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ELARC Self Determination Local Advisory Committee June 7, 2016 Meeting Notes

Members Present: Virgilio Orlina, Michelle Morales, Krystal Leal, Mei Ye. Carl Blum, Jackie Dai, Josefina Nieves

Members Absent: Cathay Liu

ELARC Staff: Gloria Wong, Liz Harrell, David Castaneda

State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) Los Angeles Office Staff: Julie Eby-McKenzie

Guests: Refer to Sign-In Sheet, guests signed in

There were no RSVPs for interpretation service.

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Virgilio Orlina, Chair. A quorum was present to conduct business. Gloria Wong greeted the attendees. Virgilio introduced Liz to present on “The Person Centered Approach in Self Determination”

Presentation: “The Person Centered Approach in Self Determination”

- Please reference the power point handout.
- This presentation focused on the elements of a person centered approach to planning as well as the legal/regulatory definition, and various type of person centered planning approaches all with a focus on Self Determination.
- There was the opportunity for the guests ask questions and obtain clarification regarding the program throughout the presentation.
 - Feedback from the audience and the committee members was focused on the need for more basic information and tools to help people understand how to approach developing a plan and how to choose a facilitator. There was emphasis on making information more understandable. The committee decided to have another informational session that addresses these issues.

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes

- **Motion/Second/Carried (M/S/C) (Carl Blum, Krystal Leal) to approve the agenda and minutes.** Unanimous vote to approve. No “no” votes, no abstentions.

Community Input

- Virgilio asked for community input. There was none.

Updates

- **Statewide Self Determination Project Update**
 - Virgilio advised that the next meeting of the Statewide-Self Determination Advisory Committee would be June 21 and that the LA office of the State Council will be serving as a teleconference site. He encouraged all members of the committee and audience to participate.
- Gloria and Liz provided the update on the developments from the most recent Statewide Self Determination Workgroup meetings, held April 20 and May 25:
 - The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) has had dialogue with Centers for Medicaid/MediCal (CMS) on the 181 questions. Focus on Fiscal Management Services cost issue; oversight of providers, health and safety, and duplicative services

- DDS is working with CMS on technical assistance to answer the questions and finalize the application in time for a July release for public review and subsequent August submittal of the application for approval.
- Guidelines for the development of Pre Enrollment meetings were discussed.
- The modules for training the Regional Centers are near final and should be implemented later this summer.
- **Outreach and Information Planning**
 - Liz presented
 - An update on Self Determination and a mini-talk on the relevance of the Person Centered Approach to planning in Self Determination to the ELARC Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) on April 28.
 - A Self Determination Overview on May 21 at the Chinese Parents Association for the Disabled (CPAD,) per our collaborative agreement.
 - A Self Determination Overview on May 28 at the San Gabriel Valley/Greater Long Beach chapter of the Autism Society in Whitter, per our collaborative agreement.
 - Liz will be presenting a training on the Person Centered Approach to the IPP and how it relates to Self Determination for the Inclusion Institute on June 25.

Planning Fiscal Management Services (FMS)Training/Presentation for November

Liz will contact Victor Lira from Premier and a representative from Community Interface to participate in a panel presentation regarding the FMS, based on what we know now and what is expected.

Develop Draft Agenda for the Next Meeting

The next meeting will be September 6. There was discussion regarding the FMS and the importance of clarity of the role of the FMS, the costs, and the need to have resources ready to go when the program is implemented. Julie pointed out that a local group of vendors and advocates are exploring this issue and suggested they may have information to share. Liz will explore.

September 6 meeting agenda Items will include:

- Panel Presentation: Independent Facilitator (Panel to include current pilot participants and individuals who have served as Brokers in the pilot)
- Statewide Implementation Update and Outreach and Information Update

Motion/Second/Carried (M/S/C) (Jackie Dai, Josefina Nieves) to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous vote to approve. No “no” votes, no abstentions. **Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm**