

## ***Vendor Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes June 23, 2022***

The VAC Meeting commenced at 10:00 am via video conference Zoom by VAC Secretary Melissa Carrillo.

### **I. Welcome and Introductions**

A. Group was addressed zoom etiquette and to mark participation on the chat.

### **II. From the Chair**

- Minute approval/No changes were made for May 26, 2022 minutes
- Motion to approve Minutes made by Joel
- Second by Adriana
- No one opposed or abstained

#### **Welcome Video:**

- The video was presented to the VAC
- A reminder that the VAC will not have a meeting on August 2022.

### **III. ELARC Consumer Advisory Committee**

Patrick presented on the Consumer Advisory Committee.

The summit was a success.

Patrick met with CSC leadership on June 14 for monthly preparation.

The next topic is voting on July 19

Attended Access CSC meeting there won't be a fare increase planned at the moment.

### **IV. ELARC Update:**

#### **A. Rate Study:**

The rate letters have been sent out except for services codes 900, 901, 902, and 903.

The letters were sent via email. Those who didn't have emails were sent by mail.

If you have any questions about the rates community services liaison.

#### **B. DDS DSP Survey:**

Encouraging vendors to participate in the survey it is a tool that is used for data and beneficial. An incentive (not known of what the incentive is) of is in place if the survey is completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>. If you qualified for the survey, you should of received an email.

#### **C. Covid 19:**

There is a surge on covid cases, follow the strictest guidelines

Visit the DDS website to see the most updated directives.

#### **D. HCBS**

Many received an email about validation or remediation.

A template of addendum is attached with the email. The addendum is optional but ELARC recommends that you submit the addendum for your records. The documents are due by June 30, 2022. Karen will be taking over the position of HCBS specialist.

**V. Training**

Monserrat is a ELARC Culture Specialist and presented on Culture.

**VI. Report from VAC Work Groups**

A. Workforce Staffing Workgroup

Meeting after the VAC meeting for further discussion. 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting June 30<sup>th</sup>

B. Emergency Operations Planning

Meeting was on May 26<sup>th</sup>. The meeting Gina Esparza Emergency Management Officer Took over for Roxy and discussed items that were brought up from the past and what would be worked on.

Ever Bridge Emergency System- All the information is updated on the system  
No Meeting on August, next meeting will be Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> guest speaker Omari Battles from the LA City emergency department to do a presentation.

C. SLS/ILS Workgroup

No meeting/No report  
Next Meeting in July 2022

D. Networking

Ron expressed how important it is at this time to be reaching to the legislative and the Governor.

Two things that impact our community capacity:

- 1- Expediting our money
- 2- Element of further review for the rates

More on Networking will be discussed after the VAC meeting.

E. Self Determination Forum

Next meeting will be on July 27<sup>th</sup>

F. Early Start

No Meeting until October 2022

**VII. Report on Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday March 8, 2022**

The Board of Directors meeting took place on June 14, 2022,

Kimberly reported on George de la Loza employment specialist joined the meeting and gave information on leading charge for micro enterprises for individuals. Spoke on Social Recreation. The Self Determination Program will be back.

Next meeting July 12, 2022 at 6:00 pm

**VIII. HCBS Final Rule:**

Elizabeth Harrell spoke about the funding. The state gave funding to the regional centers to give to the vendors, many have submitted grants. Had a meeting on June 16 and have another meeting on July 7<sup>th</sup>.

**IX. Community Comment**

Reminder on Survey from DDS

**X. Upcoming Service Provider Forums and Workgroups**

Please check website for most updated information. Meetings are held virtually until further notice.

**Next VAC meeting will be held on July 28, 2022**

**VLF Meeting  
Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89637230931?pwd=Z0RRbGt0ZUFBYnduRTN6aUQ5emRQdz09>

**Meeting ID:** 896 3723 0931

**Passcode:** 982933

**Phone:** 1 669 900 9128

Everyone welcome to attend. See Zoom invite below (both VLF and VAC planning use the same zoom invite):

**VAC Planning Meeting  
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Contact Roxy Ortiz, Information and Training Supervisor, at [rortiz@elarc.org](mailto:rortiz@elarc.org) for meeting details

**C. Network Group Meeting**

All meetings run 11:30am to 12:30pm (immediately following VAC meeting)

- February 24, 2022
- June 23, 2022
- October 27, 2022

**D. Independent and Supported Living Forum**

All meetings run 11:30am – 12:30pm (immediately following VAC meeting)

- November 17, 2022

Contact Maria Colón, Community Services Specialist at [mcolón@elarc.org](mailto:mcolón@elarc.org) for meeting details.

**E. Residential Forum**

- July 28, 2022

Contact Monique Perez, Community Services Specialist at [mperez@elarc.org](mailto:mperez@elarc.org) for meeting details.

**F. EVV Forum SPECIAL ONE TIME FORUM**

- April 28, 2022

Contact Doris Weis, Community Services Supervisor at [dweis@elarc.org](mailto:dweis@elarc.org) for meeting details.

**G. Employment Forum and Workgroup**

All meetings run 9:30 to 11:30 am

- March 22, 2022
- July 26, 2022
- November 15, 2022

Meeting ID: 889 0954 7737

Passcode: 964520

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88909547737?pwd=U2dtOTUreUUh5VHE0aWxOa1hNYlBoT09>

or Dial in: (669)900-9128

Contact George De La Loza, Employment Specialist at [gdelaloza@elarc.org](mailto:gdelaloza@elarc.org) for meeting details.

**H. Early Start Forum**

All meetings run 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

- April 21, 2022
- Fall Date TBD

Contact Dora Ramirez, Community Services Specialist at [dramirez@elarc.org](mailto:dramirez@elarc.org) to be added to the mailing list for meeting details

**I. Self Determination Forum**

All meetings run 10am – 11am Via Zoom will go every other month in 2022

- March 23, 2022
- May 25, 2022
- July 27, 2022
- September 21, 2022
- November TBD

Contact Ursula Cerezo, Community Services Specialist at [ucerezo@elarc.org](mailto:ucerezo@elarc.org) for meeting details.

**J. Forums in Development with Dates and Times TBD:**

- i. Behavioral Services: Contact Maria Cañas at [mcanas@elarc.org](mailto:mcanas@elarc.org)
- ii. Transportation Services: Contact Mayra Magaña at [mmagana@elarc.org](mailto:mmagana@elarc.org)

**XI. Next VAC Meeting:**

- April 28, 2022

**XII. VAC Meeting Dates**

- January 27
- February 24
- March 24
- April 28
- May 26
- June 26

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