



**SELF-DETERMINATION LOCAL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MINUTES
Approved 7/10/17**

Date: Monday, May 1, 2017

Start Time: 7:08 pm **End Time:** 8:34 pm

Location of This Meeting: Regional Center of the East Bay/San Leandro

Location of the Next Meeting: RCEB/San Leandro

ATTENDEES:

Committee Members Present: Vi Ibarra, Irene Litherland, Nickole Bouslog, Arthur Lipscomb, Esther Chow, Krista Loomis, Pamela Baird, Dianne Millner, Morena Grimaldi (via phone), Pei Wang

Committee Members Absent: Maria Marquez

RCEB Staff Present: Ronke Sodipo, Santi Rogers

SCDD Staff Present: Sheraden Nicholau (via phone)

Guests: Josh Sullivan, Mark Pollitt, Sarah Desumala (via phone), Patrick McKay, Jeyashri Ramiya, Wesley Moss, Debora Darden (via phone)

Welcome and Introductions

Chairperson Vi Ibarra chaired this 23rd meeting at RCEB's San Leandro office. Attendees were greeted and self-introductions were made.

Agenda Item: Consent to the Minutes

M/S/C The April 3, 2017, Minutes were approved as corrected [Baird/Litherland]
Unanimous

Announcements: Pamela Baird was the note taker of this meeting.

Agenda Item: Presentation: Financial Management Services, Premier Healthcare Services

Wesley Moss from Premier Healthcare Services provided a short PowerPoint presentation, peppered with many excellent questions from the committee and guests, on the Self-

Determination program requirement of an FMS. He covered the 3 models of an FMS: 1) Fiscal Agent Model (most basic, and least expensive), 2) FMS Co-Employer Model (most expensive model as the FMS takes on most responsibilities and liability), and 3) FMS Fiscal Employer Agent (the participant is the sole employer for all hired service providers; much more liability for the participant). Currently it is expected that FMS service fees will be consistent among companies offering this service, and may be between \$50-\$150/month, depending on the model chosen.

Agenda Item: Chairperson’s Report

No report was submitted.

Agenda Item: Updates from DDS Self-Determination Program Workgroup Meeting

The workgroup has not met – no report submitted. No update on the waiver submission.

Agenda Item: Outreach

Brochures have been translated to Spanish. Vietnamese and Chinese are in process of being finalized. It was suggested brochures in various languages should also feature vignettes of corresponding cultures. Esther Chow has contacted Asian families from the pilot project to contribute to these efforts. Sheraden stated that providers are becoming more familiar with Self-Determination and are asking questions about how their services will be affected when/if their consumers become Self-Determined program members. Recent, or upcoming, outreach opportunities: Empowering Asian Families Conference, West County Resource Fair, Congresso, and Down Syndrome Connection.

Agenda Item: Input on Future Agenda Items

Trainings on the various aspects of the Self-Determination program (Person Centered Planning, Independent Facilitator, etc.) would be beneficial for new members and serve as a good refresher for original members. Also, suggested, visits from pilot project members – possibly via Skype or other technology.

Agenda Item: Public Comment

The financial management piece of Self-Determination can feel complex and complicated, and possibly intimidating to consumers and family members. The FMS agency is designed to help Participants.

Reminder: No meeting in June – next meeting will be in San Leandro on July 10.

2017 MEETINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
○ June 5	CANCELLED
○ July 10	San Leandro
○ August 7	Concord

- **Sept 11** **San Leandro**
- October 2 Concord
- **November 6** **San Leandro**
- December 4 Concord