

SAN ANDREAS REGIONAL CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING NOTICE AGENDA

DATE: Monday, August 18, 2025, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Watsonville Office - 1110 Main Street Watsonville, CA. 95076
[Click for Zoom Link](#)



6:00 - 6:02 p.m. I. Call to Order and Introductions Lisa Lopez



6:02 - 6:05 p.m. II. Vision Statement Christine Gianola



6:05 - 6:09 p.m. III. Approval of Minutes

1. Board Meeting Minutes - 6/16/25
2. Fiscal Committee Meeting - 6/12/25
3. SPAC Minutes - 7/10/25, 8/14/25
4. Program Policy Committee -
5. Board Development Meeting - 8/5/25
6. Executive Committee Meeting - 8/5/25
7. Quality Assurance - 8/12/25



6:09 - 6:20 p.m. IV. State Council on Developmental Disabilities - Central Coast...JLucas

Note: Time is allowed for public input on all agenda items prior to board action on that item. Time is also allowed for public input on any issue not included on the agenda. [W&I Code 4660 (c)]. People wishing to give input need to fill-out the pink sheet and give it to the administrative assistant then they are invited to speak during "Public Comment", During a virtual meeting send a direct message via chat to the Administrative Assistant stating name, and topic of discussion. The Board appreciates and accepts all input without discussion.



6:20 - 6:30 V. Presidents Report Lisa Lopez
1. Adopt Performance Contract



6:30 - 6:55 VI. Executive Director's Report Javier Zaldivar
1. Diversity Outreach Update
2. Employment Programs Update
3. Health and Safety Awareness



6:55 - 7:15 VII. Director of Consumer Services Report Mike Keeley
1. New and Closing Programs
2. Self-Determination Update
3. Social Recreation Update



7:15 - 7:40 VIII. Committee Reports
1. Fiscal Gus Maldonado
2. Program Policy Lisa Lopez
3. Board Development Maya Bareket
4. Service Provider Advisory Erika Gonzalez
Action: Recommendation to approve the election of Erika Gonzalez, and Desiree Luong to their third two-year term, on SPAC.
5. Quality Assurance Advisory Veronica Contreras
6. People's Advisory Committee Maya Bareket



7:40 - 7:45 IX. Public Comment



7:45 - 7:50 X. Board Comment



7:50 — 8:00 XI. Announcements

**Service Above Self Awards Nomination Process Opened*



8:00 XII. Adjournment

**SAN ANDREAS REGIONAL CENTER
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom
June 16, 2025**

Presiding:	Lisa Lopez Board President	
Board Members Present:	Maya Bareket Christine Gianola Alicia Mesa	Veronica Contreras Pamela Kerman Uma Venkatesh
Board Members Absent:	Cole Baumeister Elisabeth Einaudi Gus Maldonado Nicolas Santos	Paloma Barraza Erika Gonzalez Rajesh Patel
Staff Present	Gabriela Alvarez Rosalina Cone Christiana Gardner Lourdes Gonzalez John Hunt Janet Juarez Monica Cosio-Martinez Phien Phan Francisco Valenzuela Azelin Ellis Gina Billeci Jim Elliott Lita Tran Javier Zaldivar	Andria Rodriguez Lauria Furuya Mia Garza Lisa Hartley Diana Gutierrez Mike Keeley Arushie Nugapitiya Irene De La Rosa Emily Short Desiree Winkler Hazel Jordan Khanh Nye Rocio King
Community Present:	Jaclyn Balanay (DDS) Janica Hadley	Jennifer Lucas (SCDD) Glendora Pitre

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Lisa Lopez Board President called to order the regularly scheduled business meeting of San Andreas Regional Center at 5:04 p.m. Ms. Lopez also called attention to the note on the agenda stating that time is allowed for public input on any issue not included on the agenda (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4660 (c)). Self-introductions were made, and Ms. Pamela Kerman read the mission statement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S/C Moved to approve the meeting minutes. (Venkatesh/Kerman) No further discussions. All in favor, Motion carries.

1. Board Meeting Minutes – 5/19/25
2. Fiscal Committee Meeting Minutes – 5/19/25
3. Program Policy Committee Meeting Minutes – 6/3/25
4. Board Development Committee Meeting Minutes – 6/3/25
5. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – 6/3/25
6. Quality Assurance Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 6/10/25
7. Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – 6/12/25

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES CENTRAL COAST

Ms. Jennifer Lucas Regional Manager discussed these issues:

- Medicaid cuts can lead to a loss of \$30 Million and the ripple effect will be felt:
 - HCBS will be first to go
 - Staff shortages will be felt across the board
 - While the GOP is negotiating families can support the system by sharing their personal stories. Share your story link [Medicaid Funding Might Be Cut – Share Your Story! Podrían recortar los fondos de Medicaid: ¡Comparte tu historia!](#)
 - SCDD’s job is to inform, educate, and raise the voice of individuals served.
- Current Trainings:
 - Transition Education
 - Law enforcement
 - Host tables at special events

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Ms. Lisa Lopez shared “What’s Exciting about June”:

- Take your cat/dog to work day.
- Father’s Day
- Graduations & Promotions
- Juneteenth celebration on 6/19/25
- Pride month
- National Safet
- National Safety Month on Rare Chromosome Disorders

EXECUTIVE DIRECTO’S REPORT:

Mr. Javier Zaldivar presented the report and discussed these issues.

