



**Regional Center of the East Bay**

*Cultivating Connection - Empathetic Stewardship - Seizing Opportunities - Intentional Adaptability*

## Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, March 24, 2025

Virtual Meeting

### RCEB BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| 1. April Key-Lee, Membership Committee                      | 7. Renee Perls, Secretary          |
| 2. Brian Blaisch  | 8. Lisa Soloway                    |
| 3. Frank Paré, President/Supports & Services Co-Chair       | <b>ABSENT:</b>                     |
| 4. Rose Coleman   | 9. Nyron Battles, CAC Chair        |
| 5. Sadia Mumtaz, Vice-President/Diversity & Equity Co-Chair | 10. Dan Hogue, PVAC Representative |
| 6. Teresita DeJesus   |                                    |

### STAFF PRESENT:

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| 1. Ashley Harmon, Executive Assistant                                     | 10. Lynn Nguyen, Director of Finance & Administration                  |
| 2. Ben Braun, Associate Director of Early Start and Young Children        | 11. Mariana Varela, Manager of Diversity, Equity, Access and Inclusion |
| 3. Caylin Patterson, Director Of Human Resources & Support Services       | 12. Michelle Velasco, Case Management Supervisor                       |
| 4. Cristie Raynor, Case Management Supervisor                             | 13. Michael Minton, Manager of Risk Management and Quality Assurance   |
| 5. Daniel Bermeo, Case Management Supervisor                              | 14. Priscilla Gomez, Community Services Supervisor                     |
| 6. Dr. Rebecca Nanyonjo, Executive Director                               | 15. Ronke Sodipo, Director, Client Services                            |
| 7. Elvia Osorio-Rodriguez, Associate Director of Client Services/Children | 16. Steve Robinson, Director Community Services                        |
| 8. Genia Lindberg, Admin. Services Manager                                | 17. Shirley Obioma, Case Management Supervisor                         |
| 9. Jeffrey Nagafuji, Manager of Specialized Services and Supports         | 18. Vanessa Ibanez, Case Manager                                       |

### GUESTS PRESENT:

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| 1. Ann Pringle               | 16. Guillermina Mazariego | 31. Noelia D                 |
| 2. Ara                       | 17. Iphone (2)            | 32. Omar Rascon              |
| 3. Assata Olugbala           | 18. Iphone (71)           | 33. Rae                      |
| 4. Ben Chen, ACPHD           | 19. IPhone                | 34. Sanasadat Shooshtari     |
| 5. Bernard Ashcraft          | 20. Jenica Hadley         | 35. Sharon Web               |
| 6. Chris Aguire/DDS          | 21. Jaynette              | 36. Sheraden Nicholau/SCDDC  |
| 7. Danielle Motley           | 22. Kanaka Kannan         | 37. Sister Avanel Johnson    |
| 8. David Glasser             | 23. Kantor                | 38. Sol Solorzano            |
| 9. Denise Bradley            | 24. Lisa Lee              | 39. Sonia M.                 |
| 10. Divine Fijian HomeCare   | 25. Marcia                | 40. Specially Abled          |
| 11. Dominique, FUFEE         | 26. Maria Ramirez, FUFEE  | 41. Tandra DeBose, YAP Advo. |
| 12. Dr. Tracey Edwards Moore | 27. Maureen Fitzgerald    | 42. Vi Ibarra/CCDDC          |
| 13. Eden Dela Cruz           | 28. Megan                 | 43. Wendell James            |
| 14. Eleanor Ramsey           | 29. Mila                  |                              |
| 15. Francesca Percelle       | 30. Mikayla               |                              |

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Frank Paré called the regularly scheduled business meeting of the Regional Center of the East Bay to order at 7:04 pm. Our Mission, Vision, and Core Values were introduced. A quorum was established shortly into the meeting and the agenda and minutes were approved then.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Regional Center of the East Bay uses Robert's Rules of Order to guide our meetings. Robert's Rules of Order is the most used manual of parliamentary procedure in the United States. Robert's Rules of Order is designed to provide structure and guidance while facilitating the orderly operation of a meeting.*

