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DATE: August 28, 2020





TIME: 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM

COMMITTEE CHAIR: Kara Ponton

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER

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Item 3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

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Presented by: Aaron Carruthers, Executive Director

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 - i. Kern Regional Center
 - j. North Bay Regional Center
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 - l. Regional Center of the East Bay
 - m. Regional Center of Orange County
 - n. Redwood Coast Regional Center
 - o. San Andres Regional Center
 - p. South Central Los Angeles Regional Center
 - q. San Diego Regional Center
 - r. San Gabriel Pomona Regional Center
 - s. Tri-Counties Regional Center
 - t. Valley Mountain Regional Center
 - u. Westside Regional Center
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Item 14. ADJOURNMENT

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AGENDA ITEM 5.

ACTION ITEM

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES –
Membership Committee**

Approval of November 2019 Minutes

Action Recommended

Approve the November 2019 minutes.

Attachment(s)

November 2019 Minutes



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**Membership Committee Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2019**

Attending Members

Andrea Vergne (FA)
Kara Ponton (SA)
Rosanna Ryan (SA)

Members Absent

None

Others Attending

Aaron Carruthers
Beth Hurn
Chris Arroyo
Chris Snyder
David Grady
Dena Hernandez
Lisa Hooks
Mary Ellen Stives

Others Attending (continued)

Robin Maitino-Erben
Sarah May
Scarlett vonThenen
Sheraden Nicholau
Sonya Bingaman
Tamica Fouts-Rachal

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Kara Ponton (SA) called the meeting to order at 1:03 P.M.

2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

3. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Members and others introduced themselves as indicated.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

5. APPROVAL OF THE May 2019 MEETING MINUTES

It was moved/seconded (Vergne [FA]/Ryan [SA]) and carried to approve the January 14, 2019 meeting minutes. (Unanimous, see list of attending members on the top of page 1)

6. DEMOGRAPHIC MAP

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers reviewed a map showing the current demographic makeup of the Council.

7. APPOINTMENT AND VACANCIES

Executive Director Carruthers presented the current Appointment and Vacancies Tracking Form to the Committee.

8. APPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers presented the May 2019 Membership Report to Committee members. The report showed that one (1) term would expire in November 2019, one in January 2020 and two in February 2020. The Committee recommended all four (4) expiring members to a 2nd term

Committee Members then Reviewed Applications for one vacant Los Angeles Regional seat. After agreeing to keep other applications on file the Committee took the below action to interview one (1) candidate.

It was moved/seconded (Vergne [FA]/Ryan [SA]) to interview candidate 499.
(Unanimous, see list of attending members on the top of page 1)

9. POLICY PHYSICAL RESIDENCE VS. MAILING ADDRESS

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers reviewed the issue of physical residence vs. mailing address regarding applicant 487, who requested to serve on the Sacramento Regional Advisory Committee although their permanent mailing address is in the North State Region. Committee members reviewed the details and took the below action.

It was moved/seconded (Vergne [FA]/Ryan [SA]) to allow a self-advocate to serve on a RAC in the region they live, even though their permanent residence and regional center is outside that region, as long as they are in the region because of service needs. (Unanimous, see list of attending members on the top of page 1)

10. RAC ROSTER

The current RAC roster was presented to the Committee.

11. REVIEW RAC APPLICATIONS FOR VACANCIES, EXPIRING 1ST TERM AND MEMBER PERFORMANCE

The Committee reviewed both expiring first term appointments for seven out of the twelve regional offices as well as applications for vacant seats on Council Regional Advisory Committees (RAC). Following the Committee's review and discuss, the below actions were taken.

It was moved/seconded (Vergne [FA]/Ryan [SA]) and carried to adopt the regional manager's recommendations as indicated below. (Unanimous, see list of attending members on the top of page 1)

- Sacramento RAC: reappoint applicants 480, 481, 484, 487
- North Bay RAC: appoint applicant 486
- Sequoia RAC: appoint applicants 483 and 495
- Central Coast RAC: appoint applicants 394, 425, 440
- Orange County RAC: appoint applicant 478
- San Bernardino RAC: appoint applicant 473
- San Diego RAC: appoint applicants 482, 479

12. **LOCAL SDAC ROSTER**

The current local SDAC roster was presented to the Committee.

13. **REVIEW LOCAL SELF-DETERMINATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS (SDAC)**

The Committee reviewed applications for four regional centers and acted to fill SDAC vacancies as indicated below.

It was moved/seconded (Vergne [FA]/Ryan [SA]) and carried to appoint the below applicants to the indicated local SDACs. (Unanimous, see list of attending members on the top of page 1)

- Alta California Regional Center SDAC: applicant 97
- Redwood Coast Regional Center SDAC: applicant 74
- Golden Gate Regional Center SDAC: applicant 117
- East Bay Regional Center SDAC: applicants 98 and 107
- Harbor Regional Center SDAC: applicants 43 and 121
- San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center SDAC: applicant 123, 126,
- Inland Regional Center SDAC: applicant 77, 83, 86, and 87
- San Diego Regional Center SDAC: applicant 127

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting at adjourned at 2:55 P.M.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6.
INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE**