- Influx with budget cuts
- Emergency Medical cuts would save \$9 Billion

- DDS has a sent a message on protecting an individual’s private information
 - SARC follows the law and protects information.
<https://outlook.office.com/mail/AAMkADQ3NjA5MDM0LWMxOGItNDZmZi1hYjk1LTE0ZDVjOTIhZTBmOQAuAAAAAAC%2BoKqzm2qyQYeCiEGv9iGhAQD0ucYfbTx7QZfMzVaXR9wKAAADdf8QAAA%3D/id/AAkALgAAAAAAHYQDEapmEc2byACqAC%2FEWg0A9LnGH208e0GXzM1WI0fcCgADuqEIPAAA/sxs/AAkALgAAAAAAHYQDEapmEc2byACqAC%2FEWg0A9LnGH208e0GXzM1WI0fcCgADuqEIPAAAARIAEACfoUuO0qqERacNKZxTNa%2Fb>

Diversity Outreach Update

Ms. Christiana Gardner Diversity and Inclusion manager gave the report. SARC continues to host a variety of culturally focused events. Upcoming:

- 6/19/25 Juneteenth

Upcoming Conferences:

- 6/21/25 African American Conference
- 9/6/25 Spanish Conference in San Jose
- 10/11/25 Filipino Conference

SARC continues to support the monthly, language-specific parent support groups as they continue to grow:

- African American
- Filipino
- Hollister in Spanish
- Salinas in Spanish
- San Jose in Spanish
- San Jose Tribal in English
- Vietnamese

To improve Language Access and respect Cultural Values SARC will work on these tasks:

- Translate all key materials into Spanish, Vietnamese, Tagalog, and others
- Create culturally respectful outreach materials with trusted community groups
- Train staff on cultural values, empathy, and effective communication

Employment Update

Ms. Rosalina Cone Employment Specialist discussed these topics:

- End of fiscal year is approaching soon, working on paid internships POSs that expire on 6/30/25
 - 130 POSs will be rolled over
 - 15 will be for Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE)
- FCSN (Friends of Children with Special Needs) will participate as a Coordinated Career Pathways (CCP):

National Core Indicator (NCI) Report

Mr. Jim Elliot Compliance and Special Projects Manager presented the “NCI In-Person Surveys” FY 2022-2023 he discussed these topics:

- The National Core Indicators are a series of measures that are tracked to report on the state of IDD services across the country,
- Demographics
 - Mean Age
 - Sex assigned at birth
 - Marital Status
 - Is he or she a Parent?
- Race/Ethnicity
- Language
- Eligible Conditions
- Residence
- Key takeaways on Health
- Key takeaways on Community
- Key takeaways at Home
- Key takeaways on the Regional Center
- Key takeaways on Services and Supports
- For detailed information visit our website – [NCI-Family-Survey-FY-22-23-Key-Takeaways20-Read-Only.pdf](#); [2022-23 In-Person Survey California Statewide Report](#)

Performance Contract Presentation

Mr. Jim Elliot Compliance and Special Projects Manager presented the “2025-2026 PERFORMANCE CONTRACT: PROPOSED OUTCOMES, MEASURES AND ACTIVITIES” he discussed these topics:

- Living Arrangements for adults & children
- Employment
- Service expenditures by primary language, ethnicity, and age
- Compliance Measures
- For detailed information visit our website - [Performance | SARC](#)

Health and Safety Awareness Strategy

- Available for individuals that demonstrate a need for it, specially Spanish Speaking
- It ensures that providers have staff willing to collaborate with them and keep the individual safe
- Explore possibilities through the IPP needs.
- Can request rate increases to meet the needs of the individual

DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER SERVICES REPORT: Mike Keeley

Self-Determination (SD) Update:

Mr. Keeley presented the SDP Report, which is an alternative way to secure services and gives more flexibility to families:

- There are close to 300 participants in the program that's about 1% of Sarc's total individuals served.
- Trends are the same
 - Most are Caucasian, then Latino
 - Most speak English
- Flyers have been issued to promote the program
- The committee is looking for new members if interested fill out the application - <https://www.sanandreasregional.org/app/uploads/2025/06/self-determination-application2.pdf>

NEW AND CLOSING PROGRAMS

Ms. Mia Garza Community Resource Associate Director gave the report:

7 New

- Two In home respite
- Two speech therapy
- Two supported employment Group/Individual
- Residential Care

17 Closed – SARC continues to clean its database of vendors that have not provided services within the last 24 months.

- Independent Living Services

Social Recreation

- SARC Continues to support individuals to live meaningful lives in the community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FISCAL

Ms. Alicia Mesa committee member gave the Monthly Fiscal report.

1. Purchase of Services (Non-CPP only)

The Purchase of Service expense for the month of April was \$67.1M and the year to date was \$667.4M. The current allocation is \$858.5M.

2. Individuals Served

The number of individuals served as of April was 16,037. This is a decrease of 124 since April 2024.

3. Operations (OPS)

Expenses for the month of May were \$7.9M and the year to date was \$63.3M. The Fiscal Year Projection is \$70.4M and the estimated allocation is \$70.6M. This leaves us with a surplus of approximately \$167K.

4. Cash Position

The cash position through the end of May was \$121.4M. This is a decrease of \$27.2M since April.

5. Donation Fund

The balance in the Donation Fund through the end of May was 379,992. This is an increase of \$637. This change was due to miscellaneous contributions and/or disbursement requests received during the month.

Sixteen contracts were recommended for approval.

- 1. M/S/C Moved to approve the Leftridge transportation Inc. contract; for FY 2025-2026, 2026-2027, 2027-2028 totaling \$5,398,173.36 (Kerman/Lopez) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
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- 4. M/S/C Moved to approve the Better Horizon Development Corporation transportation contract; for FY 2025-2026, totaling \$788,256.00 (Bareket/Kerman) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
- 5. M/S/C Moved to approve the Greater Opportunities for the Developmentally Disabled transportation contract; for FY 2025-2026, 2026-2027, 2027-2028, totaling \$1,512,789.12 (Kerman/Contreras) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
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- 7. M/S/C Moved to approve the Learning Center for Independence transportation contract; for FY 2025-2026, totaling \$297,721.20 (Venkatesh/Kerman) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**

8. **M/S/C Moved to approve the MMS Behavioral Day Program, Inc. transportation contract; for FY 2025-2026, totaling \$640,458.00 (Contreras/Kerman) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
9. **M/S/C Moved to approve the Multiple Intelligence Training Center transportation contract; for FY 2025-2026, totaling \$1,209,901.20 (Bareket/Contreras) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
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PROGRAM POLICY COMMITTEE

The Board adopted the DDS approved *Conflict Mitigation Policy for Delegated Conservatorships*.