*According to Robert's Rules of Order, our board members are not allowed to comment, debate or respond to the public during our public meetings. There are other meetings such as our Diversity & Equity or Supports & Services meetings that begin at 5:30pm before the board meetings.*

*Sanasadat Shooshtari, shared her aim of finding ways to support individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Expressed her personal reliance on regional center services, acknowledging some areas where improvement could be made, such as response times. However, she emphasized that without the support from RCEB, she would not be as independent or able to live on her own. She offered her help outside the meeting, promising to assist others in reaching their fullest potential through the services that RCEB provides. Sana concluded by reinforcing the importance of everyone having a voice and recognizing the value of support in achieving potential, aligning with the mission and vision of RCEB.*

*Public Comment, Young Ha, Communicated that her son, who has autism, had been an RCEB client since he was 1 year and 4 months old. She mentioned that she is an ambassador for DBU, an organization advocating for the rights of the disability community, including self-advocates like her son and family members like herself. She expressed gratitude for the warm welcome at the meeting, stating that it was the first time she felt truly welcomed. She admitted that her family was sometimes hesitant to share due to the difficulty of expressing themselves in English. She raised a concern about changes in service codes and categories related to her son's day program, which she had learned about from the program's vendor. She was unsure about the new codes, categories, and the involved agencies, and she asked for clarification on these changes so that she could better negotiate services for her son. She concluded by thanking the participants for their attention.*

*David Glasser had one quick question regarding the events in Washington, asking if there was a place on the agenda where someone could provide an update on how these changes were affecting the regional center.*

*Francesca Percelle, requested the Mason Tillman report be released.*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – Rebecca Nanyonjo, DrPH, Executive Director

Dr. Nanyonjo explained the current uncertainty regarding federal funding, particularly following a significant reduction of \$200 to \$300 billion recently passed by Congress. The State of California was also facing budget shortfalls, with a \$9.5 billion deficit in Medi-Cal funding. This could result in cuts to local programs that rely on federal and state funding, including regional centers. She outlined that 40% of California's residents depend on Medi-Cal services, and that regional centers rely on Medi-Cal. Although the full impact of these cuts was unclear, she anticipated significant shortfalls. The state's revised budget would be released in May, and a final budget would be adopted by June 30, 2025. She also discussed the State Department of Developmental Services' focus on protecting entitlement programs and prioritizing support for young children, though further details on potential budget cuts were still pending. Another key issue discussed was the state's Master Plan which has been under development for 2-3 years. The 10-year plan, which includes regional centers, was set to be released to the public on March 28, 2025. She also shared her plans for community meetings in the coming weeks to introduce herself and gather input from local residents. She emphasized that these meetings would be scheduled to maximize participation, with various attendance options, including Zoom. Dr. Nanyonjo highlighted the upcoming release of

the National Core Indicators (NCI) data, which would be presented at the April board meeting. She also mentioned the ongoing strategic plan, which will guide the organization's direction.

Dr. Nanyonjo discussed the Mason Tillman Report and introduced two key member during the meeting. She expressed her intention to share the report, which would soon be posted on the website. She also mentioned the significant interest the report had generated. Dr. Tracey Edwards Moore and Mr. Omar Rascon, who had been working with the regional center and were involved in addressing concerns raised in the Mason Tillman report. These individuals were brought into the discussion due to their expertise in leadership, equity, and organizational management. Dr. Nanyonjo emphasized the importance of external perspectives in addressing the community's concerns, particularly related to fairness, justice, and communication.