Demographic Map

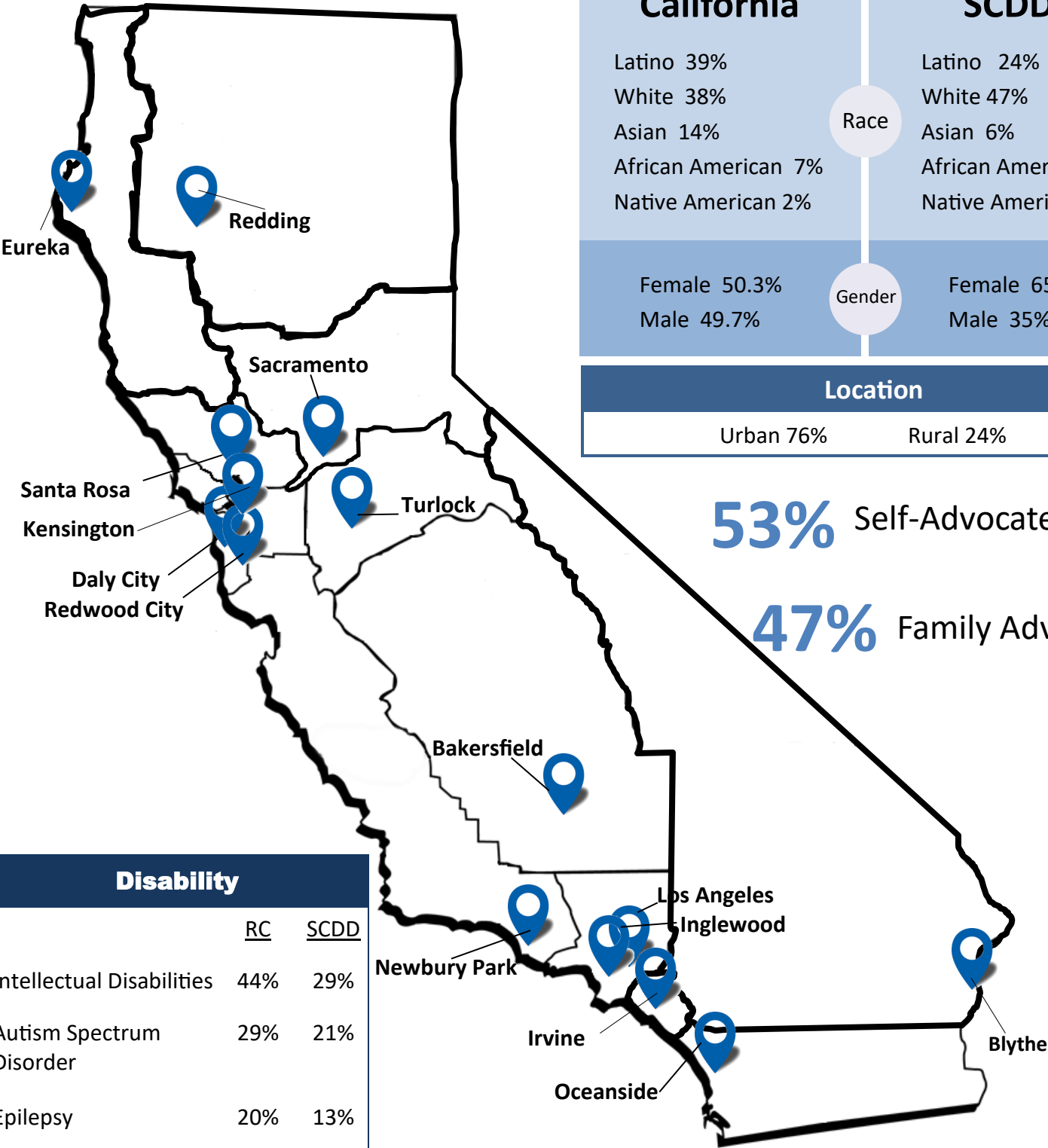
Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will go over the current Council make-up as well as the make-up showing the vacancies.

Attachment(s)

Current Demographic Map as of August 2020

Who Are Our Council Members

Non-Agency
April 2020



Note: Map displays SCDD regions

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**AGENDA ITEM 7.
INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE**

Appointment and Vacancies

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will go over the appointment and vacancy chart in the packet. This chart show Councilmember term limits as well as information on the seat they represent.

Attachment(s)

Appointment and Vacancy Chart

Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

Category	Name	*1st Term Appointment	*2nd Term Appointment	Expiration Date	Expired >60	Expired >120	Sent to G.O.
At Large Institution	Vacant as of April 2020						
At Large 1	Kim Levy Rothschild (family advocate)	6/21/2019		6/21/2022			
At Large 2	Lee Bycel (family advocate)	6/21/2019		6/21/2022			
At Large 3	David Pegos (family advocate)	5/18/2018		5/18/2021			
At Large 4	Wesley Witherspoon (self-advocate)	5/18/2018		5/18/2021			
At Large 5	Vacant as of April 2020						
At Large 6	Maria Marquez (self-advocate)	2/8/2017	3/11/2020	2/8/2023			
At Large 7	Nicole Adler (self-advocate)	12/13/2018		12/13/2021			
North Coast Region	Kara Ponton (self-advocate)	6/21/2019		6/21/2022			
North State Region	Rosanna Ryan (self-advocate)	6/21/2019		6/21/2022			

Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

Category	Name	*1st Term Appointment	*2nd Term Appointment	Expiration Date	Expired >60	Expired >120	Sent to G.O.
Sacramento Region	Joyce McNair (family advocate)	6/21/2019		6/21/2022			
North Bay Region	Jeana Eriksen (self-advocate)	2/24/2017	3/11/2020	2/24/2023			
Bay Area Region	Francis Lau (family advocate)	6/22/2015	6/22/2018	6/22/2021			
N. Valley Hills Region	Kilolo Brodie (family advocate)	7/11/2017		7/11/2020			
Central Coast Region	Sandra Aldana (self-advocate)	3/17/2015	5/18/2018	5/18/2021			
Sequoia Region	Matthew Lagrand (self-advocate)	5/18/2018		5/18/2021			
Los Angeles Region	Vacant as of Jul 2019						
Orange County Region	Karen Millender (family advocate)	6/21/2019		6/21/2022			
San Bernardino Region	Julio Garnica (self-advocate)	7/24/2019		7/24/2022			
San Diego Imperial Region	Julie Austin (parent advocate)	11/18/2016	3/11/2020	11/18/2023			

Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

Category	Name	*1st Term Appointment	*2nd Term Appointment	Expiration Date	Expired >60	Expired >120	Sent to G.O.
Dept. of Rehabilitation	Joe Xavier, Director Cindy Chiu, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Dept. of Education	Tony Thurmond, Director Barbara Boyd, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Dept. of Aging	Kim McCoy Wade, Acting Director Joseph Rodrigues, . Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
CA Health & Human Services Agency	Mark Ghaly, Secretary Marko Mijic, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Dept. of Developmental Services	Nancy Bargmann, Director Brian Winfield, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Dept. of Health Care Services	Will Lightbourne, Director Evelyn Schaeffer, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Disability Rights CA	Andy Imperato, Director Sandra Smith, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
University Center for Excellence UCLA	Olivia Raynor, Director Wilbert Francis, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
University Center for Excellence USC	Larry Yin, Director	Ongoing	Ongoing				
University Center for Excellence UCD	Aubyn Stahmer, Director	Ongoing	Ongoing				

Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

Category	Name	*1st Term Appointment	*2nd Term Appointment	Expiration Date	Expired >60	Expired >120	Sent to G.O.
Non-Governmental Agency/Group Concerned with Services to Persons with DD	Julie Neward	12/13/2018		12/13/2021			
Notes: 1) 3- Year Term 2) Appointee can serve two successive terms. 3) Continues to serve until appointment of replacement is done. 4) Of the 20 non-agency members, at least 7 are people with DD and at least 7 are parent, family member, guardian or conservator of someone with DD residing in CA. All 20 must fall into one category or the other.							

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AGENDA ITEM 8.

ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Applications for Council

Members will review and make recommendations on applications to fill the vacant At Large and Los Angeles regional seats as well as discuss expired 1st terms.

Recommendation

Move selected applicants forward to the interview process.