M/S/C Moved to adopt the Conflict Mitigation Policy for Delegated Conservatorships. (Lopez/Contreras) No further discussion. All in favor, Motion carries

BOARD DEVELOPMENT

- The minutes are in the packet.

QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE

- The minutes are in the packet.

SERVICE PROVIDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SPAC)

- The minutes are in the packet.

PEOPLE'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

- Ms. Bareket reminded the audience to attend the summer festivals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BOARD COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Valenzuela shared that SARC will have more of a presence in Hollister

SARC Conferences:

- *6/21/25 African American Conference*
- *9/20/25 Spanish Speaking Conference*
- *10/11/25 Filipino Conference*

- 6/28/25 Superhero Summer Festival in Salinas
- 6/28/25 Special Olympics
- 7/12/25 Superhero Summer Festival in Hollister
- 7/12/25 Day on the Beach Shared Adventures
- 7/19/25 Superhero Summer Festival in Santa Cruz
- 7/26/25 Superhero Festival & 5K/10K Walk-Run-Roll in San Jose
- 8/17/25 Earthquakes event
- 10/25/25 Annual Service Above Self Awards Dinner
- 11/13/25 Service Provider Vendor Fair
- 11/15/25 Annual Holiday Craft Fair

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Recording Secretary, Ms. Lourdes Gonzalez

Submitted by,

Ms. Pamela Kerman

**San Andreas Regional Center Board of Directors
Fiscal Committee - Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom
June 12, 2025**

Committee Members Present: Gus Maldonado (chair) Alicia Mesa
Rajesh Patel

Committee Member Absent: Elisabeth Einaudi Uma Venkatesh

Staff Present: Gabriela Alvares Mia Garza
Lourdes Gonzalez John Hunt
Phien Phan Emily Short
Javier Zaldivar

Community Present: Mayra Montejano (R&D) Cirenia Huerta (R&D)

Meeting called to order at 4:05 pm. by Mr. Gus Maldonado Committee Chair.

1. Fiscal Packet Review

John Hunt, Chief Financial Officer reported on the Monthly Fiscal Summary.

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2. Contract Review

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3. Other

None

4. Next Meeting Date

August 18, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

5. Adjournment

With no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Recorded by Lourdes Gonzalez

**San Andreas Regional Center Board of Directors
SERVICE PROVIDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SPAC)
Meeting Minutes (via zoom)
July 10, 2025**

Members Present	Tade Akintade Desiree Luong	Erika Gonzalez (chair) Sylvia Yeh
Members absent	Wesley Moss	
Staff Present	Rosalina Cone Mike Keeley Francisco Valenzuela Javier Zaldivar Maria Moreto Grecia Magana Irene De La Rosa Lisa Hartley Lauria Furuya Elsa LeDon Gina Billeci Lior Aronoff Itzayana Hernandez	John Hunt Anna Wall Kai Reade Malyssa Barnas Cal Smith Ann Sieber Emily Short Desiree Winkler Maria Aleman Maggie Pendl Gina Jennings Gabriela Alvarez
Community Present	Heidi Morgan Gail Wright Lynda Miguel Frederic Rodgers Sara Macy Camilla Shaffer Cathy Buchard Mitachew Abebe Alia Hochgesang Jane Ungab Lori Menzies Destinee Reyes Wayne Jasper Yen Nguyen Tony Green Patty Lopez Jeffrey Honore Vickey Perkins Tracey Marquart Sarah Culbertson Sarah Verity	Jenica Hadley Belen Macias Jennifer Johnson Agustina Gutierrez Kevin Burman Sara Grignon Tricia Lara Melanie Gavina Belen Macia Daya Sanchez Christine Shene Ajati Sankoh Zita Faria Diana Ungab Sonja McCall Mike Relayo Rosa Amador Kristin Koenig Mark Sung Kerry Kaefer Jennifer Lucas

Ms. Erika Gonzalez Committee Chair led the meeting via zoom starting at 2:32 p.m.

Committee Updates

None

Provider Input

None

Best Practices for Self-Advocacy and Inclusion

None

Director Update

Mr. Zaldivar Executive Director discussed these issues:

- Business continues as usual:
 - SARC will continue to support individuals and staff.
 - A decrease in Purchase of services has been noted
 - DDS via directive has authorized remote support of individuals that request it, SARC staff is aware of it.
 - SARC must remain politically neutral and can only redirect individuals to other legal resources.
- On the budget the Held Harmless act pushed back
- Providers not participating in the directory have been blocked
- The 2025-26 fiscal year has begun and SARC is working on a smooth transition.
 - Contact dedicated emails or service coordinators for any questions.

Community Resources Update

Ms. Ann Sieber Resource Manager gave the report. She informed that on her retirement her department will be split in half and two new managers will replace her. Maggie and Elsa, She thanked the community for their service.

Rate Implementation:

- Has taken place and has been implemented
- Those that didn't complete the process have been locked out of e-billing, but redemption is possible if you sign up for the provider directory.
- If there is no compliance you will be de-vendored and not able to work with SARC
- Those with "Hold Harmless" will be brought into alignment by February 2026

Quality Incentive Programs:

- Early intervention incentive payments still being paid
- First wave of Service Provider Directory completed on time will get a little incentive bonus

New and Closing Programs: Ms. Ann Sieber gave the report.

0 Closed

- 17 inactive: SARC continues to clean its database of vendors that have not provided services within the last 24 months.

6 New

- Social Recreation
- Tow Residential Care Homes
- Personal Assistance
- Tow Supporting Living Providers

Gallagher

- Those on the blacklist will be contacted to get you in compliance reach out if you need assistance.

Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Update

- Everyone should have signed up if you are part of the required categories; attend the webinars and office hours. They will find you if not in compliance.