Dr. Moore shared her background in leadership development and her certification in Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI). She mentioned that her involvement in the project began under the previous Executive Director, and she highlighted the shift in focus under Dr. Nanyonjo's leadership, with continued efforts to act on the findings of the report. Mr. Rascon introduced himself as someone with a background in public health and healthcare administration, currently pursuing a doctorate in organizational leadership with a focus on equity and social change. The discussion was aimed at addressing issues identified in the report and ensuring future actions were in alignment with the community's needs.

The board engaged in questions and clarity regarding when the report would be posted, the concerns with connecting with Dr. Ramsey regarding the report and findings/recommendations, and the involvement of Camp Jedi. Dr. Nanyonjo addressed all concerns and reviewed parts of the "Final Draft Mason Tillman Report" including reviewing the goals moving forward. Dr. Tracey Edwards Moore also discussed the feedback received during the last PVAC Meeting around the report.

With quorum established we then moved back to Agenda/Minutes

#### **CONSENT AGENDA / MINUTES**

M/S/C "The Board moves to approve the March 24, 2025 Agenda as presented"  
[Sadia/Renee] Unanimous - The motion was adopted. (1 abstention which was later corrected due to a misunderstanding of the current motion.

M/S/C "The Board moves to approve the February 24, 2025 Minutes as presented".  
(Sadia/Rose] 7-yes, 1-abstain - The motion was adopted.

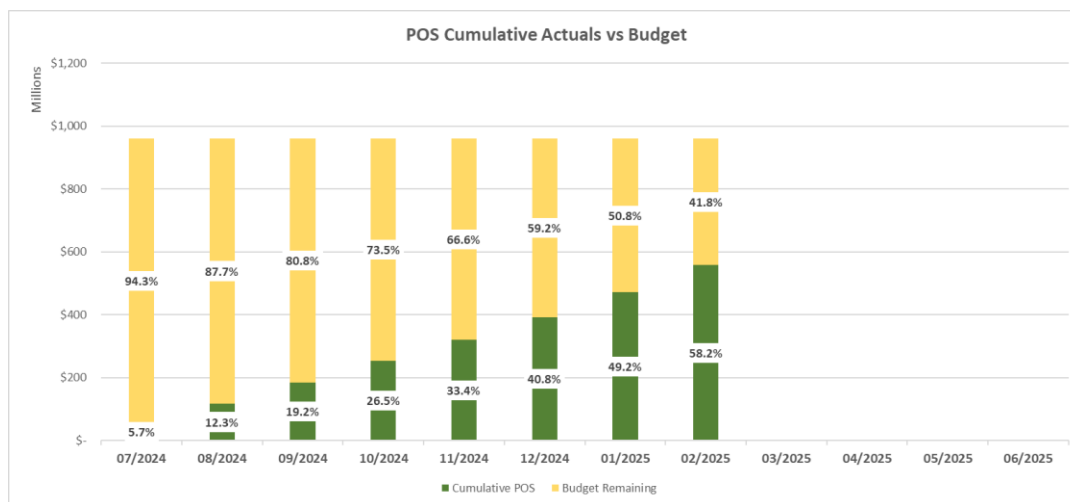
#### **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** – Lynn Nguyen, Director of Finance & Administration

##### **PURCHASE OF SERVICE**

In March, RCEB received the allocation intent letter from DDS for the A-2 amendment. This provides additional POS allocation of \$54M and HCBS funding of \$845k. We have included these additional amounts for this month's reporting. The actual amendment contract will be sent out from DDS for Board's approval in the following month. We have only been tracking actual POS expenditures against the total budget, due to the changes in authorizations for the implementation of the rate reform effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. We also have been working on sending out new rate acknowledgment forms to vendors as quickly as possible due to these changes in service codes and sub codes for the rate reform. Despite of these changes, a preliminary PEP will be done for April since DDS has reinstated the requirement for the Regional Centers to submit the Purchase of Services Expenditures Projection (PEP) reports again for April 2025. The staff will present the PEP report to the Board at next month meeting. Through February 2025, for non-CPP POS expenditures, we have expended \$558M, or 58% of the total budget of \$959M for Fiscal year 24-25. This is comparable to the 61% of the total budget of \$759M for the last fiscal year at this time. For CPP POS Expenditures, in the A-2 intent letter, RCEB received additional \$1.7M for CPP/CRPD start-up costs for several projects, with the largest project of \$1.5M for a multifamily project where 25% (or 14 units) are set aside for DD individuals. This additional funding is included in the budget for this report. Through February 2025, we have spent \$372k to date for placement

