

Self Determination Local Advisory Committee Minutes

Online Meeting Through Zoom due to COVID-19

March 13, 2024 6:00pm – 8:00pm Approved 5/8/2024.

Meeting Start Time: 6:01pm

Committee Members:

Present:	Absent:	Vacancies:
Terrence Payne – SD-LAC Co-Chair	Armida Ochoa	
Sherry Johnson – SD-LAC Co-Chair	Luz Hernandez	(2) SCLARC appointed spots
Santiago Villalobos	Raul Muñoz	available
Alberta Moore	Erica Clark – Clients' Rights Advocate	
Alnita Dunn		
Crystal Smith – FRC Representative		
Sofia Cervantes – State Council Representative		

Guests:

SCLARC:	State:	Public:
Jenice Turner	Christine Tolbert	Kimberly Peaks, Beatriz Dover, Riva Huitron – UNI, Priscilla Medina –
Odulia Juarez	Marianita Mendez - DDS	UNI, Taghi Naderzad – The Stable, Ana Batres, Martína Nava, Daniel
Isaac – Interpreter		Antunez, Veronic Moser, Katya Rodriguez Saldaña, Andrea Camacho
Eduardo Kogan – Interpreter		Jenny Savitsky, Rubi Saldana, Jaqueline Casas, Albert Armenta, Gloria
Rocio Rodriguez		Avila, Jose Limón, Shelia Jordan Jones, Tony Tea, Griselda Mendoza,
Armando Sanchez		Daysi F, Hortencia Garcia, Charlotte Henderson, Haydee, Hernandez,
Ericka Anguiano		Maria Montoya, Tamra Pauly, Whit Williams, Monica Rodriguez, Maria
Berlin Ruiz		Duran, Faviola Cruz, Sandra Marchelli, Maria Lopez, Karina Saldana,
Wendy Echeverria		Faviola Alvarado, Lourdes Lopez, Socorro Martinez, Marcia Antunez,
Zaydda Meza		Daisy Villalobos, Maria Oropeza, Gabriela Ramirez, Mariana Guerrero,
Kiara Lopez		Catalina Navarro, Leticia Vidaca, Aldo Sapiens, Kelli Marsh, Lilia
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• Welcome/ Introductions

- Cynthia Rivera called the meeting to order.
- SCLARC staff read Zoom language interpretation instructions.
- Cynthia Rivera gave the floor to Co-chair Terrence Payne. He introduced his co-chair Sherry Johnson and she called roll call.
- Quorum was established.
- January minutes not up for approval because quorum was not established at previous meeting.

• **November 2023 Meeting Minutes** (voting item)

Changes Made

- o Inclusion of discussion about including vendor presentations at future committee meetings.
- o Alberta Moore (SD-LAC) was added as a November attendee.
- Motion for approval after changes have been included made by Alberta Moore. Seconded by Alnita Dunn. Motion passed.
- SCLARC Participant Updates: DDS Directives Updates
 - Link to discussed DDS Directives was dropped in the chat.
 - December 2023:
 - SDP participants are now eligible to receive services under the Coordinated Family Support Services Pilot Program
 - o SDP services including pre-enrollment transition support may be provided remotely as long as the services meet certain requirements. Such as Remote services maintain the participant's rights of privacy, dignity, and respect.
 - o Guidance on Option B: Initial Person-Centered Plan
 - Regional Centers may pay up to \$1,000 for the initial PCP. Either from vendored PCP providers or non-vendored providers that have the proper qualifications.
 - o Pre-enrollment transition supports do not require a vendored service provider.
 - For potential SDP participants who need additional transition support, a vendored service called "General Sef-Directed (SD) Supports", service code 099, exists to support transition into SDP.
 - o FMS Transition Supports
 - o Paid to FMS providers in 3 scenarios
 - ❖ Initial enrollment into SDP
 - ❖ Participant's transfer from one FMS to another (paid to receiving FMS)
 - * Participant's transfer from one regional center to another.

SCLARC SELF DETERMINATION PROGRAM		SCLARC SELF DETERMINATION PROGRAM		
PARTICIPANT STATUS DATA		PARTICIPANT STATUS DATA		
January 2024		March 2024		
In process for Self Determination	127	In process for Self Determination Program	139	
Completed Orientation and Requested		Completed Orientation and Requested		
Budget		Budget		
Currently Started 1st yr Self Determination	34	Currently Started 1 st yr Self Determination	36	
Program		Program		
Continuing Self Determination Program for	36	Continuing Self Determination Program for	35	
the 2nd yr		the 2 nd yr		
Continuing Self Determination Program for	28	Continuing Self Determination Program for	31	
the 3rd yr		the 3 rd yr		
Continuing Self Determination Program for	3	Continuing Self Determination Program for	5	
the 4th yr		the 4 th yr.		

