



Restoration of Camping, Social Recreation and Other Services Outreach Plan

As required per October 7, 2021 correspondence from the Department of Developmental Services (DDS,) the Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center (ELARC) has developed this outreach plan to facilitate awareness of the availability of camping, social recreation and other services as outlined in Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4648.5 as of July 1, 2021.

Purchase of Service (POS) Guidelines

Since July of 2021, ELARC has had a committee working on finalizing the POS Guidelines for the restored services. A draft is being finalized and, after public review, is scheduled to be presented to the Board of Directors at their November 9, 2021 meeting. Upon Board approval, the guidelines will be sent to DDS for final review and approval. Once final, the guidelines will be posted on the POS Guidelines page of the ELARC website and made available in languages other than English.

Outreach to Community

ELARC will partner with our family run Community Based Organizations (CBOs) to host community information sessions in English, Spanish, and with interpretation into other non-English languages to review and discuss the restoration of these services, their availability, as well as how to access such services. Individuals we serve, their families, as well as service providers and community partners will be invited to these information sessions. The sessions will be publicized via the ELARC website and social media as well as via our CBO partners.

Outreach to Individuals and Families

ELARC will develop a fact sheet outlining the restoration and availability of camping, social recreation, and other services. The fact sheet will be translated into ELARC's community threshold languages. The fact sheet will be posted on ELARC's website and social media as well as printed and posted in our lobbies. It will be included in the Individual Program Plan (IPP) packet provided and reviewed at the time of the IPP.

Information regarding the restoration and availability of these services along with a review of the fact sheet will be included on the agenda at the November Consumer Advisory Committee meeting.

Informing Service Coordinators

The fact sheet will be posted on the staff intranet to inform staff of the changes, along with the original October 7, 2021 correspondence and the final POS Guidelines. Management staff will review the changes and the documents in their unit meetings with Service Coordinators. Service Coordinators will integrate a review of the changes in access to these services into their planning meetings with individuals and families.

Service Providers



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Vendored Service Providers will be updated as to the restoration of funding for these services via the ELARC Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) meetings and targeted correspondence. Outreach to community based providers as well as providers who provided such services prior to 2009 will be made to explore development and expansion of integrated camping and social recreational services.

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