Vendor Training Opportunities

- **Free** trainings are offered either monthly or quarterly. You can attend any training for the first time or as a refresher course:
- Training opportunities include:
 - Service Delivery Opportunities such as “Sexuality Training”
 - Program Design workshops
 - Coordinated Family Support New Vendor Orientation (CFSNV)
 - Day Program Vendor Orientation (DPVO)
 - Residential Services Orientation (RSO)
 - Supported Living Services New Vendor Orientation
 - Independent Living Skills New Vendor Orientation (ILSNV)
 - Dementia and Health related trainings
- Visit the webpage for training information: [New Vendors Training | SARC](#)

Health and Safety Waiver Awareness Strategy

- SARC continues to work on identifying individuals with unique needs that need referrals to access the program
- Reach-out if you need help

HCBS (Home & Community Based Services)

- Michelle will begin office hours to discuss several topics and address questions; take advantage of them.

Employment

Ms. Rosalina Cone Employment Specialist gave the report:

- Submitted POSs that expired on 6/30/25, doing the rollover POSs that begun on July 1st.
 - Around 200 individuals were in the Paid Internships (PI)
 - Still processing anticipated July units from all those that responded
- New Directive issued on the Competitive Employment (CE) Incentive payments; the original amounts from 2016 to 2021 will be restored beginning July 1, 2025.
 - Current amounts will go to those restored:
 - \$2000 - \$1000
 - \$2500 - \$1250
 - \$3000 - \$1500

Emergency Preparedness

None

Announcements:

Mr. Valenzuela shared the upcoming events that SARC is organizing and supporting:

SARC Conferences:

- 9/20/25 Spanish Speaking Conference
- 10/11/25 Filipino Conference

- 7/12/25 Superhero Summer Festival in Hollister
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SCDD Central Coast

Ms. Jennifer Lucas gave the report:

- SCDD Central Coast Office hiring for an Associate Governmental Program Analyst (AGPA)
- Shared issue of [Impact](#) on Loneliness and the importance of connection
- Want to do anonymous survey on what you do to support advocacy and support for individuals.

Next SPAC Committee Meeting:

August 14, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. Via Zoom

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

**San Andreas Regional Center
Board of Directors
BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 5, 2025**

Committee Members Present: Maya Bareket (Chair) Pamela Kerman
Nicolas Santos

Committee Members Absent: Cole Baurmeister Christine Gianola

Staff Present: Lourdes González John Hunt
Mike Keeley Javier Zaldivar

The Board Development Committee Meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m., by Ms. Maya Bareket, committee chair via zoom.

1. Confirm Board Education

There will be a Board Education on August 18, 2025, at the Board meeting in person at the Watsonville office. The training will be on the *Whistle Blower Policy* and *Conflict of Interest (COI)*. Mr. Javier Zaldivar Executive Director will do the training.

2. Applicants Update

The committee continues outreach for potential Board members.

3. Vacancies

Three Vacancies

- 1 San Benito County
- 1 At-Large
- 1 Monterey County

4. Member Terms

- Ms. Veronica Contreras will term out in August 2025.
- Ms. Erika Gonzalez will be re-elected to her third term

5. Next Committee Meeting Date/Time

Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

6. Adjournment:

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

**San Andreas Regional Center Board of Directors
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
Via Zoom
August 5, 2025**

Committee Members Present: Maya Bareket
Erika Gonzalez
Pamela Kerman
Nicolas Santos
Veronica Contreras
Lisa Lopez (Chair)
Gus Maldonado

Committee Members Absent: Christine Gianola

Staff Present: Lourdes González
John Hunt
Monica Martinez
Javier Zaldivar
Lisa Hartley
Mike Keeley
Arushie Nugapitiya

Ms. Lisa Lopez, committee chair, called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. via Zoom.

1. Risk Assessment Report

Ms. Monica Cosio-Martinez Associate Director presented the SIR report for the months of July and August.

Total Incidents 1087 (July)

186 Incidents reportable to DDS.

901 Incidents not reportable to DDS.

8 Deaths

2 Consumers reported missing with 0 not yet located

23 Suspected Abuse/Exploitation

14 Injuries Requiring Treatment Beyond First Aid

53 Medical Need/Accident/Other

2 Victim of Crime

16 Suspected Neglect

69 Unplanned hospitalizations

Total Incidents 987 (August)

132 Incidents reportable to DDS.

852 Incidents not reportable to DDS.

9 Deaths

2 Consumers reported missing with 0 not yet located

21 Suspected Abuse/Exploitation

14 Injuries Requiring Treatment Beyond First Aid

28 Medical Need/Accident/Other

2 Victim of Crime

5 Suspected Neglect

51 Unplanned hospitalizations

2. Development of the August 18, 2025, Board Meeting in the Watsonville office

There will be a Board Education on August 18, 2025, at the Board meeting in person at the Watsonville office. The training will be on the *Whistle Blower Policy* and *Conflict of Interest (COI)*. Mr. Javier Zaldivar Executive Director will do the training.

a. President's Report: Lisa Lopez

1. Adopt the Performance Contract

b. Executive Director's Report: Javier Zaldivar

1. Diversity Outreach Update
2. Employment Programs Update
3. Health and Safety Awareness Strategy

c. Directors of Consumer Services: Mike Keeley

1. New and Closing Programs
2. Self-Determination Update
3. Social Recreation

d. Committee Reports:

Fiscal – There will be a report.

Program Policy – There will be a report.

Board Development - There will be a report.

Quality Assurance Advisory – There will be a report.

Service Provider Advisory – There will be a report.

People's Advisory Committee – There will be a report.

3. Director's Update

Mr. Javier Zaldivar Executive Director updated the committee on the following topics:

Budget Update:

- No expected changes to the Budget as a result of Federal Funding
- The provisional department has expanded substantially, SARC has released several service coordinators, and manager positions to help with the caseload
- Trailer Bill language doesn't have a significant impact:
 - Parental fee program has been eliminated
 - Rate Reform - service provider hold harmless now ends 2/28/26 instead of 6/30/26.