Total Individuals Receiving Services Under Self Determination Program	101	Total Individuals Receiving Services Under Self Determination Program	107
Entered on January 1, 2023	0	Entered on March 1, 2024	2
Scheduled to Begin Self Determination	3*	Scheduled to Begin Self Determination	2*
Program February 1, 2024		Program April 1, 2024	-
Transferred Cases to Other Regional	13	Transferred Cases to Other Regional	13*
Centers		Centers	
DATOS DEL ESTADO DEL PARTICIPANTE de SCLARC en el PROGRAMA DE AUTODETERMINACIÓN NOVIEMBRE 2023		DATOS DEL ESTADO DEL PARTICIPANTE de SCLARC en el PROGRAMA de AUTODETERMINACIÓN ENERO 2024	
En proceso para el programa de autodeterminación Orientación complete y/o presupuesto solicitado	127	En proceso para el programa de autodeterminación Orientación complete y/o presupuesto solicitado	139
Para empezar el primer año en el programa de autodeterminación	34	Para empezar el primer año en el programa de autodeterminación	36
Continuar para el segundo año de autodeterminación	36	Continuar para el segundo año de autodeterminación	35
Continuar para el 3er año de autodeterminación	28	Continuar para el 3er año de autodeterminación	31
Continuar para el 4 año de autodeterminación	3	Continuar para el 4 año de autodeterminación	5
Total de personas que reciben servicios bajo el programa de autodeterminación	101	Total de personas que reciben servicios bajo el programa de autodeterminación	107
Participantes inciando el programa de autodeterminación para el 1 de enero del 2024	0	Participantes inciando el programa de autodeterminación para el 1 de marzo del 2024	2
Programado para comenzar el programa de autodeterminación el 1 de febrero del 2024	3*	Programado para comenzar el programa de autodeterminación el 1 de abril del 2024	2*
Casos Transferidos a Otros Centros Regionales	13	Casos Transferidos a Otros Centros Regionales	13*

• SDP Orientation Dates:

- Monday, April 22, 2024 1pm-5pm (Spanish Only)
- Monday, June 17, 2024 1pm-5pm (English Only)
- State Council holds weekly orientations via zoom https://scdd.ca.gov/sdp-orientation/

• Committee Vacancies

- Antwan Jones resigned from his position.
- Please email sclarc.org if you believe you would be a good fit.

• Public Comment

- Terrence Payne Are there any projections from the State Council for where we should be in terms of enrollment?
- Santiago Villalobos Do these (SDP SCLARC Statistics) cases include those who are waitlisted with FMS?

- Currently there is delay with onboarding but DDS has increased the amount of FMS providers that participants can choose from. List can be found on DDS website.
- Sherry Johnson What is the timeframe for receiving a budget after requesting a budget meeting?
 - o SDP tries to schedule meeting within 2-3 weeks.
- Tamra Pauly Endorsement for Taghi (Personal Trainer)
- Rubi Saldana There are a lot of inaccuracies from the FMS. As a co-employer we are supposed to share the responsibility but how am I supposed to stay within my budget when the numbers I see are different.
- Christine Tolbert (SCDD staff member) Gave statistics on SDP orientations held by State Council. SCLARC has the least number of families attending their orientations. An on demand self-paced orientation is in the works with DDS and hopefully by July it will be available.
- Mariana Guerro FMS package can be difficult to understand for some families. A lot
 of misinformation is being given to families and Independent Facilitators making it
 difficult to get certified as an IF.
- Sofia Cervantes (Committee Member SCDD) Reminder that SCDD continues to hold virtual training every Monday at 10 AM. Next two weeks will be about Person Centered Planning but in April and May a series on Special Education will start.
- Sheila Jordan Jones When is the next statewide council meeting.
 - o Looking at the first or second week of April.
- Coaching programs are beneficial to the families and to Self Determination participants. The committee spoke about some initiatives in 2023 in regard to coaching and it might be time to rediscuss.
- Ana Batres Concerned about the reduction of payment to the Independent Facilitators.

• SDP Vendors and Non Vendors Presentations

- Understanding Needed Integration presented by Riva Huitron
 - o Independent Living Support with a focus on employment
 - o 1:1 ratio
 - o Offers support at jobsite.
 - o Preemployment support such as resume building.
 - Have partnerships with many different companies so they can offer jobs that are PCP centric. They will develop a partnership with a company if it is what the individual needs.
 - Vendored at SCLARC so consumers can reach out to their SCs and visit UNI.
 - o Individual does not need to be unemployed to receive services.

- Taghi Video
 - Non vendored
 - o Personal Trainer with located in McKinley and Slauson
 - Offers training sessions in small groups but they can offer 1:1 sessions if needed.
 - They do not provide services outside of their locations nor do they provide transportation.
- A Rising Tide presented by Shainna S Cato
 - Vendor was a no show.

Self Determination Fair Review Date and Location

- Same place as last year in South Gate?
- Maybe look in to the Northern part of the catchment area
- Booking would be in August October as they are booked for the summer.
- Cynthia Rivera will come back with dates at the next meeting.

Upcoming Local Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

- Self Determination Fair Review Date and Location Voting Issue
- FMS presentations Present a guidebook to help families be prepared to onboard at their specific company.
 - Discussion amongst the committee about the barriers that currently exist within the community facing FMS companies and how to provide more FMS options. Provide advice to regional centers.
 - O Different FMS have different procedures and it might be good to have an internal rating system.
 - Structure presentations in a user-friendly manner. Success stories to help families understand.
 - Presentations should focus on the challenges and strategies for working with the FMS.
- Alberta Moore Save the chat, print and translate in order to bring up at another meeting.
- Invite DDS to give insight on the ever-changing procedures and how to best help the families?
- Sheila Jordan Jones and Veronica Moser Stories about their clients
- Revisit the frequency of meetings.
- Raul Munoz's seat

• Adjournment

- Sherry Johnson requests access to the recordings of the meeting.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.