

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.**

Minutes of the Meeting of the

Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

February 22, 2023

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families was held on Wednesday, February 22, 2023. The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Preeti Subramaniam, Co-Chair
Wendy Lai, Co-Chair
Jessica Porter
Mary Soldato
Jaye Dixit
Herminio Escalante
Jessica Porter
Richard Centeno

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Director, Community Services
Daniela Santana, Director, Client Services
Rosa Chavez, Assoc. Director, Family/Transition
Tim Travis, Associate Director of Community
Services
Yaned Busch, Manager, Specialized Services
Jessie Lagos, Manager, Specialized Services
Erika Gomez, Liaison, BOD & RDDF

ABSENT:

Flor Tolley

GUESTS:

Gisele Ragusa
A. Skrow
Nada Saleh

ITEMS DISCUSSED

CALL TO ORDER

Preeti Subramaniam, Co-Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.
A quorum was established.

The minutes of the January 25, 2023 meeting were reviewed and approved.
M/S/C (Soldato & Escalante) Minutes from the meeting were approved by the committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT– None

CLIENT ADVOCATE UPDATE – Elisa Herzog was not present.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – “Remote Services and EVV” – Tim Travis, Associate Director of Community Services, presented on the following:

- Remote Services – Day Programs and Independent Living Programs
- DDS Directive Dated November 23, 2022
- What a remote service is
- What a remote service is not
- Provider responsibilities
- Regional center responsibilities
- Electronic Visit Verification
- What information is being collected by service providers
- How it’s being collected
- Live-in caregiver exemption
- Regional center services required to use EVV
- Regional center services required to use EVV in Self Determination Program
- When it starts
- Answers to frequently asked questions

Future Training Topics:

- March 22, 2023 – Changes to the appeals process
- April 26, 2023 – Training Approaches and Strategies for Service Coordinators

Updates and Information by SG/PRC Staff

- *Self Determination Program (SDP):*
 - SG/PRC has 99 participants that are fully in the SDP program with approved spending plans and SDP IPPs.
 - SG/PRC partnered with DDS to hold an EVV training on January 17, 2023. It was well attended by individuals served, their families and Independent Facilitators.
 - Staff also participated in a meeting with DDS and FMS providers to discuss barriers when transitioning people to Self Determination.
 - Staff continue to:
 - promote The Waiting Room
 - remind the community of the meet and greet events
 - remind the community of the live SDP orientations

- *Coordinated Family Supports Pilot Program:*

Coordinated Family Support (CFS) is a new service designed for adults with developmental disabilities who choose to live with their families. This new service will be tailored, individualized, and flexible to meet the needs and preferences of the individual being served along with their family. It is also designed to assist the individual served and their families with coordinating/scheduling services and supports. This service is for adults (18 years and older) who live with their family.

- *Parental Fee Program:* DDS identified 19 families that needed verification for participation in the Parental Fee Program. This program was suspended during the pandemic. As of May 1, 2023, parents that are eligible will begin paying monthly fees for parental share of cost with regards to residential placements. DDS resumed fees as of March 1, 2023. SG/PRC is due to notify families by March 15, 2023.
- *COVID – 19 Update:* The SG/PRC catchment area is a low community level.

ADJOURN

Co-Chairperson Preeti Subramaniam adjourned the meeting.

The next Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, 2023 via videoconference at 6 P.M.