Attachment(s)

August 2020 Membership Report to the Council

Applications for the Following Seats Through Number 546

- At Large – Institution
- At Large
- Los Angeles Region



August 18, 2020 Membership Committee Report to the Council

SEC 1. Existing Vacancies

Seat	Date Seat Became Vacant	Months Vacant Asterisk (*) indicates vacancy of more than 4 months
Los Angeles Region	July 2019	*
At Large 5	April 2020	*
At Large Institution	April 2020	*

SEC 2. Expired Appointments

Seat	Date Appointment Expired Number of Months Expired Asterisk (*) indicates eligible for reappointment
N. Valley Hills Region	7/11/2020*

SEC 3. Upcoming Terms Set to Expire

Seat	Date Appointment Will Expire Asterisk (*) indicates eligible for reappointment
None	

SEC 4. Recommendations Solicited

Has a solicitation for multiple recommendations for Council appointment been distributed?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Agencies Solicited

Date

SCDD Website
SCDD CRA/VAS Project Manager

Continuous
May 2020

SEC 5. Councilmember Terms

Appointment Roster Listing Each Members Term Attached?

☐ Yes

☒ No

SEC 6. Nominees

Number of candidates forwarded to the Governor's Office for consideration

AT-LARGE INSTITUTION APPLICATIONS



Redacted Membership Application

MM-543

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: Stanislaus

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?

I am a generally happy young man with a High School Diploma that I am very proud of. I take very good care of my fish and try to help my housemates whenever I can. I really like being able to speak up about people with disabilities and the issues that the folks that I live with are having. I am easily distracted, however, and need someone to help me stay on track. Often times my Prader Willi tendencies/symptoms can get in the way of what I want to say or do.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?

I want to be an advocate.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I truly enjoy advocating for myself and others. I have been on committee's before and had been a long-standing member of People First while residing at PDC. I also attended the quarterly Human Rights committee meetings with my fellow peers from the Secured Treatment Area. I held many positions in People First such as President, Vice President, and Secretary. I enjoy helping to plan our activities and events and helping to relay the minutes of the meetings to the folks that were living on my residence. I also held several positions in Unit Government and helped my peers' issues be addressed.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?

My strengths are that I am an outspoken person who enjoys making friends and helping them too. I enjoy group discussions and being able to contribute to the conversation. Being a role model is important to me. I speak English but I also know some Spanish and some sign language. I can read and write well. One of my biggest attributes is that I have a big heart and like to help others. I like making a contribution. I love horticulture and taking care of plants. My family and friends are very important to me.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-545

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Urvashi Patel from the Porterville Developmental Center contacted me asking if I was interested in having my name recommended for consideration by the Council.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Client rights - uniform implementation of the Law - Non-Institutional Placement whenever possible - Oversight of and assistance to community placements centers and specialized workplace environments. Increased coordination and assistance for family placement. Community coordination of available local services is of special interest to me.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Personally, I believe we can do better in providing support to persons with disabilities and make the available support negotiable to persons searching or needing assistance. Historically, I have served on State Boards in the area of Public Health and Health Education to better serve the clients and implement activities to support each county in serving the target population. As Deputy Director of the Child Health

and Disability Prevention Program working under the Shasta County Public Health Officer, I rose to chair the both the regional and State CHDP Boards. As a Mother and grandmother raising two grandsons I advocated for a daughter with Mental Health issues and one of her sons with developmental and intellectual delays coupled with being on the Autism spectrum. Possibly this background gives me a unique and informed experience that could be of assistance in reaching the goals of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

An understanding of the needs and complexities in both small and large counties in the large State of California. Coupled with this background in Statewide needs and personal understanding of the day to day trials of the developmentally disabled, their families or advocates in negotiating a system not easily accessed nor suited to their needs in my opinion. My goal would be to support the Council in reaching or forming goals to meet the needs of a very fragile population in a safe and effective way. Thank you for your consideration.

AT-LARGE APPLICATIONS



Redacted Membership Application

MM-472

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sonoma**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My sister's has a had a rare disability her entire life that has not been understand except by doctors & made life extremely difficult to this day.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Not letting people fall through the cracks, cared for properly & accountability of those in charge, such as case workers allowing clients to be mistreated and/or taken advantage of such as my sister has.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Being a part of making the life's the best quality that they can be & providing families a security that their

loved ones will continue the same care even after they pass or in circumstances they can no longer look over the disabled family member.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My ability to analyze every detail of situations & evaluating when my own knowledge is not enough. Understanding the importance of each persons medical conditions that may effect their disability that may cause new or heighten conditions that require new professional in depth evaluations. Something that is missing in clients care now.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-494

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

The continued efforts of the school district to deny students their rights to services has prompted me to join the efforts to force the district to stop moving funds intended for disability services to other departments that are not under federal guidelines.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I would like to advocate for those students and parents who are denied services to which they have a right under the federal and state government to receive in a public school setting.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

My expertise and first hand knowledge of how the District thwarts funding to other departments and

denies services to many students may accommodate more students in receiving the services needed to access a free and appropriate education.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a teacher who has seen the progress children can make when given the rights and services appropriate to their education, I know the importance of the students receiving services as soon as possible. As a facilitator/administrator I have witnessed the denial of access to parents of services to their children when the child was in dire need. My expertise and legal background can assist parents in their battle to clearly state what needs to be done to clear the blocks toward equal access to education.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-498

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My interest in and knowledge of the developmental disability field and service system began when I was growing up. My mother's brother is an adult with a developmental disability and I was always interested in improving the quality of his life, despite how much older he was than me, and how little I knew of his options (at that time). My interest expanded during my time with Department of Rehabilitation when I was employed as Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor and then Manager, and as the liaison to the local nonprofit agencies providing supported employment opportunities. I was also liaison to the local Regional Centers and began to gain extensive knowledge about the Lanterman Act and the Regional Center system.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interests are vast, but currently my main interests are in transition through employment and

independence. I am particularly passionate about housing opportunities, affordable housing options being available and growing as individuals desire this through independence, self-advocacy and self determination initiatives. I am also most interested in mental health and the impacts of social complexities of friendships, dating, romantic relationships and sexuality. Lastly, I am tremendously passionate about employment and employment opportunities, meaningful job and and career exploration as well as job carving, flexible schedules and concepts like working interviews.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I wish to service because I am involved at the local level with regards to parent disability advisory committees, and community partner disability advisory committees, and regional center employment advisory board(s), but would really like to having a larger, more widely span impact. I would like to share my knowledge, expertise, experience and voice as wide spread as need be.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I would bring my strengths of motivating others, empowering, encouraging, bringing equity minded thinking and considerations to the table, connecting people, collaborating, contributing new concepts or existing concepts in a new way, and listening with empathy. I am compassionate, a walking well of knowledge with a resource database at my fingertips. I enjoy working together as a team and building off the strengths of one another.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-499

