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VIA ELECTRONIC & U.S. MAIL

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Dear Name:

I am pleased to inform you that the Membership Committee of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) has appointed you to the local <<Name of Regional Center>> Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC).

As you may be aware, the regional center appoints half of the members to the local SDAC and SCDD appoints the other half. You are being appointed by SCDD as a SCDD representative.

Per statute, the Committee members must include consumers, family members, the regional center Clients' Rights Advocate, as well as other advocates and community leaders. The local SDAC must also reflect the multicultural diversity and geographic profile of the catchment area.

I hope you will find your experience as a SDAC member rewarding in helping to further the principles of Self-Determination: Freedom, Authority, Support, Responsibility and Confirmation. As a SDAC member, you will be responsible for the following:

- Providing oversight of the Self-Determination Program
- Reviewing the development and ongoing progress of the Self-Determination Program, including whether the program advances the principles of self-determination and is operating consistent with the requirements of this section,
- Making recommendations for improvement to the regional center and the Department of Developmental Services
- Facilitating the sharing of best practices and training materials

*"The Council advocates, promotes & implements policies and practices that achieve self-determination, independence, productivity & inclusion in all aspects of community life for Californians with developmental disabilities and their families."*

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A SCDD Regional Manager will contact you shortly to discuss your appointment and provide you with more details, including the date of your next meeting.

I personally want to congratulate you and welcome you as a member of your local Self-Determination Advisory Committee. I look forward to what we can accomplish together on behalf of Californians with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities and their families.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Sandra Smith, Chairperson  
State Council on Developmental Disabilities