

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the

Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

August 28, 2024

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families was held on Wednesday, August 28, 2024. The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Phillip Loi, Co-Chair
Jaye Dixit
Richard Centeno
Sam Yi
Preeti Subramaniam
Mary Soldato

STAFF:

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Daniela Santana, Director, Client Services
Zorahida Preciado, Associate Director, Adult &
Residential Services
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and
Equity
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant,
Communications

ABSENT:

Jovenal Malonzo Jr
Adele Zimmermann

GUESTS:

ITEMS DISCUSSED

CALL TO ORDER

Phillip Loi, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum was established.

- The minutes from the July 24, 2024, meeting were reviewed and approved. **M/S/C (Yi & Dixit) The minutes from the meeting were approved by the committee.**

PUBLIC INPUT - None

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – On Duty Team by Ronnie Pratts, On Duty and Floater Services Mgr. & Team

by Daniela Santana, Director, Client Services

The following was discussed:

- The On Duty Team was created in response to the Strategic Plan to identify and evaluate what may be causing the delays in response time between staff

- and individuals served. As well as in efforts to improve response times and provide excellent service delivery
- Introduction of Ronnie Pratts, On Duty and Floater Manager
 - Introduction of On Duty Specialists
 - Responsibilities of On Duty Specialists, Floaters & Transfer Coordinator

**This presentation with the complete information can be found in the meeting materials folder.*

Future Training Topics:

- September 25, 2024 – Behavioral Services Presentation

Updates and Information by SG/PRC Staff

- Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services, provided the following updates:
 - Vendor Resource Fair will take place on Thursday, August 29, 2024, 2 pm - 4 pm.
 - The Master Plan meetings are open to the community, The Bridges newsletter is a useful tool to receive updates on Department of Developmental Services
 - Subminimum Wage Programs will sunset January 1, 2025. SG/PRC is working in collaboration with vendors to move individuals served that are currently in subminimum wage programs into alternative choices.
- Jessi Romero, Manager, Specialized Services- Special Projects- reported on the following regarding Self Determination:
 - There are currently 194 individuals enrolled.
 - The SDP Team currently has four SDP projects:
 1. SDP support group The Waiting Room hosted by Education Spectrum. Their monthly meetings are held every third Thursday of the month and are well attended.
 2. SDP training and coaching series in collaboration with Healed Women Heal will resume their third four-week series in October 2024.
 3. SDP Video Voice Overs by Education Spectrum has completed the video in Spanish and the team is currently in the process of reviewing them the video in Mandarin and Vietnamese.
 4. LVAC has agreed to use a portion of the 2023-2024 Self Determination Implementation funds to have SDP conference in the fall is being planned for October 18, 2024, in the city of Arcadia. SGP/RC continues to collaborate with the Local Voluntary Advisory

Committee (LVAC) to develop training opportunities and support groups to further enhance the implementation of SDP.

- Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director, provided the following updates:
 - Provider Directory will be an out-facing resource for families to access information about vendors. The project is in its first phase with some clean up on the information currently being done.
 - HCBS Final Rule webinar has been done in English, information on the Spanish, Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese will be sent out to the community via Constant Contact. An in-person training for individuals served by ALO will be held soon, a flyer will be provided to be shared with the community as well.
 - Accessible Dwelling Unit lottery was held in July, two individuals were selected to move in either October or November 1st, an open house will be held. It is a two bedroom, one-and-a-half-bathroom home, in the city of La Puente, the owners of the property, the Housing Development Organization, will be the landlords.
 - The Community and Service Needs Survey was completed which identified what SGPRC was going to ask the department money for to develop new projects. Seven top priorities were identified.
 - Specialized residential options for adolescents or adults with unique medical or challenging service needs.
 - Specialized day options for adolescents or adults with unique medical or challenging service needs.
 - Mental Health services and supports especially when generic services are not able to meet individual needs
 - Affordable housing
 - Mobile crisis teams
 - Employment
 - Early Intervention

ADJOURN

Chair, Phillip Loi adjourned the meeting.

The next Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 25, 2024, via videoconference at 6 P.M.