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I worked with a non-profit agency called Community Access in Riverside County from 2001 to 2010. Some of my job duties were assisting people who have developmental disabilities and non disabled people with being independent. I have helped developmentally disabled people get out of nursing homes. I made sure they had the services they needed such as Regional Center , IHSS, etc. so they could live independently on their own. I continue to volunteer as an advocate since I have moved to Los Angeles County. My passion in life is to be the most effective advocate I can be. I have been a RACK member for the Los Angeles Advisory Committee since 2013.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interests are learning more on how I can make positive changes for developmentally disabled people

throughout the state. I want to work with new people to make these changes happen.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to share the knowledge I've learned with others. I want to be a voice for all the developmentally disabled people who are not able to be involved. I would also like to teach individuals without developmental disabilities the importance of our independence. As an advocate I always like to get involved with people to pass bills. As a disabled advocate I try to come up with solutions on how we can get things changed in a positive outcome.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As I mentioned before, I think one of my strengths are promoting independence and change for developmentally disabled people in many different ways. Some of these ways can be from living on your own , employment, or retirement for those developmentally disabled people who are able to work. I believe that everyone should have the right to achieve their goals and live the most productive life they can.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-502

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Having a child with a disability naturally developed my interest within the field, but my passion developed throughout our journey when meeting other parents, students and providers.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in the field as a whole, but my passion is specifically in education. Least restrictive environment, inclusion, access to curriculum, social-emotional support, IEP, after school activities, instructional aids to name a few; this would include staff, parent, and student training on all of these areas. Our community is not separated by disabilities, our classrooms shouldn't be either.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on

one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I have always been advocate for my son, but would like the opportunity to be an advocate for all persons with developmental disabilities and serve in a capacity where I can increase community awareness, encourage community participation and support systematic changes to improve the lives of our community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a parent of a special needs child, I bring first hand knowledge and experience of our systems of support. Additionally, I have participated in the development of support groups for parents and have had the opportunity to work alongside Community Based Instruction teachers to develop inclusion activities. In my professional career, I train new staff members on special education, including IEPs and 504s. I have participated in trainings that have equipped me with the knowledge to help and support others, most recently "Inclusive Practices in Education".



Redacted Membership Application

MM-504

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Fresno**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My interest in developmental disability and service system developed when my child was diagnosed with a developmental disability. Unlike most parents, I did not have a difficult time navigating the fragmented system. I had the background to help me ask the right questions. What hindered me was providers and social services personnel not having the knowledge to give me the diagnosis. Without a diagnosis, I was not able to request services for my child. I see disparities in this population and I want to do more to bring desirable changes to this population.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

education, housing, healthcare, employment, transitions planning, preventing all kinds of abuse towards those with severe intellectual and/or developmental disability.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to take an active role in influencing public policy in areas that affect individuals with I/DD. California is very fortunate to be the only state to have regional centers for I/DD. However, the system does not do a good job providing services to families who do not have a graduate degree that I do to navigate a complex system. I want to use my knowledge, wisdom, and experience to talk about areas to bring changes and improvement to caregivers and their loved ones diagnosed with I/DD. The heart of change is advocacy and getting everyone to discuss at SCDD meetings or Regional Advisory Committee meetings.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My varied experience as a parent, advocate, researcher, and provider will allow me to bring diverse perspectives to the State Council or Regional Advisory Committee. My strengths lie in my passion, drive, and selfless desire to improve this population. Among the many areas, my ability to write and advocate for vulnerable populations is evidently seen in my successful representation at two hearings.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-506

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

As a parent of two kids with developmental disabilities

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Obesity prevention. Chronic Diseases in this community. Awareness and Education to them, their schools, community and caregivers. As well as institutions. And the Medical Community.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to be the voice of my kids. For what I had learned thru the years; I can bring and look out for solutions to these important issues. We all are living longer, but I don't know if my 30 year old and my 17

year old would. We all deserve equal end of life with no chronic diseases. We need MORE prevention on this issue.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a parent of a young man living in a group home, I can share some of the changes I had help the group home do to increase my son's chances to live a longer and healthier life. Being an advocate for my two sons with their own unique needs. I want to be part of their voice.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-507

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I am blessed to be the mother of a child with a developmental disability at age 14. I have first hand experience with services and challenges as well as resources and success stories. I am also the disability coordinator for Vernon Central LATTC WorkSource Center powered by CRCD. So, I understand the parent as well as a service provider angles.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

A part of my current job description is to provide employment services for participants who are interested in training or employment services. As a parent, with just 13 months with awareness of IEPs and special education for developmental disabilities; I am learning to manage the challenges of regional center and

school district about advocating for the best possible IEP.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Because the person who I love the most in this world deserves me to advocate for her needs. Because as a parent and disability coordinator, I know where the gaps and disconnections are. I am passionate about it but I am also realistic. I am 39 years old, when I was born there were still babies send to hospitals for long term care because they were born with a developmental disability. I want to make a difference and bring my first hand experience as a parent and a professional for taking steps to make a better quality life.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a parent with a teenager with Autism. I am disability coordinator for employment services. I have an Associates degree in Register Nursing yet to pass the license exam. My true passion is empowering people to reach their best from the level they are at. I don't expect miracles in no time. I work very hard to take baby steps to reach to a goal. I simply feel I do have something to contribute and to bring in.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-508

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race:

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son has a learning difference

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Special Education Rights

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to change the system. I want to be part of a new era of education for children with special education needs. I want to advocate for parents, students, and bring transparency to how IDEA/ FAPE is being handled by LEAs.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:
advocacy skills, compassion, legal background, facilitation



Redacted Membership Application

MM-509

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My daughter is nonverbal autistic

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Advancing communication options for nonverbal autistics and addressing mental health needs of the family unit.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To bring hope to struggling families and give nonverbal individuals a voice.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a parent with a background in speech pathology and trauma-informed care, I feel my extensive education, training, personal and professional experience will bring a fresh perspective in developing innovative programs to meet the mental health and communication needs of this growing population.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-511

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Riverside**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My grandson was born with Down's Syndrome and there are limited resources available.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Create more resources for parents, family members and caregivers affected with developmental disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To help those needing or requesting resources and guidance within our city/state with the necessary tools

in coping and making decisions for their loved one(s).

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Born and raised in California. Retired from Kaiser after 19 years of service working with the public and being able to help those in need of services and attention. Grandparent to 5; one with Down's Syndrome.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-512

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Fresno**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son was diagnosed when he was two with ASD, ID , and sensory processing disorder he requires 24 hour care and my wife and I have changed our entire life around to accommodate him

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Continue job placement, empowering families, early start and I FSP, IDEA, issues relating to conservatorship and community awareness

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I would like to bring a parent and professional perspective to the council especially for my geographical

region and at the state level. Providing information to legislators about the intricacies of caring for a child with a disability

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Before changing careers to better assist my family and my child I worked in the hospitality industry specifically hotel operations and management. I was the opening hotel manager for city center in Las Vegas for four years as well as the front office manager for the Wynn Las Vegas for three years working with multiple cultures and facilitating meetings and public speaking events. I now work for EPU in the central valley as a educational resource specialist helping families and putting on workshops to better assist them



Redacted Membership Application

MM-513

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **los angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

i am an individual with a disability

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

people who need a voice

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

because i want to help people who need someone who understands their needs

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a well spoken person who knows when its time ti fight and when its time to be diplomatic and im always learning



Redacted Membership Application

MM-514

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Mateo**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Worked for 7 years in special education. Now have a granddaughter with needs.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

