

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEYS
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

July 2, 2026

The following committee members attended said meeting:

PRESENT:

Kelly Privitt, Chairperson
Valerie Donelson
Christopher Trevilla
Ookie Voong
Jaime Currie
Johnnie Martinez
Sharon Ehrig
Edgar Cartagena

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jazmyne Robinson
Beba Saba (LOA)
Janee Blackburn
Mario Escobedo
Baldo Paseta
Jazmine Ulibarri

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services
Jaime Anabalon, Quality Assurance Specialist
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications & Public
Engagement Officer
Elba Moreno, Assistant Communications
Department

GUEST:

Gabriela Pena, All's Well Recruiter

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

THE VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

None

A. CALL TO ORDER

Kelly Privitt, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was established.

The minutes of the meeting on June 4, 2026, were reviewed and approved.

M/S/C (Donelson & Ehrig) The Vendor Advisory Committee approved the minutes.

B. MOST PRESSING CONCERNS FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS

None

C. VENDOR CATEGORY REPORTS

Adult Programs

Vocational – Christopher Trevilla shared that the Vocational subcommittee meets on the last Thursday of the month at 3 P.M. via Teams. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for July 24, 2026. Mr. Trevilla also shared several important updates; DOR launches online wage/benefits coordination training resource, the Training Innovation Project (TIP) “Setting the Record Straight about Hiring and Retaining Disabled Workers: Debunking Myths” (TIP Master Class via ZOOM). The 2026-27 California state budget includes a massive funding increase of \$60 million in ongoing federal funds for the California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR). This specific vocational rehabilitation adjustment expands capacity, funds 54 permanent positions, and addresses rising employment service demands for individuals with disabilities. Upcoming Job Fairs, available training resources, conferences and detailed notes can be found in meeting materials.

Adult Day – Johnnie Martinez introduced new Day Program co-chairperson Edgar Cartagena and shared that the Artisan Fair will take place at the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional on November 12th and a Vendor Fair on August 27th, the next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2026, at 10 A.M.

Infant & Children Services

Infant Development Program – Jazmine Ulibarri was not present.

Transportation

Baldo Paseta was not present.

Independent Living Services

ILS – Sharon Ehrig individuals who receive EBT benefits have started to get letters stating that they must work 30 hours a week or attend a school program up to 120 hours per month. But if they are receiving social security benefits, then that exempts them from that requirement.

SLS Services – Mario Escobedo was not present.

Residential Services

Specialized – Janee Blackburn was not present.

CCF – Valerie Donelson had nothing to report.

ICF- Ookie Voong shared that during the last Residential Subcommittee meeting it was suggested that response time for the referral packets could be extended from the current 7-day limit. Also, vendors continue to struggle with the delays with managed healthcare. They would like to, if possible, meet with the managed care

liaisons to voice their concerns. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for August 4, 2026, at 10:00 AM.

Other Vended Services- Beba Saba shared on (LOA)

At Large- Jaime Currie shared that the At Large subcommittee meets on the first Wednesday of the month. The last meeting was very well attended, vendors noted an influx of managed care plan denials, many individuals being on long waiting lists. Providers are advocating for the overturns of the denials. Also, the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center is having their SDP conference in October.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Jamie Currie spoke regarding an alleged fraud issue with in-home support services with parents not providing service, but billing for it, or under reporting hours, especially relevant to the self-determination program. There's been some issues, with some families being told that they can't under SDP count in home support services, particularly at night.

RECRUITMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

Recruiting for FY 26/27 (effective July 1, 2026)

- Residential CCF

To apply, please email elba.moreno@sgprc.org or egomez@sgprc.org

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Gabriela Pena, All's Well Recruiter gave vendors an informational presentation on the DSP Internship Program *(The full presentation is attached to these minutes) **

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATES

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, shared the following:

- May Revise budget deal for 26-27 fiscal year has been reached.
- Trailer Bill Language
- Elimination of courtesy vendorization by March 1st, 2028.
- Department of Developmental Services will be posting HCBS compliance data on its website
- Board of Director composition requirements
- Welfare institution code 4648, the state is allowing remote services through December 31, 2028, for certain services and requires DDS reporting and service provider data collection.
- 4731 Complaint Process will go into effect February 1st, 2027.

SG/PRC UPDATES

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director:

- Share your feedback: Help develop the Definition of “Cost Effective”
- SG/PRC Multi-Family housing opportunity: Prisma Artist Lofts
- Roommate Training
- Community Needs Survey for FY 26/27
- DSP Collaborative LA County
- DSP University
- DSP Internship Program
- Statewide Provider Directory
- Standardized Vendorization
- ICF - Bed holds during temporary absences
- Rate Reform
- DDS QIP – Provider Eligibility to Earn Quality Incentive Rate for FY 2026-27
- How to Check Your Provider Survey Status
- Training on Electronic Visit Verification
- Day Program: Updates for length of day and corresponding billing
- Transportation Additional Component
- Swimming/Drowning Prevention
- American Sign Language Training Support
- Home and Community-Based Services Final Rule
- HCBS – SCLARC Free HCBS training for Service Providers on Community Connecting
- Future HCBS Projects
- Road Safety
- State of Emergency – Orange County
- State of Emergency – Los Angeles County
- SCIL/ Aging Next - Summer Bash 2026
- Stay Connected with SGPRC

Detailed notes can be found in meeting materials.

PUBLIC INPUT

Richard D. Davis Foundation Golf Tournament will take place on Monday, September 14, 2026.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next regular meeting will be held on August 6, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.