

Local Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes November 16, 2023 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

## Members in Attendance:

Joyce Clark (FA), Tracey Flourie (FA), Debra Jorgensen (A), Horacio Correa (FA), Chris Lubinski (FA),

## **Ex-Officio Members in Attendance:**

Mary Ellen Stives SCDD, Rob Grijalva, SDRC

## Members / Ex-Officio Members Absent:

Kim Rucker (on leave), Tania Schloss (on leave), My Dinh (FA), Bertha Taylor (A) (on leave), Reva Subra (FA),

This meeting was conducted via Zoom video conferencing and was called to order by Joyce Clark at 10:02 am.

- 1. Committee and guests were welcome and Joyce shared information on the role of the LVAC. Members introduced themselves and guests were welcomed.
- 2. Public Input:
  - a. Marta Leyva expressed her appreciation for the local conference.
- 3. Approval of minutes

Motion by Debra Jorgensen seconded by Horacio Correa to approve the minutes of the October 19th meeting. Motion carried.

- 4. Statewide Advisory Board Updates:
  - a. Last meeting was in September and is on the State Council website. There is a portal to enter best practices for the SDP.
  - b. System and operational barriers continue to be a part of the discussion statewide.
- 5. San Diego Regional Center Report:
  - a. Current enrollment data: 410 SDP cases; Twenty-three new enrollments will begin in December.
  - b. More than  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the SDP participants are being served by the new SDP unit. New Service Coordinators will need to be hired. Internal candidates have all worked in SDP.
  - c. Outreach and training efforts will be focused on Imperial County. A new SDP Service Coordinator will start in the Imperial office in December.
  - d. Two roundtables will be held for Independent Facilitators and FMS providers. Contact <u>sdp@sdrc.org</u> for more information.
  - e. Questions related to 099 and 024: Rob shared that most decisions are planning team decisions. Payments for SD pre-enrollment will be extended into January if needed. Rob stressed the need to ensure all enrollees have the supports they need prior to enrollment.
  - f. Discussion regarding being participants being stuck in the process for reasons beyond anyone's control and how that will affect IFs. Rob explained that issues will need to be looked at on a case-by-case basis.
- 6. Implementation Funds / Expenditure Plan Update:
  - a. Self-Determination in Action Conference: David provided information from the conference evaluation. Overall the conference was highly rated, satisfaction with both the conference and the SDP program was noted. Joyce shared information obtained in the Connection Zone for ways the LAC could support the community with more education and information events in the future. Potential Power hour topics: social rec, hiring and training staff, working with nonvendored agencies, school-aged transition,





working with existing vendored agencies to access and/or modify services, role of the Service Coordinators in the new SDP unit.

- b. Next Power Hour will be held on January 16<sup>th</sup>. Neuro Nav will prevent on SDP services and the intended audience is Spanish Speaking families.
- c. The next round of Implementation funds should hopefully be available after March. Joyce explained the process of allocation of funding.
- d. Debra Jorgensen provided the following update: There are 17 total scholarships. 8 received their certification of comprehension just this week and possess the following language capacities: Russian, Armenian, Spanish (4 of the 8), ASL, Japanese, and Korean. 2 of the 9 remaining scholarships have been awarded from the first round to take the winter session. So there are only 7 scholarship spaces left and we have approximately 15 applicants so far.
- e. Imperial Valley SDP Event is being planned for potentially early May. Joyce suggested the County Offices of Education might be a good venue. Karla mentioned it would be helpful to offer information on the program and resources for enrollment.
- Joyce discussed membership, requirements and shared that the application is available on the SDP webpage on the SDRC website (<u>www.sdrc.org/sdp</u>). The application is also available on the SCDD website (<u>www.scdd.ca.gov</u>).
- 8. Date(s) of next meeting(s): January 18<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 p.m.
- 9. Motion by Debra Jorgensen, seconded by Tracie Flourie to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: David Drazenovich