To make services available for all with needs without a hassle

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Perhaps I have some insight being disabled myself. And perhaps I can do some good

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My intelligence and experience.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-515

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Alameda**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I began working with individuals with developmental and other disabilities as a teenager when I began volunteering at the Foundation for Blind Children (Phoenix, AZ). My interest in working with this population grew as I continued finding other ways to engage - from respite care provider to camp counselor to special educator. Now, as a faculty member at Cal State East Bay, I have the privilege of training special educators for the East Bay area and am able to influence the classrooms they currently work in or will work in in the future. I tried having a different career at one point, but could not stay away from working with individuals with developmental and other disabilities.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in supporting independence and self-advocacy of individuals with developmental

disabilities. I am also interested in training effective support providers, though mainly working with educators in schools.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I wish to support the SCDD by serving on the state council or on a Regional Advisory Committee. I recently became more aware of the work the SCDD does after attending a training in Southern California where I was trained to provide sexuality education to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As I have gotten to know the work of the SCDD, I have begun to realize I would like to support the work and the advocacy mission of the SCDD.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I have a vast amount of experience working on committees. From working on committees at the university level to working on community committees, I have learned leadership skills and the organization needed to work toward the goals and mission of each committee. I have knowledge of preparing educators to work with individuals with developmental disabilities, I have years of experience working with the population in various capacities, and I have a passion for serving and supporting the population.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-516

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Shasta**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I think there is a serious need for advocacy in the north state for the younger parents of the general population who have children with disabilities who may not be aware of what is available to them. I am studying early childhood development specializing in special needs and a mother of 2 young children, one with ASD and another going through early intervention. My passion is to inform families and help where I can so children have a greater chance at taking on the many challenges of the world.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Advocacy. Early Intervention. Giving information to the small/rural areas of CA. Community outreach.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on

one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to help make a difference in the lives of our next generation. The rise of developmental delays and disabilities is serious, and I believe we need to help people change learn about the importance of early childhood development and also help to change their views and help develop new open minded ways of thinking so we can work towards total inclusion and acceptance for all. We need more advocates in the rural communities who are aware of the services available who can also reach out and give information on a personable level.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Networking in the north state. Avid Researcher. Mom/advocate for those who can't advocate for themselves. I've gone through the process myself and I already currently give all the information I am constantly learning and pass it along to others who are in need of help.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-518

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

At first, I was interested because I have a developmental disability. I started seeing problems in services. I was recruited to join the Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center Consumer Advisory Committee. I did and I liked it. I wanted to make changes to improve services and everyday life for people with developmental disabilities. When I first started, I wanted to learn for myself – but I quickly saw that I needed to learn and share information in order to help other people with developmental disabilities. I've enjoyed learning about work plans, working with a team towards a common goal, doing the logistics and planning, and getting things done for the benefit of everyone, not just myself. My experience has grown from local issues to regional issues and I look forward to working with a statewide organization to see what I can do to help everyone.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in issues pertaining to health and safety, community safety, self-advocacy, self-determination, the Americans with Disabilities Act, people gaining more control over their lives and over who provides services to them, accessible housing, independent living, access to durable medical equipment, paratransit services, access to swimming, and communication. Lastly, I am very interested in health maintenance – exercising to maintain one’s physical, emotional, and spiritual health, especially to gain more control over your own behavior and avoid stress.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities because I want to help people with developmental disabilities both generally and to get the services they need; to get more information to learn and to share; and, to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. I enjoy advocating for others and I want to do so for the rest of my life because I see how people are happier when they have more control over their lives.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I never give up and always find another way to get something done. I recognize where the problems are and I’m good at talking and advocating. I enjoy and have experience in planning, organizing, and working as a team. I’m good at meeting people and networking. I follow through on my commitments. I don’t like leaving stuff for the last minute. I know how to get along well with people. I am fluent in English and Spanish.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-519

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have worked for and served person with developmental disabilities my entire life as an advocate and a professional.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Leadership, self-determination, employment, and transition from school to adult life, and systems change

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I see a huge need to address systems change to promote representation, leadership and employment of persons with developmental disabilities by organizations that serve their needs. I live in CA which has the

largest population of persons with developmental disabilities. I feel it is a personal responsibility as a person with a developmental disability to focus on my home state and region. I have skills and experience that I should be sharing and contributing.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My experience as a community advocate, my professional experience, my experience as a person with a developmental disability and my personal and professional resources and technical skills. I have extensive experience working with and for persons with developmental disabilities including as a presenter for Partners in Policymaking. I have a history of advocating for and with persons with all types of disabilities.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-520

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Orange County**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Conservator/Mom of Disability Adult Daughter current age 26 yrs old. This community deserves goodness advocates to fight for the on going rights and most importantly be treated like a person not as their disability.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Quality of life, Supported Living, Group Homes, Adult Day Programs also included appropriate ABA Services

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To Fight for the rights of the Disability Community for each individual to thrive with a quality of life. Often

the Disability Community is overlooked as many doesn't have a voice nor is given any options especially those special needs individuals who doesn't have a direct circle of support such as family advocating on their behalf. As a mom of Special needs adult daughter I am aware of the gaps in needed services that prevents individuals from having a quality of life by not getting the appropriate services including being respected as such.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My daughter is 26 years old currently her disability began at 6mos as a baby. The experience I have obtained over the years including mistakes of lack of knowledge that is vital with IEP's education community and IPP's Regional Center communit. Including the on going challenges of resources needed for quality of life in Support Living Services and how the gaps in services with vendors not having all the tools needed for a client to be successful at reaching any goals is vital to individuals growth success.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-521

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Santa Clara**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My Child has a developmental Disability - ASD

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interest is in exploring avenues, opportunities for learning, work, service and building allies for those in the developmentally disabled community. While there is great work being done already in this country, as a parent, a caregiver, and a member of an organization that works with developmentally different individuals, I have learned that there is tremendous scope for improvement in the areas of addressing cultural disparities when it comes to service delivery, for "out of the box" thinking in facilitating the true integration of this population into our mainstream community.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I have learned a lot from my experience as a special needs parent, as an immigrant into this country, with all the cultural stigma associated to seeking support for my child and I believe that this country and the systems it has in place to serve this population is unique and commendable. I have had the good fortune of serving on the Self Determination Advisory Committee at the San Andreas Regional Center. It has given me incredible insight into the challenges and opportunities that are available to individuals like my daughter. I also am part of an organization that is founded on the principle of integration and inclusion by building an army of allies for our developmentally different community. I believe that I can add a lot of value to this council/ committee from a creative-thinking angle, a cultural outreach and immigrant perspective along with parental insight.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

All my wisdom skills (which form the basis of our Ally Support program) such as Empathy, Mindfulness, Ego Transcendence, Emotional Intelligence, Humility
Creative Thinking - known for my "can do" attitude and "out of the box" thinking
Relentlessness - "Never say die" positive mental attitude
Marketing and PR expertise
Communication Skills (both Oratorical and Written)
Innovation - Novel ideas, thoughts, Concepts to better support the integration and thriving of individuals with disabilities.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-523

