



Self Determination Advisory Committee Meeting (SDAC)

Date: Thursday, May 21, 2026

10:30-12:00 p.m.

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

Members of the Public can also attend by Zoom.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86508804587>

Meeting ID: 865 0880 4587

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Committee Agenda

1. 5 minutes	Member Introductions (Others via chat)
2. 5 minutes	Approval of Minutes
3. 20 minutes	Public Comments
4. 20 minutes	• SDAC Committee Policies and Procedures • Feedback from recent SDP events- Roundtable Luncheon and Support
5. 20 minutes	Reports/Updates: • DDS Directive Updates • SARC Report/Updates • Officers Chair/Co-Chair Nominations • SCDD Update
6. 20 minutes	Member Questions and Discussion
7.	Adjourn. Next Meeting: Thursday, June 18, 2026, 10:30 – 12:00pm

**SAN ANDREAS REGIONAL CENTER
SELF DETERMINATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES
March 19,2026**

Members Present:	Connie Boyar Joanna Kent Laura Harris David Forderer Mary Tang	Stephanie Krol Suzanne Francisco Kishan Sreedhar Kavita Sreedhar Uma Venkatesh
Members Absent:	Lori Luzader Shamim Punnilath	Jean Jihong Chen
Staff:	Lourdes Gonzalez Javier Zaldivar Grecia Magana	Lisa Hartley Evelyn Contreras
Community:	Joe Macias (SCDD) Yasmin F. Alicia Meza	Sunil Wadwa Doug Pascover

The Self Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) commenced at 7:05 p.m. presided by Ms. Kavita Sreedhar Co-Chair followed by introductions.

1. Approval of Minutes

The committee did not get to discuss the approval of the February Minutes.

2. Member and Community Comments

Public Comments:

- Upcoming Activities:
 - Monthly SDP Support Groups will resume next month; specifics to be published by SARC
 - In-person luncheons and suppers, with participation from SARC team and committee members.
 - Aimed at peer education, Q&A, and process understanding.
 - Soliciting topic suggestions from committee/public.

- Upcoming talent show for individuals served, April 11; committee members are invited as guests.
- Ms. Yasmin, parent of a young child, described a prolonged transition into SDP.
 - SARC staff acknowledged the situation and committed to follow up offline.
 - Ms. Lisa Hartley offered direct follow-up and identify where the barriers are in order to find a solution.
 - Emphasized team-oriented support and encouraged direct escalation when communications stall.
- Ms. Lisa Hartley explained the transition from traditional services to SDP should involve:
 - Orientation attended by family
 - Person Centered Planning
 - Person Centered Planning invoice submitted, then transfer to SDP unit
 - Coordinator assigned by the end of the transfer week
 - SDP service coordinator contacts family within 48 hours
 - IPP scheduled within 30 days
- Multiple committee members and advocacy groups (OCRA, Pragnya, Client Rights Advocacy) offered support and follow-up.
 - Encouragement for families to reach out for advocacy or committee support.

3. Reports/Updates

SARC Updates – DDS Directive – Regional Center Budget Reviews

SCDD Updates – Mr. Joe Macias gave these updates for Ms. Jennifer Lucas:

- Mr. Joe Macias introduced himself as the newest SCDD addition.
 - Encouraged anyone to attend SCDD's public SDP orientations (multiple languages available)
 - SCDD and SARC will be collaborating to train new committee appointees.
 - Mr. Joe Macias is available as a resource, that will operate mainly in the Monterey area and can be reached via Ms. Jennifer Lucas.
- The SDP orientations continue to be held. You can attend and get more info here: <https://scdd.ca.gov/sdp-orientation/>

SARC Report-Ms. Grecia Magana:

Overview:

Total Active cases: 401

Active Pilot cases: 53

Average Age of Participants: 23.4

De-activated cases: 0

New cases: 15

Avg Timeline – Orien. to POS: 14 months

Avg Timeline - IPP to POS: 5.6 months

Detailed Breakdowns:

Ethnicity Breakdown (Last Report)		<u>Difference</u>	Ethnicity Breakdown (Current Report)	
White	126	+4	White	130
Spanish/Latin	45	+1	Spanish/Latin	46
Vietnamese	21	+2	Vietnamese	22
African American	3	---	African American	3
Indian	10	---	Indian	10
Chinese	53	+5	Chinese	58
Korean	15	---	Korean	15
Multi	9	---	Multi	9
Japanese	2	---	Japanese	2
Other Asian	20	---	Other Asian	20
Russian	4	---	Russian	4
Asian Indian	48	+2	Asian Indian	50
Other or Unknown	31	+1	Other or Unknown	32

