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ELARC Vendor Advisory Committee AGENDA

Date: November 21, 2024

Time: 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Location: This meeting will be held via ZOOM at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81403029444?pwd=RFY0QTVNdXlkMUx3V3NLYkxsVk11UT09>

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Purpose: The Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) of the Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center (ELARC) was formed as a result of legislation (Welfare & Institutions Code §4622 and §4626(a)3) and for the purpose of providing advice, guidance, recommendations, and technical assistance from vendors to the ELARC Board of Directors and staff. The Committee seeks to foster improvement in the capacity of the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) system and ELARC to provide for the needs and aspirations of people with developmental disabilities. (*ELARC VAC Bylaws, 2/25/2021*)

#	Agenda Item	Intent	To Be Discussed/Presented this Month	Lead Presenter	Time
1	Welcome	Welcome to all	Reminders about signing in, Zoom etiquette, and meeting being recorded	Joel Moreno, VAC Chair	10:00
2	From the Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review & Approval of minutes (motion required) • Updates 	Planning for 2025 Vendor Spotlight	Joel	10:05
3	From the ELARC Consumer Advocate	Updates on the activities of the Consumer Advisory Committee and Self Advocates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAC meeting • From the Desk of the Consumer Advocate 	Patrick Schattilly, ELARC Consumer Advocate	10:10
4	ELARC Updates	Updates on matters affecting the ELARC community, including but	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Services Updates • Rate Reform/Provider Directory • HCBS Final Rule 	Liz Harrell, Community Services Manager	10:15

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		not limited to state policies, directives, and agency practices			
5	Training/Presentations	Learn with others about important topics impacting our work together	DDS: DSP Internship	DDS Representative Amanda Hirschmann	10:25
6	VAC Forums/Workgroups	Updates from any forums/workgroups that recently met	Report out on Networking: Integrate into Legislative Action Agenda item in 2025 TODAY: ILS/SLS Forum AND Rate Reform Discussion for Providers with Service Codes 073, 520, 896	Joel and Workgroup Leads	10:55
9	VAC Funds	Report on use of funds set aside to support Event Management	No use of funds this month	Joel	11:00
10	Board of Directors Meeting	Report on this month's ELARC Board Meeting	Decide if any actions/feedback to the Board is needed this month	Joel	11:05
11	Legislative/Election Update	Learn and discuss state budget matters and how to take action	Legislative Updates	Liz	11::10
12	Community Comment	Opportunity for attendees to share updates or feedback with VAC	Open	Joel opens to all members	11:15
13	Next VAC Meeting & Forums/Workgroups	Mark your calendar & participate!	See you in 2025!	Joel	11:25

ELARC VAC Contact and Meeting Information

Please note that meeting dates, times, and locations are subject to change. Keep up to date by checking the ELARC website at www.elarc.org and subscribe on the website for alerts and updates.

VAC Leadership

- Chair: Joel Moreno at jomoreno@maxhealth.com
- Vice Chair: Maria Moberg at mariamoberg@yahoo.com
- Secretary: Carmen Baltazar at carmenb@alfamfamilyservices.org

2024 VAC Meeting Dates

All VAC meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of the month unless otherwise noted

January 25	HYBRID: ELARC Boardroom & Zoom
February 22	Zoom only
March 28	Zoom only
April 25	HYBRID: ELARC Boardroom & Zoom
May 23	Zoom only
June 27	Zoom only
July 25	HYBRID: ELARC Boardroom & Zoom
August	NO MEETING IN AUGUST
September 26	Zoom only
October 24	HYBRID: ELARC Boardroom & Zoom
November 21	Zoom only/Meeting is 3 rd Thursday due to Holiday

2024 VAC Training Topics

Topic	Planned Presenter	Date
Supported Decision Making	Disability Voices United	February 22
Eastern LA Family Resource Center	Olivia Hinojosa	March 28
Health and Safety Waivers	Ernesto Jauregui, ELARC Health & Safety Initiative Specialist	April 25
Budget & Systems Update	Gloria Wong, ELARC Executive Director	May 23
Quality Incentives Overview	Department of Developmental Services	June 27

Topic	Planned Presenter	Date
Law Enforcement	Ray Lara, SGPD	October 24

2024 VAC Forums/Workgroups

Forum/Workgroup	Dates	Time	Contact
Emergency Operations	2/22, 5/23, 9/26	Immediately following VAC meeting	Gina Esparza at gesparza@elarc.org
Networking	3/28, 6/27, 10/24	Immediately following VAC meeting	Joel Moreno at jomoreno@maxhealth.com
ILS/SLS	11/21	Immediately following VAC meeting	Cindy Parras at cparras@elarc.org
Residential	7/25	Immediately following VAC meeting	Kristine Cheung at kcheung@elarc.org
Employment	3/13, 7/17, 11/13	9:30 am to 11:30 am	George De La Loza at gdelaloza@elarc.org
Early Start	4/24 FALL TBD	2:00 pm to 4:00 pm	Luisana Cruz at lcruz@elarc.org
Self Determination	1/24, 4/24, 7/24, 10/23	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Liz Harrell at eharrell@elarc.org

VAC members are welcome to develop forums/workgroups on any services/topics such as Behavioral Services, Day Services, or Transportation. Contact Liz Harrell at eharrell@elarc.org if there is interest in such development.

2025 VAC Planning

Two different dates but same zoom invite

- **Vendor Leadership Forum (VLF)** is a briefing session 30 minutes before regularly scheduled VAC meeting to review the meeting agenda. Next meeting is January 23, 2025 at 9:30.
- **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 January 7, 2024.

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