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

It started for me when I was in college, I would volunteer to take notes in class for those who were in college and going for their degree.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in motivating, training and encouraging those who are disable in whatever way I can assist them.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I am interested in helping and being an advocate in what ever way I can. I will stand beside them as an representative to make sure their voice is heard and they are respected and accepted in whatever they

are trying to achieve.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a person who's not afraid to speak up, I am a smart and strong individual who will stand with them in whatever way I can. I believe there is a place here for them in society and I will help them fight for their rights.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-524

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a 22 year old daughter with Down syndrome

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Adult education

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I am a mother, advocate, coach and teacher of disabled students so I fully understand the Issues and complexities facing people with disabilities.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Teacher, coach, leader, knowledgeable, personable



Redacted Membership Application

MM-526

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

As an educator for 15 years I have worked closely with students and families living with developmental disabilities. I am also a parent of a child with a developmental disability and understand the intricacies of their needs.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My areas of interest are providing individuals with access to resources in order for them to develop to their maximum capability. During my doctoral studies, my emphasis was on individuals with disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I wish to serve on the committee to develop a greater understanding and to collaborate with others to serve this community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My biggest strength is that I have personal and professional experiences with children and families with developmental disabilities. I have a deep understanding of the needs both at home, in the community, and in our greater society.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-527

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

As a mother of an adult son with multiple disabilities, as well as a former special education teacher and school principal, I have been engaged in the field of developmental disabilities for over 20 years. Additionally, I have served as a mentor to parents who have children with similar disabilities. I've also been part of a Medical Education Program where new medical residents spent time with us at our home to learn about how we care for our children with disabilities.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I have several areas of interest in the developmental disability field. My primary interests are in public policy, education, accessibility and healthcare.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

As a parent and former public school principal and teacher, I believe I offer a unique perspective that combines public policy awareness with first-hand knowledge of the challenges that special needs families experience every day. I'm eager to contribute my time and energy to the SCDD.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

One of my areas of strength is preparing and delivering presentations to large groups of stakeholders. As a parent and educator, I have first-hand knowledge of the importance of early intervention and the benefits of inclusion and numerous ways to implement these policies. Additionally, I have experience providing accessibility insight to architects for outdoor and indoor facilities on several school sites to benefit all people. Many times I have been able to bring projects to completion by creating a team of key stakeholders who have the insight to and expertise to complete the mission.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-528

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I work with disabled and they want up front news updates that they cant attend as easily as I can

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Covid-19

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

It will help our jobs and community be ready for new ways in training for work n new lives with virus

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I wont be late..n can help where ever needed



Redacted Membership Application

MM-529

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

In my work with the U.S. Census Bureau I have been in frequent contact with Mary Ellen Stives who works for the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, she referred me.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I have a professional background in education and I also have a 7 year old son with Autism. I would like to do all I can to ensure inclusiveness for those with developmental disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to do all that is in my power to advocate for individuals with developmental disabilities within

Imperial County and beyond.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a Partnership Specialist with the U.S. Census Bureau I have many connections in Imperial County that have helped me advocate for a complete count for the 2020 Census. I can use those connections to help advocate for the developmentally disabled here. I also have a background as a classroom teacher and I have first hand knowledge of what our education system is like for children with disabilities. I can use these strengths to advocate with the State Council.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-531

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I am a Parent of 2 with ASD. I retired early as a Paramedic to become my children's Advocate.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Recreations for special needs community.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Be the necessary and positive change in our under serviced Imperial County special needs community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Never ending energy and passion for advocacy.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-532

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My interest developed as a young person in middle school who would volunteer and advocate for my peers who were in the special education classroom at my local school. After high school, I went on to become a paraprofessional while I worked on my undergrad degree and Masters degree. I obtained my Masters in Special Education and was a Special Education Teacher for LAUSD for 7 years. I am currently an out of state Special Education Doctoral candidate from the George Washington University.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

The use of 21st century skill development and the transition experience from high school to post-high school outcomes of young people with disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I would like serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities or one of the its Regional Advisory Committees because I would like to put my newly obtained knowledge to practice and and give back to my community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am very passionate about special education, public policy, and the use of 21st century technology to enrich the lives of all.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-533

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Marin**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Having a daughter with Down syndrome was a catalyst for my involvement in the disability field. In 2012, I created a nonprofit organization that creates free reading and sign language educational applications.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I was a social worker at Easter Seals, a librarian and a teacher. Currently I am a software developer focused on providing free communications apps. I am also greatly interested in increasing the awareness and acceptance of individuals with disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Individuals with disabilities have the right to the same services and programs as the rest of the community. Too often, they are excluded from activities because they are misunderstood and underestimated.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I have a positive can-do attitude. I am also tenacious and hard-working. I have dedicated my efforts through my nonprofit www.GraceSigns.org and recognize this as an opportunity to do even more. I could be helpful by using my educational tech skills, my nonprofit knowledge and my experience as a parent of a child with Down syndrome to expand on my commitment to individuals with developmental disabilities regionally and/or on a state level.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-534

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Alameda**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Initially, my daughter, who was born with a brain tumor and who's successfully treatment left her with global developmental delays, thrust me into the world of disabilities and social services. Since then, I have become a special-ed advocate and Independent Facilitator for the Self-Determination program

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Self-Determination, Independent Facilitation, Special-Ed, IHSS, Medi-Cal, CCS, Department of Rehab

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I feel like I am an excellent creative thinker and a passionate believer in the Self-Determination Program, and would serve these committees well as a father of a Regional Center client, as an Independent Facilitator serving 6 Regional Centers, and as a thoughtful and passionate public advocate

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

A knowledge of the multiple major social service systems in California, an entrepreneurial background, personal experience as a father and primary stay-at-home parent of a regional center client, Personal, Client and Public Advocacy experience



Redacted Membership Application

MM-536

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a child with Autism and ADHD

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Becoming a stronger advocate for my child. Also gaining knowledge on his rights. Seeking the right services for my child and to help others.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To be a voice

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I have a strong will to help others



Redacted Membership Application

MM-537

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial County**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Self-Advocacy . empowering individuals with Disabilities.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Providing services to improve disabled people lives.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To provide support to maximize community and family inclusion.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Representing and supporting each person's independence while preserving the dignity of all individuals and respecting their constitutional and civil rights.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-538

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: [REDACTED] **El Cerrito, CA 94530**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My high interest and knowledge originated from being a care provider for my developmental disability brother since 5/1/2018 until today.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Self determination program, crisis and safety net services and community living

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Advocate to implement the services and benefits of DDS

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Detailed oriented and organizational skills, communication and perseverance



Redacted Membership Application

MM-539

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

First, I got my college degree in Psychology and always wanted to continue my career in Special Education path. Then, when I had kids, I learned So much more through San Diego Regional Center IV. My children are receive services through them, since 2 of my 3 kids were diagnosed with Autism. My oldest one is now 11 years old. I also volunteer with a group of children with different diagnoses in coaching them for sports, dance, and many other activities.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Learning more about special needs and helping parents with children with special needs. I have volunteered to coach sports for children with special needs here in the Imperial Valley. I want to be able to help them, be resourceful and have the knowledge to guide them through their paths. I also would be

interested in the services in order to prepare for my own 2 kids when they grow up.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I like helping, advocating for people who need it. In this case, our community with Developmental Disabilities. I want to help improve the quality of services and resources here in the Imperial Valley. There are lots of people with developmental disabilities and little knowledge of their rights and resources. I would like to help those families.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am passionate about advocating for developmental disabilities. I am a fast learner. I like to engage with parents about their experiences and help them.

