tools and equipment to loan out. Sonya will reach out to Lori with Joe Wilson's information.

8. *Identify agenda items for next meeting:*

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

9. *Dates for Future Meetings:*

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

9. *Meeting adjourned at 11:14 AM*