- Southern California will be increasing their minimum wage for concession and hotel workers, while our industry wages remain in most cities at the state minimum wage.
- Give Feedback to DDS:
 - Standardized Respite Tool - <https://www.dds.ca.gov/initiatives/standardizing-regional-center-procedures/standardized-respite-tool-public-feedback/>
 - Individual Program Plan (IPP) - [Individual Program Planning : CA Department of Developmental Services](#)
 - Early Start
- Public Records Act (PRA) will begin 1/1/2026, SARC has engaged BBK to train the staff and Board members. A link has been sent to attend one of these dates:
 - Thursday, Sep 4, 2025, 2:00 – 4:00 PM
 - Thursday, Sep 18, 2025, 2:00 – 4:00 PM
- Significant Cases update:
 - Individual served picked up by ICE, SARC has been unable to communicate with him; Two moms in Southern California picked up as well and not able to communicate with them either; The Department has not issued a directive on the issue.
 - Individual that was harassed at a home has been moved to another place; the home is under investigation and might receive a CAP (Correction Action Plan)

4731 Complaints and Whistleblowers submitted.

4731 is a client's rights violation, SARC must investigate and respond to the complaint within 21 days, The department gets notified as well.

Whistle Blower Complaint allows the individual to report concerns of inappropriate behavior without fear of retaliation. The department does not need to be notified.

Find the policy at:

<https://www.sanandreasregional.org/transparency/policies/whistleblower/>

- There were two 4731 complaints reported:
 1. Not really a rights violation but service issues, they have been resolved.
- Three whistleblowers were reported:
 - An ex-employee reported concerns in the crisis home he worked at, situation is under investigation.
 - A program is under investigation due to the use of their behavior techniques.

- DDS is involved in investigating an agency to make sure people are safe it will be a big project

4. Announcements/Events

- Thank you to all that supported the summer festivals.
- Service Above Self Awards Dinner nominations are open

- *SARC Conferences:*
 - *10/11/25 Filipino Conference*
 - *11/8/25 Deaf & Hard of Hearing Plus (DHH+) Conference*
 - *2026 San Jose Spanish Speaking Conference*

- 10/25/25 Annual Service Above Self Awards Dinner
- 11/13/25 Service Provider Vendor Fair
- 11/15/25 Annual Holiday Craft Fair

5. Other

- Board will discuss adding a revision to the Bylaws on members that do not participate. They will get a one-time probatory period before they are removed from the Board.

6. Next committee/meeting date

Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

7. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

**San Andreas Regional Center
Quality Assurance Advisory Committee via Zoom
August 12, 2025**

Committee Members Present:	Maya Bareket Lisa Lopez Rajesh Patel	Veronica Contreras (Chair) Alicia Mesa Uma Venkatesh
Committee Members Absent:		
Staff Present	Gina Billeci Lourdes Gonzalez Hazel Jordan Elsa LeDon Mike Keeley Irene de la Rosa	Mia Garza Liza Hartley Rae'chel Jensen Julie Lussier Maggie Pendl Cal Smith

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Veronica Contreras Committee Chair at 4:04 p.m. via zoom.

LEGEND: **APS** = Adult Protective Services; **ARF**= Adult Residential Facility; **ARFPSHN** = Adult Residential Facility for Persons with Special Health Care Needs; **BCBA** = Board Certified Behavioral Analyst; **BX** = Behavior; **CAP** = Corrective Action Plan; **CCH**= Community Crisis Home; **CCL** = Community Care Licensing; **CM** = Case Management; **CPS** = Child Protective Services; **CRA** = Client's Right Advocate; **DFCS** = Department of Family Court Services; **DHOH**= Deaf and Hard Of Hearing; **DOHS** = Department of Health Care Services; **DM** = District Manager; **EC**= Emergency Coordinator; **FHA** = Family Home Agency; **ICF** = Intermediate Care Facility; **IDT** = Interdisciplinary Team; **ILS** = Independent Living Service; **LTCO** = Long Term Care Ombudsman; **M&M** = Mortality & Morbidity Meeting ; **PD** = Police Department; **RCH** = Residential Care Home; **SC** = Service Coordinator; **SP** = Service Provider; **SLS** =Supportive Living Service

I. Special Incident Reports (July)

- 1087 Total number of incidents.
- 8 Total number of deaths.
- 186 Incidents reportable to DDS.
- 901 Incidents not reportable to DDS.
- 120 Unplanned hospitalizations with 13 consumers remaining hospitalized.
- 37 Planned hospitalizations.
- 2 Consumers reported missing with 0 not yet located.

Breakdown of Incident Reports by Residence type:

RCH - 496 ICF - 29 SNF/NF - 10 ILS – 77 SLS - 145 Family Home - 298
Foster Home - 1 Family Home Agency - 15 Psych Treat/ Other - 16

I. Special Incident Reports: August

- 984 Total number of incidents processed.
- 9 Total number of deaths.
- 132 Incidents reportable to DDS.
- 852 Incidents not reportable to DDS.
- 111 Unplanned hospitalizations with 15 consumers remaining hospitalized.
- 44 Planned hospitalizations.
- 2 Consumers reported missing with 0 not yet located.

Breakdown of Incident Reports by Residence type:

RCH - 408 ICF - 28 SNF/NF - 4 ILS - 71 SLS - 102
Family Home - 351 Foster Home - 1 Family Home Agency - 6 Psych Treat/ Other - 13

Highlights: Cal Smith went over the specific details of the incidents that are true, false, unsubstantiated, and under investigation. A growing trend on financial abuse has been observed. The committee asked how they can be of service in regard to the incidents; Mr. Keeley shared that they are there to ask the questions that SARC might miss and to give feedback. The committee also asked for more information on the resolution of incidents reported.

