

Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

Programs and Services

May 8, 2013

MINUTES

PRESENT

Ann Seisa, Chair
Diane Cullinane
Karla Garcia
Marjorie Heller
Howard McBroom
Lupe Trevizo-Reinoso

STAFF

Melinda Sullivan

NOT PRESENT

Mary Bakchachyan
Julie Gaona
Josephine Ko
Michiko Wilkins

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Seisa at 10:15 A.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of April 10, 2013 were reviewed and approved by consensus.

ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT 2012: CLIENT & FAMILY SERVICES

Ms. Sullivan reviewed the 2012 Annual Administrative report with the committee. Topics included caseload growth and ratios, increased Intake activity, and special incident reports. She informed the committee that four new positions have been authorized to address the caseload growth. The committee asked about conservatorship criteria and how this information is shared with families. It also discussed the specialized caseload activity associated with individuals living in state developmental centers and resource development.

The Committee would like to review the annual administrative report every year.

POS DISPARITY DATA

Ms. Sullivan reminded the committee that, as per Trailer Bill Language for 12-13, the Disparity Data Report is mandated and will be done on an annual basis. The report has also been posted on the Center's website and community meetings will be held in June. Lanterman will have an English meeting on June 26th and a Spanish meeting hosted by one of the parent support groups is in the process of being arranged.

Ms. Sullivan facilitated a discussion on activities that might help address the disparity. The Committee suggested the following:

- Consider a Promotora Model, which uses lay people who know the community and can outreach to families
- Better accessibility of information online: something more user-friendly, less busy and able to be translated
- Scenario-based training classes in order for families to understand that they have alternative options
- Training for service coordinators on how to elicit more information from families
- Have more parent advocates
- Geography is important. Consider using other sites (service providers) to host meetings, drop-in centers for support groups, training events. It is possible that distance is part of the issue when it comes to accessing the Regional Center.
- Re-evaluate the IPP process, to allow more time for dialogue rather than administrative mandates.

These suggestions will be passed on the leadership staff. The Committee would like to review this Disparity report on an annual basis.

Miscellaneous

Dr. Cullinane inquired if anyone was aware of a current Self-Determination bill. She told the committee that the current pilot program involves approximately 200 clients statewide. Discussion followed.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for June 12, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.

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