



Self Determination Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024

10:30am to 12:00 PM

San Andreas Regional Center
6203 San Ignacio Ave, Ste
200 San Jose, CA 95119

Members of the Public can also attend by Zoom.

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Committee Agenda

1. 5 minutes	Member Introductions (Others via chat)
2. 5 minutes	Approval of Minutes
3. 30 minutes	Reports: Chairs FMS/IFN SARC Website Committee
4. 50 minutes	Member and Community Comments
6.	Adjourn Next Meeting: Thursday, October 17, 2024, 10:30 AM

Self Determination Advisory Committee Meeting
August 15th, 2024

Members Present:

Kishan Sreedhar
Kavita Sreedhar
Suzanne Francisco
Nassreen Zarea

Connie Boyar
Doug Pascover
David Forderer

Members Absent:

Stephanie Krol Viera
Lori Luzader

Rika Yamamoto

Staff:

Lisa Hartley
Anna Wall
Grecia Quintero
Jeany Pek
Mike Keeley

Brandon Inneh
Ivett Vasquez
Jennifer Huntley
Karla Cruz

Community:

Jaclyn Balanay
David Grady
Richard Hauck

Azul Valdez
Maria Martinez

The Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) commenced at 10:32am presided by Kavita Sreedhar and David Forderer, co-chair committee members, followed by introductions.

Approval of Minutes:

M/S/C Moved to approve the minutes (David F./Kishan S.) No further discussion. The ayes have it. Motion carries.

David F. made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Kishan.

Roll Call Vote:

Kishan Sreedhar	Aye
Kavita Sreedhar	Aye
Suzanne Francisco	Aye
Connie Boyar	Aye
David Forderer	Aye
Nassreen Zarea	Aye

The motion to approve the minutes carries.

Chairs Report:

- Kavita S. stated that the committee is waiting to hear from SARC regarding the call out that was made for the applications for agencies or individuals to apply for the ambassador program.
 - Mike K. stated that he will reach out to Javier Z. (SARC Exec Director) about what the status is on the application call out.
- Kavita S. explained that there was no sub-committee meeting since they had decided that they are going to allocate the funding for the ambassador program for the following year as well and allocating any needed funding for the website.
- Master Plan committee meeting is coming up, and work group meetings have been occurring regarding the master plan.

FMS/IFN Report:

- David G. did attend the IFN meeting and stated that the main topic of discussion was the new directive for a person wanting to transfer into self-determination, rather than using an 099 vendorization, they can also assign someone under the participant directed services arrangement. Widens the window for those who need transition support.
- Connie B. would like to know how the regional center is going to implement this new directive.

SARC Report:

Overview:

Total Active cases: 242

Active Pilot cases: 53

Average Age of Participants: 22.59

Avg Timeline – Orien. to POS: 13 months

Avg Timeline - IPP to POS: 5.4 month

De-activated cases: 1

New cases: 4

Detailed Breakdowns:

Ethnicity Breakdown (Last Report)		<u><i>Difference</i></u>	Ethnicity Breakdown (Current Report)	
White	77	+2	White	79
Spanish/Latin	29	+1	Spanish/Latin	30
Vietnamese	13	---	Vietnamese	13
African American	2	---	African American	2
Indian	10	---	Indian	10
Chinese	21	---	Chinese	21
Korean	12	+1	Korean	13
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Other Asian	12	---	Other Asian	12
Russian	3	---	Russian	3
Asian Indian	17	---	Asian Indian	17
Other or Unknown	33	-1	Other or Unknown	32

Language Breakdown (Last Report)		<u><i>Difference</i></u>	Language Breakdown (Current Report)	
English	193	+2	English	195
Spanish	10	+1	Spanish	11
Vietnamese	8	---	Vietnamese	8
Mandarin	10	---	Mandarin	10
Cantonese	2	---	Cantonese	2
Hindi	3	---	Hindi	3
Farsi	1	---	Farsi	1
Korean	5	---	Korean	5
Russian	3	---	Russian	3
Other	4	---	Other	4