II. Quality Assurance (QA) July

A. QA Facility Monitoring - Residential Care Homes, Level 2 - Levels 4, 5, and 6.

- 21 Out of 22 scheduled FMs completed.
- 8 Facilities received recommendations. 7 received a follow-up visit.
- 1 Facilities received a corrective action plan.

B. QA Unannounced Visits based on complaint(s).

- 0 Out of 0 completed on facilities.
- 0 Facilities received recommendations.
- 0 Facilities received a corrective action plan.

C. Adult Residential Facility for Persons with Special Health Care Needs (ARFPSHN) Visits:

- 13 Out of 13 FM visits were completed for the ARFPSHN in February 2025.

D. Enhanced Behavior Support Homes (EBSH) Quarterly Monitoring Visits. There are eight EBSH'S total. (Three children's and five adult homes). Two new homes are coming soon.

4 Monitoring visits were completed in June 2025: 6/5/25, 6/12/25, 6/19/25, and 6/19/25.

0 Unannounced visits completed by the Quality Assurance Specialist.

Community Crisis Home (CCH) Quarterly Monitoring Visit. There is only one CCH.

0 CCH monitoring visit scheduled for June 2025.

1 Unannounced visit completed by the Quality Assurance Specialist on 06/24/25.

E. Trainings:

Facility Monitoring Training for Residential Service Providers on 06/05/25, 16 attendees. Residential Services Orientation (RSO). No training scheduled for June.

Facility Monitoring Training for Service Coordinators. No training scheduled for June.

SARC New Hire Training. 06/12/25, 6 attendees

Evaluation Training for Day Program Directors on 06/27/25, 52 attendees

F. Standing QA Meetings:

Mortality and Morbidity: On 06/10/25, 4 deaths reviewed, 10 attendees.

Let's Talk QA: Salinas office and San Jose office cancelled until further notice.

Quality Assurance around the Bay (**QAAB**) Quarterly meeting. No meeting in June.

I. Quality Assurance (QA): August

A. QA Facility Monitoring - Residential Care Homes, Level 2 - Level 6.

24 Out of 26 scheduled FMs completed.

5 Facilities received recommendations. 2 received a follow-up visit.

3 Facilities received a corrective action plan.

B. QA Unannounced Visits based on complaint(s).

0 Out of 0 completed on facilities.

0 Facilities received recommendations.

0 Facilities received a corrective action plan.

C. Adult Residential Facility for Persons with Special Health Care Needs (ARFPSHN) Visits:

13 Out of 13 FM visits were completed for the ARFPSHN in February 2025.

D. Enhanced Behavior Support Homes (EBSH) Quarterly Monitoring Visits. There are eight EBSH'S total. (Three children's and five adult homes).

Two new homes are coming soon.

0 Monitoring visits were completed in July 2025.

0 Unannounced visits completed by the Quality Assurance Specialist.

Community Crisis Home (CCH) Quarterly Monitoring Visit. There is only one CCH.

1 CCH monitoring visit on July 25, 2025.

1 Unannounced visit completed by the Quality Assurance Specialist on 07/03/25.

E. Trainings:

Facility Monitoring Training for Residential Service Providers. No training scheduled for July 2025.

Residential Services Orientation (RSO). No training scheduled for July 2025.

Facility Monitoring Training for Service Coordinators. No training scheduled for July 2025.

SARC New Hire Training. No training scheduled for July 2025.

QA Evaluation Training for Day Program Directors. No training scheduled for July 2025.

Behavior Skill Training for Residential Service Providers on 07/25/2025, 27 attendees.

F. Standing QA Meetings:

Mortality and Morbidity: On 07/08/25, 8 deaths reviewed, 9 attendees.

Let's Talk QA: Salinas office and San Jose office cancelled until further notice.

Quality Assurance around the Bay (**QAAB**) Quarterly meeting on 07/18/25, 17 attendees

Mortality and Morbidity: 9 deaths reviewed on 08/12/25.

0 Infants 1 Children 5 Adults 3 Elderly.

G. Highlights:

Ms. Jordan updated the committee on the specific details of the deaths, such as gender, age, living arrangement, and cause of death.

Day Program Quality Evaluations will start in August of 2025, Ms. Jordan requested volunteers to do the evaluations; Mr. Patel and Ms. Venkatesh signed up to help after they receive training.

III. Health Services: July

A. Health-Related Trainings Presented by San Andreas Health Services Unit:

Class (Max attendance - 25)	Date Completed	Total Attendees	Test 1 Pass/Fail	Test 2 Pass/Fail
Assisting with Medications	June 24	10	10/0	---
Epilepsy – at Terra Bella	June 10	11	11/0	---
Emergency Planning				
Falls Prevention				
Dysphagia	June 26	4	4/0	---
Dementia in I/DD Population				
Oral Health				
Pressure Injury Prevention & Recognition				
Recognizing Signs of Abuse				
Restricted Health Conditions	June 27	10	10/0	---
RN Training				
Signs/Symptoms of Illness/Injury				
Special Incident Report	June 19	21	18/3	0/3
Thinking Ahead				
Totals	5	56	53/0	0/3

B. Current projects/activities:

- Provided a special training for an ICF that received a CAP with Spanish translation.
- In July HSU plans to do training in person in outer offices if at least 10 people sign up.

C. Highlights: There

- No cases of covid outbreak reported in care homes.
- Covid cases reported for a few children and their families

III. Health Services: August

A. Health-Related Trainings Presented by San Andreas Health Services Unit:

Class (Max attendance - 25)	Date Completed	Total Attendees	Test 1 Pass/Fail	Test 2 Pass/Fail
Assisting with Medications	July 17	17	15/2	2/0
Assisting with Medications–Watsonville	July 7	22	22/0	---
Cerebral Palsy				
Dementia in I/DD Population				
Diabetes				
Dysphagia				
Emergency Planning				
Epilepsy				

Falls Prevention	July 8	7	7/0	---
Fatal 5	July 23	21	18/3	1/2
Hospital Cycle				
Oral Health	July 16			
Pressure Injury Prevention & Recognition	July 9	12	11/1	1/0
Recognizing Signs of Abuse	July 2	8	8/0	---
Restricted Health Conditions				
RN Consultant Training				
Signs/Symptoms of Illness/Injury	July 25			
Special Incident Report	July 18	21	13/8	3/5
Thinking Ahead				
Totals	9			

B. Current projects/activities:

- Watsonville training on Assistance with Medication Administration was a success. The feedback from the Watsonville vendors was extremely positive with expressed interest in other training courses we offer. HSU is planning to go at least every other month once month.
- There are plans for SIR training at the outer offices.

