

Vendor Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes January 25, 2024

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; meeting being recorded and to mark participation on the chat.

II. From the Chair

A. Minute approval for VAC meeting on November 16, 2023

Motion to approve Minutes made by Bryan

Second by Maria

No one opposed or abstained

B. Vendor Fairs for ELARC staff in 2024

ELARC is planning on having vendor fairs on a quarterly period. There will be more info as time gets closer, the vendor fairs are being structured by dept and by units.

- C. **Correspondence to DDS-** Joel Presented an update the committee will be meeting today at 3:00 pm to finish and finalize the letter.

III. ELARC Consumer Advisory Committee

Patrick presented on the Consumer Advisory Committee on January 16, 2024.

The meeting was on Voting rights. On March 19 there will be a presentation on the budget that is being set by CA Governor. Patrick mentioned that the advisory committee have decided to continue meeting in zoom.

IV. ELARC Update:

A. Workforce Initiatives: DSP Training Stipend

Training stipend is still available

B. Directive Remote Service:

Extending remote to June 2025

C. SDP Directives:

Vendor are now to bill and get paid by FMS

D. HCBS Correspondence:

There are funds for those who need assistance in staying compliant in the program.

E. ELARC Parking Rates:

The rates have increased please see rates at the gate. When attending VAC meetings, the parking gets validated.

F. Liz Rodgers

Liz presented about Person Centered. There will be a presentation by Alva Gardner February 12 and 14 the presentation will be hybrid 9-11 am. If interested please register. You can find the flyer on the elarc.org website on person center tab.

V. Training

No Training this month.

Next Training will be on Supported Decision Making presented by Disability Voices United (DVU.) The VAC voted to provide a \$250.00 stipend from the VAC Event Fund to DVU for their presentation scheduled for 2/22/2024.

Enter training ideas in zoom chat or email jomoreno@maxhealth.com

VI. Report from VAC Work Groups

A. Residential

No meeting

B. Networking

Next meeting will be on March 28, 2024

C. Emergency Operations Planning

No report

D. SLS/ILS Workgroup

No report.

E. Self Determination Forum

Met on January 24, 2024

F. Early Start

No report

VII. VAC Funds:

The leadership will be using \$250 instead of \$500 to pay a stipend for next training speaker in February.

VIII. Report on Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday January 9, 2024

Joel reported on the Board of Directors that took place on January 9, 2024

Joel mentioned that ELARC presented the new mission statement.

IX. Legislative: Patrick reported on Legislative, Budget and Grassroot

X. HCBS Final Rule:

Karen Presented that they have already started doing monitoring visits, vendors should of receive an email. If anyone needs any resources or has questions please reach out to Karen Sibrian, ksibrian@elarc.org.

XI. Community Comment:

Olivia- Family Center Provide information and support/representation advisory committee.

XII. Upcoming Service Provider Forums and Workgroups

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

A. VAC Planning/VLF (Vendor Leadership Forum) *different dates but same zoom invite*

- i. VLF is a briefing session 30 minutes before regularly scheduled VAC meeting to review the meeting agenda.
- 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.

VAC Planning/VLF Meeting
Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 896 3723 0931

B. VAC Forums for 2024

Forum/Workgroup	Dates	Time	Contact	Comments
Emergency Operations	2/22	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Gina Esparza gesparza@elarc.org	
Networking	3/28	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Melissa Carrillo mcarrillo@elarcainc.org Karina Andrade Kandrade@elarcainc.org	
Independent Living/SLS	11/21	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Cindy Parras cparras@elarc.org	
Residential	7/25	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Kristine Cheung kcheung@elarc.org	
Employment	3/13	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	4/24	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 note

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