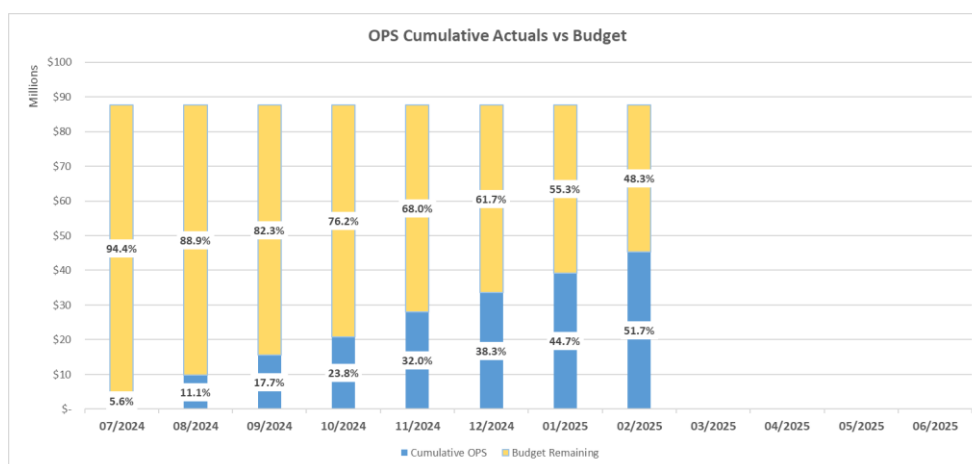
costs, with only \$100k funding allocation. We will need to review and request for additional allocation for placement.

The graph POS cumulative Actuals versus Budget shows POS expenditures trending month-over month compared to the overall budget for FY 24-25.



## OPERATIONS

The A-2 amendment received in March also included the remaining OPS funding for CPP/CRDP for \$1.2M and \$250k for Assistance with Health and Safety Waiver due to the rate reform. We have included these additional amounts for this month's reporting. With the A-2 allocation, through February 2025, we have expended \$45M, or 52% of a total of operations budget of \$88M, which is more compared to the 46% of a total budget of \$78M for previous fiscal year at this time. RCEB will continue to utilize Operations funding to recruit, hire and retain staff while experiencing increasing costs in legal, temporary help, and consulting expenses. We are pleased to report an increase in headcount of 16 since January for a total employee count of 596 as of March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The additional hire of Case Managers helps improve our caseload ratios as reported below. The graph OPS cumulative Actuals versus Budget below shows OPS expenditures trending month-over-month compared to the overall budget for FY24-25.



See attached file. The additional graphs are provided for informational and comparison purposes:

- Operations actual versus budget as compared to February 28, 2024.
- Operations 8 months YTD for the last 5 fiscal years.
- Purchase of Services 8 months YTD for the last 5 fiscal years.

### Caseload Ratios for Case Management

Each year on March 1<sup>st</sup> as required by our DDS contract, RCEB needs to report our caseload ratios to DDS.

These caseload ratios are calculated for each type of caseloads, namely Medicaid Waiver, Age Zero to Five, DC movers in last 12 months, Complex, Low/No POS, and All Others.

Below is March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 ratios compared to March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, as compared to the required caseload ratios.