C. Highlights:

- HSU introduced a new class “Fatal 5+” to educate vendors and caregivers on those fatal conditions and the importance of quick intervention.
- HSU and the Resources teams collaborated on NTG (National Task Group) ESDS Tools training to promote earlier recognition of signs of dementia in our population.
 - A 2nd training has been planned for providers, employees, and family members in anticipation of opening our EBSH Memory Care Home.

IV. Supported Living Services (SLS):

A. SLS QA's: QA evaluations for SLS agencies are not a requirement of Title 17 regulations, however, it has previously been a practice at San Andreas. Currently QA's are not being facilitated as the department focuses on providing resources and supports to Service Providers.

B. SLS Roundtable: Resource Specialist Kai Reade presented the following information at the July Roundtable held via zoom.

SARC Policy/Procedure:

- In July 2025, Resource Specialist discussed changes to 2:1 and 3:1 billing in SLS under the new rate structure and personnel changes in the Community Resources Unit at SARC.

Community Information:

- In July 2025, Resource Specialist discussed highlights, challenges, and barriers in service delivery with SLS and ILS vendors; topics included concerns arising in IHSS communications, concerns with incoming budget cuts, request for generic resources for mental health support in Santa Clara County, and supporting individuals to return to baseline after starting services while actively in crisis

Highlights:

The next Roundtable Meeting will be conducted at via Zoom on August 13, 2025. Following that, the September 10, 2025, meeting will be held via Zoom

Supported Living Orientation For Individuals and Families

2 Completed, 6 Total attendees

SLS New Vendor Orientation

1 Completed, 6 Total attendees

V. Community Services:

Residential Service Orientation (RSO) 1 Completed, 9 Total attendees
 RSO (mini for FHA) 1 Completed, 4 Total attendees

VI. Emergency Response Plan Report

Ms. Rae'chel Jordan Emergency Response Coordinator gave the report.

A. Incident Response & Emergency Coordination:

- No evacuation warnings were issued during the monitored incidents.
- Two office Incidents were managed appropriately.

B. Current Projects/Activities

Emergency Kit Distribution:

- 1463 distributed
- Project extended to December 31, 2025
- Kits are available for eligible individuals upon request

Durable Accommodations Project

- Evergreen ADC completed their final interview with CCL to become a backup shelter, official confirmation is still pending
- An interest survey has been distributed to vendors to identify additional program participants.

VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), and COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster) Participation:

- SARC continues to participate in the Santa Clara and San Benito County VOADs, and has recently joined the Santa Cruz and Monterey County COAD

C. Training & Certification

- PROACT De-escalation Trainings offered 2.
- Collaboration with PG&E - Attended community presentations to identify potential disaster support resources for those impacted, including bus vouchers, gas vouchers, hotel accommodations, backup batteries, and accessible communications.

VII. Other:

VIII. Next QAAC meeting is scheduled for:

Tuesday, October 14 , 2025

IX. Adjournment:

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

**San Andreas Regional Center Board of Directors
SERVICE PROVIDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SPAC)
Meeting Minutes (via zoom)
August 14, 2025**

Members Present	Tade Akintade	Erika Gonzalez (chair)
Members absent	Desiree Luong	Wesley Moss
Staff Present	Rosalina Cone Francisco Valenzuela Javier Zaldivar Cal Smith Lisa Hartley Elsa LeDon Gina Billeci Gabriela Alvarez Itzayana Hernandez Vanessa Oamelda	Mike Keeley Kai Reade Maria Moreto Emily Short Lauria Furuya Maggie Pendl Mia Garza Diana Gutierrez Rae'chel Jensen
Community Present	Abigail Lorimer Alicia Loera Belen Macias Brie Hornig Camilla Shaffer Christine Shene Doug Pascover Elaine Winkler Gabriela Santos Jennifer Lucas Jenica Hadley Jeffrey Honore Jessica Lucas Kassahun Waldemariam Kerry Kaefer Lori Menzies Marco Chavarin Michelle Villarreal Mitachew Abebe Sarah Macy Summer Zehrung Tracey Marquart Vickey Perkins Yuli Padilla	Alexndra Roldan Angela Lucero Beth Prentiss Camilla Shaffer Cathy Bouchard Daya Sanchez Dylan Alto Farah Culbertson Heidi Morgan Jaclyne Ting Jasmine Williams Jennifer Johnson Lynda Miguel Kayla Wallace Kristen Henderson Lynda Miguel Mark Sung Mike Relayo Sara Grignon Sarah Verity Sylvia Yeh Tricia Lara Wayne Jasper Zoila L.

Ms. Erika Gonzalez Committee Chair led the meeting via zoom starting at 2:34 p.m.

Committee Updates

- Ms. Gonzalez distributed the DSP workforce survey and urged the providers to complete it and give their feedback. [Provider Survey - Curriculum Platform](#)

- Reminded them to use and update the Service Provider Portal.
- Asked if they were interested in relaunching the Providers/Vendors only meeting
- Shared that Gallagher is using their email address' for marketing, she asked that SARC address the issue and have them cease the action.

Provider Input

None

Best Practices for Self-Advocacy and Inclusion

- Hope Hosts an Advocacy Group
- Ability Path shared that they have a peer advisors committee.
- Imagine SLS helps individuals do advocacy.

