Vendor Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes June 22, 2023

The VAC Meeting commenced at 10:00 am via video conference Zoom

Minutes prepared 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/ changes were made for May 25, 2023 minutes dates were still showing as 2022. Revision will be made.
    - Motion to approve Minutes made by Ron
    - Second by Dolores
    - No one opposed or abstained

    November 2023 Elections:

Joel Presented information on the November 2023 elections timeline. Also reviewed roles of Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. Nominations are open now . Email Liz at eharrell@elarc.org

    Virtual Vendor Fair

    - The fair is still on hold. More information will be given as it is available

III. **ELARC Consumer Advisory Committee**
    Patrick presented on the Consumer Advisory Committee.

    June 13, 2023 meeting revolved on the topic financial abuse presented by Eddie Sandoval.

    Topics for CSC 2024: if there is any topics that they would like to know about. Please let Patrick know.

    Patrick and Roxy are working on starting the consumer advocate visit to the programs either virtually or in person.

    Special Presentation from OCRA in August details TBA

IV. **ELARC Update:**

    A. **Rate Study Implementation:**
        Making final adjustments that needed to be made that information was given to the dept.

    B. **AB 637 Updates:**
        Two proposals were submitted for - Transportation and for Psychologist rates

    C. **Quality Incentive Program (QIP) Updates:**

DSP Survey reminder, unofficial news DSP survey it is open now that the deadline would be extended and will be past June 30th. To stay on updated for the incentive program.

.

D. **Public Health Updates:**
Continue updated with public health Los Angeles county.

E. **July 27, 2023 Meeting:**
A Presentation on the new ELARC QA and Compliance Unit

V. **Training**
George and Stephanie presented on Employment grant. ELARC has seen much success in supporting individuals in finding and keeping jobs. The Employment Team is available to support providers. Contact George De La Loza at gdelaloza@elarc.org

VI. **Report from VAC Work Groups**

A. <u>Residential</u>
Next Meeting: July 27th

B. <u>Networking</u>
Will meet after VAC meeting

IMPORTANT UPDATE! Letter has been composed to DDS regarding raise on minimum pay rate. Letter was set to motion and 1st to motion was Ron and Second to motion was Bryan. Letter was approved and will be shared to the Board of Directors on July 2023 meeting.

C. <u>Emergency Operations Planning</u>
Meeting was on May, there was 70 Go Kits that were delivered, 10 individuals were identified that will receive battery backup project, 4 have been delivered out of those ten.

Free training for providers for Fire prevention more information please contact Gina.

The trial period initiative for hard and hearing 25 individuals have been identified to receive the kit communication card lanyard to be able to communicate with others.
Roxy no longer is the EOP, Gina has taken that role.

If any individual is in need of an air conditioner to please contact Gina

Next meeting in two months.

D. <u>SLS/ILS Workgroup</u>
Next meeting is in November 2023

E. <u>Self Determination Forum</u>
Next meeting will be in July 2023

F. Early Start
    Next meeting will be in October 2023

VII.   **Report on Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday June 13, 2023**
        Joel reported on the Board of Directors that took place on June 13, 2023.

VIII.   **Legislative:**
        Roxy presented on updates for the legislative.

IX.   **HCBS Final Rule:**
        Karen reported on HCBS Final rule and made comment that the project sessions are posted in website. www.elarc.org

X.   **Community Comment:**
        No Community Comments

XI.   **Upcoming Service Provider Forums and Workgroups**
        Please check website for most updated information. Meetings are held virtually until further notice.

XII.   **ELARC Consumer Advisory Committee**
        Patrick presented on the Consumer Advisory Committee.
        Last meeting was April 19, 2023
        Next Meeting: May 16, 2023 regarding employment George De La Rosa
        Elections will take place; new term starts in July.

XIII.   **Upcoming Service Provider Forums And Workgroups**
Meetings are held virtually until further notice

A. **VAC Planning/VLF (Vendor Leadership Forum)** *different dates but* <u>*same zoom invite*</u>
    i. **VLF** is a briefing session 30 minutes before regularly scheduled VAC meeting to review the meeting agenda. Next meeting is September 5, 2023 at 9:30.
    ii. **VAC Planning** focuses on planning the next meeting agenda as well as long term planning for the VAC. It is held the first Tuesday of every month from 1:00 – 2:00 pm. Next Meeting is August 1, 2023 (*No VAC meeting in August but planning meeting will occur and focus on 2024 planning*)

VAC Planning/VLF Meeting
Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 896 3723 0931

B. VAC Forums for 2023

Forum/Workgroup	Dates	Time	Contact	Comments
Emergency Operations	9/28	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Gina Esparza gesparza@elarc.org	
Networking	10/26	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Ron Rozen RonR@mdhnetwork.com	
Independent Living/SLS	11/6	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Cindy Parras cparras@elarc.org	
Residential	7/27	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Kristine Cheung kcheung@elarc.org	
Employment	7/19 11/15	9:30 -11:00	George De La Loza gdelaloza@elarc.org	
Early Start	TBD	2:00 – 4:00	Luisana Cruz lcruz@elarc.org	October Date TBD
Self Determination	7/26 10/25	10:00 -11:30	Liz Harrell eharrell@elarc.org	
Behavioral	TBD	TBD	Jessica Barba jbarba@elarc.org	Not meeting- based on interest
Transportation	TBD	TBD	Mayra Magaña mmagana@elarc.org	Not meeting - based on interest

II. **Remaining 2023 VAC Meeting Dates**
   All Meetings Held on Fourth Thursday of the Month unless otherwise noted

- No Meeting In August
- September 28
- October 26
- November 16 *(3rd Thursday due to Holiday)*
- No meeting in December

All public notices are posted on ELARC website. Please visit frequently and subscribe to receive alerts to new postings electronically.