	Medicaid Waiver	Age 0-5	From DC	All others	Complex	Low/No Pos
<b>Required ratios</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Caseload ratio 3/1/2025</b>	<b>80.1</b>	<b>59.7</b>	<b>31.1</b>	<b>82.4</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>39.7</b>
<b>Caseload ratio 3/1/2024</b>	<b>97.1</b>	<b>78.3</b>	<b>44.2</b>	<b>103.3</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>39.8</b>
<b>2025 vs 2024</b>	<b>(16.9)</b>	<b>(18.6)</b>	<b>(13.1)</b>	<b>(20.9)</b>	<b>(5.6)</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>

RCEB reported 26,463 cases in March 2025, compared to 25,246 in March 2024, for an increase of 1,217 cases. While RCEB has not met the required ratios in some areas, the March 2025 caseload ratios show overall a significant improvement year over year in all areas, due to the increase of 83 full-time equivalent for a total of 358 Case Managers. The board engaged in questions and comments with Ms. Nguyen regarding the Budget and Finance Report. Ms. Nguyen addressed concerns and will continue to update information shared with the board. The importance of attending the Budget and Finance Subcommittee meeting was expressed. Ms. Sodipo was also asked to join the conversation to clarify caseloads and increased rates. The board and Ms. Nguyen revisited the Helping Hands reporting frequency of twice a year, and the procedure aimed for presentation (Draft) before our next Helping Hands report in June 2025.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT/PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Frank Paré, President

#### CONTRACT APPROVAL

*[Note: The contracts were submitted to the board of directors prior to the board meeting for their review and opportunity to ask questions and provide comments.]*

### R&D TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INC:

July 1, 2025-June 30, 2028

- 6,000 # of Daily Trips -- 3,000 # of Clients
- Ambulatory: \$3.54 per trip -- Non-Ambulatory: \$3.62 per trip
- Annual Total: Up to \$5,370,624.00 - Contract Total: Up to \$16,111,872.00

M/S/C "The Board moves to approve of this contract with R&D Transportation Services, INC. as specified" - Discussion occurred with the board and RCEB's transportation department to provide clarity on the contract before voting – Especially highlighting that the rates as established by DDS.  
[Rose/Lisa] 7-yes - Unanimous - The motion was adopted

### CONFLICT OF INTEREST (COI) POLICY:

Dr. Nanyonjo provided an overview of the Policy that was previous shared in the board packet. These changes are additions to the current policy required by DDS.

M/S/C "The Board moves to approve the Conflict of Interest Policy as presented"  
[Brian/Teresita] 7-yes - Unanimous - The motion was adopted.

### RESOLUTION FOR EXCEPTION TO THE 180-DAY WAIT PERIOD:

Dr. Nanyonjo provided an overview of the Resolution for Exception to bring Lisa Kleinbub in for consultation and support. Caylin Patterson, our HR Director also joined the conversation to further discuss and answer any board questions/concerns.

M/S/C "The Board moves to approve the Resolution for Exception as presented"  
[Renee/Lisa] 7-yes - Unanimous - The motion was adopted.

\*Quorum was interrupted during the beginning of this section and incorrect voting occurred – once quorum was reestablished votes were retaken live in the public meeting and the official motions and votes were carried and documented.

**MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** April Key-Lee

Ms. Key-Lee provided an update on the membership status of the Regional Center of the East Bay Board. She mentioned having spoken with and connected with at least four candidates, and possibly a fifth, all of whom were present at the meeting. She explained that candidates are required to attend public meetings to understand how the board operates and the overall governance of the Regional Center of the East Bay. The board consists of individuals representing the developmentally disabled community in Alameda and Contra Costa counties, with at least half being clients of the center, parents, or legal guardians. Ms. Key-Lee also highlighted that next year; there will be open positions on the board. Specifically seeking new members from Contra Costa County, as well as Spanish-speaking or Latinx individuals. She encouraged anyone interested, including parents, family members, or clients of the regional center, to review the informational page for potential candidates. She also emphasized that the board members are volunteers who dedicate their time to the role and reminded everyone of the fiduciary responsibilities of the board. Please check our website and read about the board and e-mail your interest: [Board of Directors - Regional Center of the East Bay](#)

**CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE [CAC]:** Rose Coleman

In lieu of Mr. Battles reporting Ms. Coleman explained that CAC did not take place this month due to quorum. Next CAC Meeting will be in person in April.