Language Breakdown (Last Report)		<u>Difference</u>	Language Breakdown (Current Report)	
English	307	+12	English	319
Spanish	16	---	Spanish	16
Vietnamese	16	---	Vietnamese	16
Mandarin	23	+2	Mandarin	25
Cantonese	4	---	Cantonese	4
Hindi	4	---	Hindi	4
Farsi	1	---	Farsi	1
Korean	7	---	Korean	7
Russian	3	---	Russian	3
Other	5	+1	Other	6

FMS Utilization (Last Report)		<u>Difference</u>	FMS Utilization (Current Report)	
Aveanna	75	+1	Aveanna	76
GT Independence	59	+1	GT Independence	60
Mains'l	51	---	Mains'l	51
Acumen	7	---	Acumen	7
Essential Pay	8	---	Essential Pay	8
FMS Pay	7	---	FMS Pay	7
Ritz FMS	38	+3	Ritz FMS	41
Cambrian FMS	22	+2	Cambrian FMS	24
Action FMS	6	---	Action FMS	6
Ace FMS	35	+1	Ace FMS	36
Public Partnerships LLC	12	---	Public Partnerships LLC	12
Arch FMS	1	---	Arch FMS	1
Fact FMS	7	---	Fact FMS	7

Sentinel Four	6	---	Sentinel Four	6
Accura FMS	40	+5	Accura FMS	45
Dromen	5	---	Dromen	5
Sequoia SD	1	---	Sequoia SD	1
AAA	5	---	AAA	5
HR Alliance West	1	+2	HR Alliance West	3

*FMS list updated to include transfers between FMS agencies.

Residential Setting (Last Report)		<u>Difference</u>	Residential Setting (Current Report)	
Family Home	350	+15	Family Home	365
Independent Living	16	---	Independent Living	16
Supported Living	17	---	Supported Living	17
Community Care Facility	1	---	Community Care Facility	1
Other	2	---	Other	2

Living Codes:

Family Home (11); Independent Living (13); SLS (14); CCF 4-6 Beds (46); Other (98)

Age range	Number of Participants
18yrs and under	153
19 to 29 yrs	189
30 to 39 yrs	45
40 to 49 yrs	10
50 to 59 yrs	4

FMS Updates

Agency	Supported Models	Waitlist	Budget Cap
Acumen	Bill Payer/ Sole Employer	None	None
Aveanna/Premier	Bill Payer/ Co-Employer	None	\$300,000 above \$350k is subject to approval

Cambrian FMS	All-but only accepting Co-Employer	Opens 2025	None
Essential Pay/Casa Fiscal	Bill Payer	1-2 month waitlist	\$80,000
FACT Family	All	No waitlist	None
FMS Pay	Bill Payer	No waitlist	None
GT Independence	Bill Payer/ Sole Employer	No waitlist	None
Mains'l	Bill Payer/ Sole Employer	Waitlist Opens 1/29/2025	\$350,000
Ritz FMS	All	No waitlist	\$120,000- higher is subject to approval
Sequoia SD	All	Not disclosed	Not disclosed
Ace FMS	Bill Payer/Co-Employer	No waitlist	\$120,000
Action FMS	All	Not disclosed	Not disclosed
Public Partnerships LLC	Sole-Employer	Not disclosed	Not disclosed
Arch FMS	All	Not disclosed	Not disclosed
FACT-Financial Management	All	Not disclosed	Not disclosed
Sentinel Four	All	Not disclosed	Not disclosed
Dromen	All	No waitlist	None
Accura	All	No waitlist	\$150,000- higher is subject to approval
HR Alliance	Not disclosed	Not disclosed	Not disclosed

Current Transition Supports:

099 Self-Directed Supports (up to 40 hours)

Aveanna is our new 099 PDS vendor.

FTS- FMS Transition Supports (up to 3 months per scenario)

-scenarios: new to SDP, changing FMS agencies, or transferring RCs

Program Updates:

[Regional Center Directives: CA Department of Developmental Services](#)

February 6, 2026

Self-Determination Program: Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Funding for the Self-Determination Program

<https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/D-2026-SelfDeterminationProgram-001.pdf>

3. Adjournment:

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.



Join Us For the

Self Determination Roundtable Luncheon

HOSTED BY

San Andreas Regional Center's Self Determination Advisory Committee

An In-Person Roundtable luncheon for individuals and families served by SARC to **connect, learn, & share** experiences about the SDP

 **Date: May 30, 2026**

 **Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00PM**

 **Location: 10707 Soquel Dr, Aptos, CA 95003**

Gave the Dates

June 27

July 25

Aug 29

Sep 26

Open discussion with SARC SDP Team
Community connection & support
Free Catered Lunch Provided



RSVP

Please register and include the total number of attendees from your family or group.

REGISTER NOW



Scan QR CODE to register

 **408 660 6753**

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*We Look forward to
seeing you there*

