

FRANK D. LANTERMAN REGIONAL CENTER

Programs & Services Meeting

January 18, 2012

MINUTES

**PRESENT**

Diane Cullinane  
Marjorie Heller  
Josephine Ko  
Howard McBroom  
Lupe Trevizo-Reinoso

**STAFF**

Melinda Sullivan  
Patrick Aulicino

**NOT PRESENT**

Anila Guruji  
Ann Seisa  
Michiko Wilkins

**CALL TO ORDER**

In Ms. Seisa's absence, the meeting was called to order by Mr. Howard McBroom at 10:11 A.M.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of December 14, 2011 were reviewed and approved by consensus.

**BUDGET UPDATE**

Mr. Aulicino reviewed the *Analysis of the November Estimate for FY 2012-13 Regional Center Budget* with the Committee. (Please see attached). He stated that the governor released the budget early and highlighted that there is a \$100 million "trigger" reduction to developmental services for the current year that the Department should be able to handle within existing resources.

Mr. Aulicino reported that the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) will be having stake holder groups like they did last year. The people participating in these groups will be

nominated by certain organizations. The first meeting will take place in two weeks. Ms. Trevizo-Reinoso reported that she will represent Easter Seals in two of these meetings.

The Committee asked Mr. Aulicino about the Annual Family Fee process; he and Ms. Sullivan explained the process and the associated workload for staff.

Mr. Aulicino explained that DDS has implemented the Fiscal Management Services (FMS) for recipients of certain types of vouchers (respite, day care and transportation). This is a process in which the FMS will serve as a third party to pay families who receive a transportation voucher and are on the MediCaid Waiver. Using this FMS process will allow DDS to obtain reimbursement from the federal government, via the MediCaid Waiver program. This new program currently applies only to clients eligible for the Waiver; however it's possible that next fiscal year it may apply to all clients.

### **SLS SERVICE STANDARD**

Ms. Sullivan reminded the Committee that this service standard was reviewed at last the December meeting and is back with a small revision as requested by the Committee. (Please see attached).

Ms. Trevizo-Reinoso moved to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the SLS Service Standard as presented, Dr. Cullinane seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2012. At this meeting, Ms. Ingram, Director of Community Services, will be sharing a report on the shrinking number of licensed residential homes in Lanterman's catchment area. She asked if they would like Ms. Ingram to speak about anything else and the Committee would like a legislative update as it relates to the service system.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 A.M.

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