Director Update

Mr. Zaldivar Executive Director discussed these issues:

- Regional centers will be subject to the PRA (Public Records Act) effective 1/1/2026 and that includes the provider community.
 - SARC will act like a city government
 - Legal council is guiding the regional center on the regulations
 - For vendor requests individual's information is confidential and must be redacted
 - PRA training is coming for Board members, staff and providers, stay tuned for more information.
 - For more information visit this site [How to utilize the California Public Records Act \(CAPRA\)](#)
- Review current POSs to make sure the correct rates are reflected
- Submit all your late billing on time so you are on track once the year closes you will not get paid

Community Services Update

Ms. Mia Garza Associate Director gave the report

Rate Implementation:

- For rate implementation more information will be needed, staff will reach out for more data.

Quality Incentive Programs (QIP):

- Changes are coming in FY 2025-26 to qualify you must:
 - Comply with Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)
 - Maintain compliance with HCBS
 - Complete all annual assessments
- First allotment of payments has been completed, expecting the next one
- AB 143 Hold Harmless policy expiration date has moved to 2/28/26 all rates will be adjusted accordingly.
- DDS is urging exclusive use of the eBilling system

Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Update

- Everyone should comply to qualify for the incentives
- Attend the webinars and office hours for more information

Community Resources Update

New and Closing Programs:

Ms. Elsa LeDon Manager gave the report.

7 Closed

- 6 providers closed due to lack of use in over 24 months
- 1 provider closed per their request

7 New

- 3 Residential, 1 in Salinas, 1 in San Jose, 1 in Santa Clara
- 1 Infant development program
- 2 Supportive Living Services (SLS) in Santa Clara County
- 1 Independent Living Services (ILS) in Santa Clara

Health and Safety Waiver Awareness Strategy (H&S)

- Supporting vendors with additional funding to address an individual's unmet needs that would jeopardize their health and safety; based on the individual served.
- Services that apply for the H&S Waiver:
 - SLS Transportation
 - Behavior Intervention
 - Community integration training programs
 - Community activity Support services
 - Mobile day programs
 - Creative art programs
 - Supplemental day service program supports
 - Adaptive skills trainers
 - ILS

HCBS (Home & Community Based Services)

Ms. Maggie Pendl manager gave the report.

- Trainings continue to give practical support

Vendor Training Opportunities

- **Free** trainings are offered either monthly or quarterly. You can attend any training for the first time or as a refresher course:
- Training opportunities include:
 - Service Delivery Opportunities such as "Sexuality Training"
 - Program Design workshops
 - Coordinated Family Support New Vendor Orientation (CFSNV)
 - Day Program Vendor Orientation (DPVO)
 - Residential Services Orientation (RSO)
 - Supported Living Services New Vendor Orientation
 - Independent Living Skills New Vendor Orientation (ILSNV)

- Dementia and Health related trainings
- Visit the webpage for training information: [New Vendors Training | SARC](#)

Employment

Ms. Rosalina Cone Employment Specialist gave the report:

- Program ended 6/30/25, but forms can be submitted until 9/15/25 to qualify for the incentive.
- Certifiable programs are Employment Access, and Employment Capacity
- Rate reform requires that job developers have a certification.

Emergency Preparedness

Ms. Rae'chel Jordan Emergency Response Coordinator gave the report.

Emergency Kit Update:

- 1463 distributed
- Project extended to December 31, 2025
- Kits are available for eligible individuals upon request
- Eligibility:
 - Eligible: SARC individuals in our four counties.
 - Not eligible: RCFs and ARFs that maintain their own emergency supplies.
- Go Kits vs. Stay Kits:
 - Go Kits: Portable kits for short-term evacuation (2–3 days of supplies).
 - Stay Kits: Larger, shelter-in-place containers; not portable but essential for prolonged events

Durable Accommodations Project

- Identifies and prepares day programs to serve as backup emergency shelters. The goal is to ensure safe, accessible, and licensed spaces for individuals who may be displaced during large-scale emergencies
- Shelter Requirements:
 - Kitchen, showers, changing areas, and separation space
 - Willingness to coordinate with DDS and CCL for approval
- Evergreen ADC completed their final interview with CCL to become a backup shelter, official confirmation is still pending
- An interest survey has been distributed to vendors to identify additional program participants.

Incident Response & Emergency Coordination:

- No evacuation warnings were issued during the monitored incidents.
- Two office Incidents were managed appropriately.

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- For more information contact rjensen@sarc.org

Announcements:

Mr. Valenzuela shared the upcoming events that SARC is organizing and supporting:

SARC Conferences:

- 9/20/25 Spanish Speaking Conference Salinas
- 10/11/25 Filipino Conference
- 11/11/25 DHOH Conference

- 9/10/25 SCDD hosting a State Plan forum
- 10/16/25 Service Provider Vendor Fair Watsonville
- 10/25/25 Annual Service Above Self Awards Dinner
- 10/29/25 Service Provider Vendor Fair Salinas
- 11/13/25 Service Provider Vendor Fair San Jose
- 11/15/25 Annual Holiday Craft Fair

SCDD Central Coast

Ms. Jennifer Lucas Manager gave the report:

- Medicaid Watch - Opportunity for anyone to share their thoughts or issues/concerns around Medicaid cuts. This helps SCDD to capture issues and trends and address those trends:
https://scdd.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bOUlyKKqWCiKgse
- SCDD is continuing to offer Medicaid trainings to the community: <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Ongoing-SCDD-Medicaid-Trainings---Entrenamientos-de-Medicaid-de-SCDD-.html?soid=1121577816299&aid=HcnebAEpOtc>
- SCDD Authorized Rep for families concerned about possible separation or other needs. This is only for RC related advocacy and helping to support the adult served to speak up about their needs and participate in their IPP. Someone can make their request here:
https://scdd.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2bkVVKajYOTdyrl
- Launched the 2027-2031 State Plan Development

Next SPAC Committee Meeting:

September 11, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. Via Zoom

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.