I am bilingual. I am a very motivated person. I have experience coaching, teaching. I have learned strategies from ABA therapies.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-540

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have always had a sense of compassion and drive to serve a population of children with autism and other developmental disabilities. You can have a profound impact on someone's life by providing care and support to someone who needs it most. For the past eight years I have been working and caring for children with autism spectrum disorder. Making a positive impact and helping them grow, gain skills and teaching them to be independent and confident in their own abilities makes it worthwhile. Remembering everything I do serves a greater purpose helps me see the bigger picture and has helped me become a more outgoing advocate.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Programs, education and disability rights.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

We need more representation from Imperial County.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Experience and unique perspective to help shape programs and policies.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-541

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Fresno**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have served as an EMT1-A for approximately 20 years in Fresno County and Riverside County. My interest in helping Developmental and Mental Health challenges started here. Then having children with special needs, has made my desire to serving the Mental Health community much more urgent.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Mental Health and making the Valley resource rich.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I feel as a father, my journey with my wife and children has been unclear, depleted of facts and very

stress full. I feel with my experience EMT and as Father can benefit my micro community of Autism and Mental health, With the drive to make it easier for the next family to navigate the system and improve their outcomes. I wish to serve on the committee to accomplish my goal of helping these family to know what steps to take. That there are facts that can help you and your family. It is still going to be stressful but there are resource to help with those stresses and fears. Having these resources available in Spanish, Hmong and English are crucial to the success of my mission.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My eagerness to be the student learning from the more senior committee members. My view on Mental Health and being a stay at home father of twins with extra needs can and to the diversity of the committee.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-542

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

School

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

The legal aspect of disabilities issues

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To make a difference for society of people with disabilities

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Better ideas to amend disabilities'issues



Redacted Membership Application

MM-543

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: Stanislaus

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?

I am a generally happy young man with a High School Diploma that I am very proud of. I take very good care of my fish and try to help my housemates whenever I can. I really like being able to speak up about people with disabilities and the issues that the folks that I live with are having. I am easily distracted, however, and need someone to help me stay on track. Often times my Prader Willi tendencies/symptoms can get in the way of what I want to say or do.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?

I want to be an advocate.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I truly enjoy advocating for myself and others. I have been on committee's before and had been a long-standing member of People First while residing at PDC. I also attended the quarterly Human Rights committee meetings with my fellow peers from the Secured Treatment Area. I held many positions in People First such as President, Vice President, and Secretary. I enjoy helping to plan our activities and events and helping to relay the minutes of the meetings to the folks that were living on my residence. I also held several positions in Unit Government and helped my peers' issues be addressed.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?

My strengths are that I am an outspoken person who enjoys making friends and helping them too. I enjoy group discussions and being able to contribute to the conversation. Being a role model is important to me. I speak English but I also know some Spanish and some sign language. I can read and write well. One of my biggest attributes is that I have a big heart and like to help others. I like making a contribution. I love horticulture and taking care of plants. My family and friends are very important to me.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-545

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Urvashi Patel from the Porterville Developmental Center contacted me asking if I was interested in having my name recommended for consideration by the Council.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Client rights - uniform implementation of the Law - Non-Institutional Placement whenever possible - Oversight of and assistance to community placements centers and specialized workplace environments. Increased coordination and assistance for family placement. Community coordination of available local services is of special interest to me.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Personally, I believe we can do better in providing support to persons with disabilities and make the available support negotiable to persons searching or needing assistance. Historically, I have served on State Boards in the area of Public Health and Health Education to better serve the clients and implement activities to support each county in serving the target population. As Deputy Director of the Child Health

and Disability Prevention Program working under the Shasta County Public Health Officer, I rose to chair the both the regional and State CHDP Boards. As a Mother and grandmother raising two grandsons I advocated for a daughter with Mental Health issues and one of her sons with developmental and intellectual delays coupled with being on the Autism spectrum. Possibly this background gives me a unique and informed experience that could be of assistance in reaching the goals of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

An understanding of the needs and complexities in both small and large counties in the large State of California. Coupled with this background in Statewide needs and personal understanding of the day to day trials of the developmentally disabled, their families or advocates in negotiating a system not easily accessed nor suited to their needs in my opinion. My goal would be to support the Council in reaching or forming goals to meet the needs of a very fragile population in a safe and effective way. Thank you for your consideration.

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Redacted Membership Application

MM-494

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

The continued efforts of the school district to deny students their rights to services has prompted me to join the efforts to force the district to stop moving funds intended for disability services to other departments that are not under federal guidelines.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I would like to advocate for those students and parents who are denied services to which they have a right under the federal and state government to receive in a public school setting.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

My expertise and first hand knowledge of how the District thwarts funding to other departments and

denies services to many students may accommodate more students in receiving the services needed to access a free and appropriate education.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a teacher who has seen the progress children can make when given the rights and services appropriate to their education, I know the importance of the students receiving services as soon as possible. As a facilitator/administrator I have witnessed the denial of access to parents of services to their children when the child was in dire need. My expertise and legal background can assist parents in their battle to clearly state what needs to be done to clear the blocks toward equal access to education.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-498

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My interest in and knowledge of the developmental disability field and service system began when I was growing up. My mother's brother is an adult with a developmental disability and I was always interested in improving the quality of his life, despite how much older he was than me, and how little I knew of his options (at that time). My interest expanded during my time with Department of Rehabilitation when I was employed as Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor and then Manager, and as the liaison to the local nonprofit agencies providing supported employment opportunities. I was also liaison to the local Regional Centers and began to gain extensive knowledge about the Lanterman Act and the Regional Center system.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interests are vast, but currently my main interests are in transition through employment and

independence. I am particularly passionate about housing opportunities, affordable housing options being available and growing as individuals desire this through independence, self-advocacy and self determination initiatives. I am also most interested in mental health and the impacts of social complexities of friendships, dating, romantic relationships and sexuality. Lastly, I am tremendously passionate about employment and employment opportunities, meaningful job and and career exploration as well as job carving, flexible schedules and concepts like working interviews.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I wish to service because I am involved at the local level with regards to parent disability advisory committees, and community partner disability advisory committees, and regional center employment advisory board(s), but would really like to having a larger, more widely span impact. I would like to share my knowledge, expertise, experience and voice as wide spread as need be.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I would bring my strengths of motivating others, empowering, encouraging, bringing equity minded thinking and considerations to the table, connecting people, collaborating, contributing new concepts or existing concepts in a new way, and listening with empathy. I am compassionate, a walking well of knowledge with a resource database at my fingertips. I enjoy working together as a team and building off the strengths of one another.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-499