FMS Utilization (Last Report)		<u>Difference</u>	FMS Utilization (Current Report)	
Aveanna	72	+2	Aveanna	74
GT Independence	79	---	GT Independence	79
Mains'l	48	+1	Mains'l	49
Acumen	10	---	Acumen	10
Essential Pay	4	-1	Essential Pay	3
FMS Pay	9	---	FMS Pay	9
Ritz FMS	5	---	Ritz FMS	5
Cambrian FMS	6	---	Cambrian FMS	6
Action FMS	1	---	Action FMS	1
Ace FMS	5	+1	Ace FMS	6

Residential Setting (Last Report)		<u>Difference</u>	Residential Setting (Current Report)	
Family Home	217	+3	Family Home	220
Independent Living	10	---	Independent Living	10
Supported Living	9	---	Supported Living	9
Community Care Facility	1	---	Community Care Facility	1
Other	2	---	Other	2

Living Codes:

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FMS Updates

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Action FMS (PW8622)	All	Not disclosed	Not disclosed

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Misc Program Updates:

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PH2585	Phoenix Facilitation
HB1408	Christine Kantor
ZY2614	Husman Associates Person
HB1432	Neurodiversity PBC
PE2998	Cao, Yajuan
PL2221	Girasol Hive LLC
HS1381	Kuthanur, Gowri
HB1423	Reese, Helen
PP0916	Wu, Jing
PY2940	Sparacino, Lindsey
HS1383	Tang, Ying
HS1384	Voon Yong Lee
HS1395	Brighter Community SVC.
HS1387	Abraham Health Services

- Lisa H. stated that the participant directed services will be done with FMS Aveanna and it is currently in the beginning stages. Will have more information by next meeting.
 - David G. wants to know how a family would be able to request to find someone through participant directed services?
 - Lisa H. answered stating that is like other participant directed services where they identify someone who they would like to be IF and then go through the traditional regional center process, like in SDP.
- Lisa H. and Grecia Q. have created a transitions support flyer that will be posted on the SARC website in the SDP section so that families will have access to it.
- Grecia Q. shared what the SDP transition roadmap is and explained that this information will be given out to families and interested individuals and will also have the roadmap shared with the committee by the next meeting.
- Connie B. wants to know if courtesy vendorizations adds time to the timeline?
 - Grecia Q. answered stating that they do not influence the SDP timeline.
- David F. emphasized that making sure our individuals are aware of SDP is an option for them because there are many individuals who would be able to benefit from it, however, they aren't aware or even know that SDP exists.
- Connie B. suggests doing more outreach to the SCs to have them consistently recommend SDP. Also states SCs are not doing check ins for ILS and SLS, and wants to know that they are doing check ins with the SDP program.

David F. gave a recommendation that this information about SDP be shared with individuals who are outside the family home at least 2 times a year. Kishan seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Kishan Sreedhar Aye
Kavita Sreedhar Aye
Suzanne Francisco Aye
Connie Boyar Aye

David Forderer Aye
Nassreen Zarea Aye
Doug Pascover No

The motion carries.

- Lisa H. restates that the regional center has no issue giving out information for SDP during quarterly check-ins. However, SDP is meant to be an option for individuals to look at and determine if this service is meant for them. If they are not asking for SDP or if they have been offered before and declined, there is no need to actively be suggesting it so often.

Website Committee:

- Small group of people have been interviewed.
- By next week the position will be given to a website manager.

Member and Community Comments:

- Richard H. had asked about the average timeline for the person-centered plan.
 - Grecia Q. stated that the person-centered plan is presented at the IPP. Same timeline average, which is about 5 months, but it will vary on a case-to-case basis.
- Doug P. stated that he's heard of parents who were looking to sign their loved one up for SDP but were told they can't because they don't have a person-centered plan.
 - Mike K. clarified that is not correct, a PCP is not required but an IPP is.
- Kavita S. stated that people have spending plans developed but there have been issues with being left in the dark about the whole process and are not being given the information they need. Kishan S. also added that on some spending plans there is no staff just agencies on the line item as a co-employer.
- Azul V. gave an announcement that they have IF training for English and Spanish speakers and you can reach out to them for more information.

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