**DIVERSITY AND EQUITY SUB COMMITTEE:** Frank Paré, President

Mr. Paré requested that Dr. Nanyonjo report on the meeting discussion with Ms. Mumtaz being absent for this section of the board meeting. She mentioned that similar updates were given about the currency of the State, and introductions were made by Camp Jedi. The group requested that all subcommittees align with the strategic plan. A key discussion focused on strengthening partnerships. They also discussed improving the organization and structure of subcommittees for future progress. She informed the group of upcoming listening sessions taking place with Camp Jedi which aim to address issues highlighted in the Mason Tillman Report and explore ways to move forward productively. Mr. Paré briefly added that a parent had raised concerns at the committee about ongoing challenges in receiving services. He noted that he had previously spoken with the parent and expressed a desire for resolution. Dr. Nanyonjo confirmed that they had collected contact information from those who raised concerns and were working on following up to ensure a timely response, addressing potential communication issues. (Communication occurred with the families and the board of directors were updated on the status).

**PROVIDER/VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE [PVAC]:** Dan Hogue

Mr. Hogue was not present during the board meeting; Mr. Paré requested that Dr. Nanyonjo provide an overview. The focus was on legislative efforts in the East Bay region. A significant portion of the conversation revolved around what would constitute effective advocacy in light of rapid changes. The group discussed the Mason Tillman report, which generated valuable feedback on recommendations and considerations for the organization's future actions. Additionally, upcoming events were shared. Dr. Nanyonjo noted that the meeting also covered typical concerns raised during PVAC gatherings, but she acknowledged the summary was brief due to the absence of her notes. Board members engaged in further questions/conversation regarding the state budget and financial impact to the system

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*Sheraden Nicholau/SCDDC a member of the State Council, addressed the group, emphasizing the significant impact Medicaid cuts would have on Californians. She explained that 43% of the state's population, over 17 million people, rely on programs funded by Medicaid dollars, including services like regional center services, IHSS, WIC, Covered California, the Affordable Care Act, CalFresh, and foster youth programs. She noted that these cuts would severely affect these individuals from day one. She shared that ongoing efforts were being made to train various groups—community, professional, self-advocacy, and family advocacy groups—on Medicaid and*

effective advocacy techniques. She highlighted the importance of the next two weeks, describing them as critical opportunities for people to contact their Congressional representatives and U.S. Senators about the significance of Medicaid funding in California. She also encouraged individuals to spread the message to others across the country. In addition, she offered training sessions on Medicaid advocacy and how to effectively tell one's story to legislators. Sheraden also mentioned upcoming events, including a session on limited conservatorships and supported decision-making on March 27th, and statewide self-determination orientation trainings in multiple languages. Lastly, she announced the next regional advisory committee meeting on April 30th, focusing on health equity work in emergency departments. The meeting would be hybrid, with both in-person and Zoom options.

Vi Ibarra/CCCDDC, representing the Developmental Disabilities Council in Contra Costa County, provided a report on the Transition Conference and Resource Fair that took place on March 15th at DVC in Pleasant Hill. The event had 296 registered attendees, including people from Contra Costa and Alameda County, with the majority being regional center clients and their families. There were 68 vendors at the Resource Fair and 16 presentations throughout the day. Vi expressed gratitude to the Regional Center of the East Bay for providing Spanish translation services and translating the presentation slides, enhancing accessibility for Spanish-speaking attendees. Additionally, the Regional Center and the State Council funded American Sign Language translation for the event. Vi shared information about upcoming events, including a Town Hall hosted by West Ed on inclusive access to diplomas for students with disabilities, scheduled for March 25th. She also mentioned presentations on the HCBS final rule offered by Tool Works and Finding Golden Solutions on April 10th and May 21st. Furthermore, she highlighted the upcoming Creativity Expo in Concord on April 24th, showcasing talent from local programs. Lastly, Vi announced the next Council meeting on March 26th, which would feature a presentation from the Regional Center of the East Bay on the new person-centered IPP form.

1. March 25, 2025 1:00 p.m – 2:30 p.m

Zoom Registration for the “Inclusive Access to a Diploma: Reimagining Proficiency for Students with Disabilities” Town Hall: [https://scoe.zoom.us/meeting/register/1Edqf80Qr6PE\\_g9FzjiNg](https://scoe.zoom.us/meeting/register/1Edqf80Qr6PE_g9FzjiNg)

2. HCBS Final Rule, and Why it is Important to Clients and Family Members, flyer with more information here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/12YomohKJkn6UGh-2tF1NaGCI5CZadfyp/view?usp=sharing>

3. TOPS Creativity Expo! Thursday, April 24, 2025, Flyer with more information: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NcBjEwTeLzzFapHLeOg8-NDNGQTYvJ2E/view?usp=sharing>

Ara, the speaker thanked the audience for the opportunity to share their comments. They emphasized the importance of an essential tool for effective participation and encouraged others to write their comments or ask about accessibility and the rights of people with disabilities. The speaker highlighted the need for communication avenues that foster inclusion and participation for everyone. They also expressed their own commitment as a Latina mother and participant in the Hispanic community. The speaker acknowledged the significant barriers Latino families face, particularly in terms of language and cultural access. They respectfully requested that Latino and Hispanic representatives be included in oversight plans and the implementation of policy changes not only the African American community. The speaker concluded by stating that true inclusion is achieved only when all voices are represented, ensuring that their families, too, deserve to be heard and involved.

Ben Chen, a representative from the Alameda County Developmental Disabilities Council, shared updates from their organization and community. In February, the Council held a board meeting with a presentation on legislative advocacy, focusing on tracking federal policy changes and the state budget. They emphasized the importance of action alerts, urging people to contact legislators about the impact of Medicaid cuts. March was a break month for the Council, as usual. Additionally, Erin Patch from Ability Now Bay Area joined the Council, and they continued recruiting board members from the developmental disabilities community. Ben also expressed gratitude for the support received for their transition conference, which included translation and interpretation services, making it more accessible to a wider audience. The Council and the Contra Costa County Developmental Disability Council were also planning their annual Joint Council Awards event, which would be held in Alameda County in early June, with more details to come. Ben shared that the Alameda County Behavioral Health Department had released a community input survey under the Behavioral Health



Services Act, highlighting the inclusion of the disability community as a required stakeholder group. He encouraged broad distribution of the survey to ensure the needs of the IDD community were represented. Lastly, Ben mentioned several community events, which would be shared via email, and reminded everyone that they could email him to subscribe to the Council's newsletter for more information on events.

Alameda County Behavioral Health Services Act Survey

Alameda County Behavioral Health Services Act Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MWNFLYY>

Audio format: <https://acmhsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Audio-Version-BHSA-Community-Input-Survey-Integrated-Plan-FY2629.docx>

(Spanish) Congreso Familiar Pittsburg 2025 | Saturday, April 5, 8AM – 2PM | Pittsburg High School | [Register Here](#)

Congreso Familiar is a conference focused on education and empowerment for Latino families with children or family with disabilities served by RCEB. Events in Spanish from La Familia: 1. Virtual: Monthly Orientation | Regional Center Services and Generic Resources |

Tuesday, April 15th, 2025 (Zoom), 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | [Zoom Link](#) 2. Family Trust for Children with Disabilities (Estate Planning and Asset Protection) | Thursday, April 17th, 2025 (Zoom), 10:00 am – 12:00 pm |

[Registration Link](#) 3. ABA Therapy: Process, Access, and Context for Parents and Caregivers | Tuesday, April 29th, 2025 (Zoom), 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | [Registration Link](#)

Next Alameda County DD Council Board meeting will be a hybrid meeting on April 9, at the Alameda County Public Health Department, 1100 San Leandro Blvd, San Leandro, CA 94577.

We will have a presentation on Social Recreation. If you plan to attend in person, please RSVP on our google form. RSVP:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdBR\\_pE\\_lXxUSDAdia9IOs5Ftp\\_BI1RCNJR52Nm7APcBDsnnw/view\\_form?usp=header](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdBR_pE_lXxUSDAdia9IOs5Ftp_BI1RCNJR52Nm7APcBDsnnw/view_form?usp=header)

Assata Olugbala, expressed her concerns around the Mason Tillman report and not being formally presented and her impression of the Action Item related to the Resolution Regarding Lisa.

Sharon Web, expressed dissatisfaction with the decision to waive the waiting period for Lisa to return and criticized the handling of the Mason Tillman report. Requested transparency to the board and the public.

David Glasser, mentioned that the Tillman report had highlighted some important issues. He noted that, beyond the problems raised, the report had revealed a lack of data that should be collected in the future. He suggested that as part of the ongoing process, they could start identifying the types of data that should be gathered to ensure the information is available if the Board needs to revisit the issues. Glasser also agreed with previous speakers, expressing concern that the authors of the report did not come in to present or defend their findings, calling it a problematic situation.

Speaker (referred to as iPhone 2), recalled an event involving a preliminary report from the Tillman report. The speaker remembered Frank had stepped out of a board meeting when the report was discussed, and they emphasized their ability to document events despite having a learning disability. The speaker mentioned taking snapshots of key moments and keeping notes that only they could read. They referred to a meeting that occurred when Nancy Barsman visited from Sacramento and met with case managers. Lisa led the board meeting, and the preliminary report, which was color-coded, was shared with the regional center. The Tillman report, which included interviews with black vendors, was also noted. The speaker recalled the details of the meeting and confirmed that everything was documented. Mr. Paré thanked Zach for his comments.

Dr. Eleanor Ramsey, explained the draft report and comments made. She mentioned that RCEB requested she present to a body of the regional center with only three days notice and emphasized it was not possible to deliver such an extensive report on short notice but expressed willingness to present it to the board or any other group, provided enough time was given to prepare. She stressed that the presentation would need proper preparation and could not be done impromptu. She also clarified the collection of data for the Mason Tillman Report. Dr. Ramsey emphasized the importance of hearing from those involved in the organization and hoped that the upcoming presentation would be informative and well-received. She requested that any questions or issues be submitted in writing for them to address thoroughly. Frank thanked her for the update.



**ASSOCIATION OF REGIONAL CENTER AGENCIES (ARCA):** Frank Paré, President  
Mr. Paré was traveling and did not attend the last ARCA meeting.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

The board meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

**CLOSED SESSION – Legal – Cancelled due to time.**

**Next Virtual Meetings on April 28, 2025**

The next Supports and Services Committee Meeting will be at 5:30 PM

The next Board Meeting will be at 7:00 PM

**Acronym List**

**ARFPSHN** Adult Residential Facility for Persons with Specialized Health Care Needs

**BAHC** Bay Area Housing Corporation

**CCH** Community Crisis Home

**CPP** Community Placement Plan

**CRDP** Community Resource Development Plan

**DDS** Department of Development Services

**EBSH** Enhanced Behavioral Support Home

**FHA** Family Home Agency

**HCBS** Home and Community Based Services

**ILS** Individual Living Services

**ILS** Individual Living Services

**OPS** Operations

**PEP** Purchase of Service Expenditure Projection

**POS** Purchase of Service

**SLS** Supported Living Services