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I worked with a non-profit agency called Community Access in Riverside County from 2001 to 2010. Some of my job duties were assisting people who have developmental disabilities and non disabled people with being independent. I have helped developmentally disabled people get out of nursing homes. I made sure they had the services they needed such as Regional Center , IHSS, etc. so they could live independently on their own. I continue to volunteer as an advocate since I have moved to Los Angeles County. My passion in life is to be the most effective advocate I can be. I have been a RACK member for the Los Angeles Advisory Committee since 2013.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interests are learning more on how I can make positive changes for developmentally disabled people

throughout the state. I want to work with new people to make these changes happen.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to share the knowledge I've learned with others. I want to be a voice for all the developmentally disabled people who are not able to be involved. I would also like to teach individuals without developmental disabilities the importance of our independence. As an advocate I always like to get involved with people to pass bills. As a disabled advocate I try to come up with solutions on how we can get things changed in a positive outcome.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As I mentioned before, I think one of my strengths are promoting independence and change for developmentally disabled people in many different ways. Some of these ways can be from living on your own , employment, or retirement for those developmentally disabled people who are able to work. I believe that everyone should have the right to achieve their goals and live the most productive life they can.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-507

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I am blessed to be the mother of a child with a developmental disability at age 14. I have first hand experience with services and challenges as well as resources and success stories. I am also the disability coordinator for Vernon Central LATTC WorkSource Center powered by CRCD. So, I understand the parent as well as a service provider angles.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

A part of my current job description is to provide employment services for participants who are interested in training or employment services. As a parent, with just 13 months with awareness of IEPs and special education for developmental disabilities; I am learning to manage the challenges of regional center and

school district about advocating for the best possible IEP.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Because the person who I love the most in this world deserves me to advocate for her needs. Because as a parent and disability coordinator, I know where the gaps and disconnections are. I am passionate about it but I am also realistic. I am 39 years old, when I was born there were still babies send to hospitals for long term care because they were born with a developmental disability. I want to make a difference and bring my first hand experience as a parent and a professional for taking steps to make a better quality life.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a parent with a teenager with Autism. I am disability coordinator for employment services. I have an Associates degree in Register Nursing yet to pass the license exam. My true passion is empowering people to reach their best from the level they are at. I don't expect miracles in no time. I work very hard to take baby steps to reach to a goal. I simply feel I do have something to contribute and to bring in.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-508

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race:

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son has a learning difference

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Special Education Rights

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to change the system. I want to be part of a new era of education for children with special education needs. I want to advocate for parents, students, and bring transparency to how IDEA/ FAPE is being handled by LEAs.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:
advocacy skills, compassion, legal background, facilitation



Redacted Membership Application

MM-513

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **los angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

i am an individual with a disability

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

people who need a voice

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

because i want to help people who need someone who understands their needs

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a well spoken person who knows when its time ti fight and when its time to be diplomatic and im always learning



Redacted Membership Application

MM-518

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

At first, I was interested because I have a developmental disability. I started seeing problems in services. I was recruited to join the Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center Consumer Advisory Committee. I did and I liked it. I wanted to make changes to improve services and everyday life for people with developmental disabilities. When I first started, I wanted to learn for myself – but I quickly saw that I needed to learn and share information in order to help other people with developmental disabilities. I've enjoyed learning about work plans, working with a team towards a common goal, doing the logistics and planning, and getting things done for the benefit of everyone, not just myself. My experience has grown from local issues to regional issues and I look forward to working with a statewide organization to see what I can do to help everyone.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in issues pertaining to health and safety, community safety, self-advocacy, self-determination, the Americans with Disabilities Act, people gaining more control over their lives and over who provides services to them, accessible housing, independent living, access to durable medical equipment, paratransit services, access to swimming, and communication. Lastly, I am very interested in health maintenance – exercising to maintain one’s physical, emotional, and spiritual health, especially to gain more control over your own behavior and avoid stress.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities because I want to help people with developmental disabilities both generally and to get the services they need; to get more information to learn and to share; and, to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. I enjoy advocating for others and I want to do so for the rest of my life because I see how people are happier when they have more control over their lives.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I never give up and always find another way to get something done. I recognize where the problems are and I’m good at talking and advocating. I enjoy and have experience in planning, organizing, and working as a team. I’m good at meeting people and networking. I follow through on my commitments. I don’t like leaving stuff for the last minute. I know how to get along well with people. I am fluent in English and Spanish.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-523

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee:

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

It started for me when I was in college, I would volunteer to take notes in class for those who were in college and going for their degree.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in motivating, training and encouraging those who are disable in whatever way I can assist them.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I am interested in helping and being an advocate in what ever way I can. I will stand beside them as an representative to make sure their voice is heard and they are respected and accepted in whatever they

are trying to achieve.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a person who's not afraid to speak up, I am a smart and strong individual who will stand with them in whatever way I can. I believe there is a place here for them in society and I will help them fight for their rights.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-532

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My interest developed as a young person in middle school who would volunteer and advocate for my peers who were in the special education classroom at my local school. After high school, I went on to become a paraprofessional while I worked on my undergrad degree and Masters degree. I obtained my Masters in Special Education and was a Special Education Teacher for LAUSD for 7 years. I am currently an out of state Special Education Doctoral candidate from the George Washington University.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

The use of 21st century skill development and the transition experience from high school to post-high school outcomes of young people with disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I would like serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities or one of the its Regional Advisory Committees because I would like to put my newly obtained knowledge to practice and and give back to my community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am very passionate about special education, public policy, and the use of 21st century technology to enrich the lives of all.

August 28, 2020

AGENDA ITEM 9.

ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Updated RAC and Local SDAC Policy

Members will review and consider revisions made to the RAC policy that incorporate compliance with the Council's zero tolerance policies. Members will also consider whether to adopt a similar policy for the Council-appointed Local SDAC members.

Recommendation

Adopt the revised RAC and Local SDAC Policy

Attachment(s)

RAC Policy with Proposed Changes

Proposed Local SDAC Policy



Policy Questions About the Regional Advisory Committees (RAC)

Key:

Bold= Policy Question

Plain text=Policy Adopted by the Council

Who is eligible to be a RAC member?

RACs should reflect the geographic, ethnic, and language diversity of the state, as described in statutes.

What about prior Area Board members?

Any Area Board member on December 31, 2014 may continue to serve on the RAC for that RO area until his/her term expires.

Who cannot be a member of a RAC?

Sitting SCDD Council members cannot be also be members of the RAC. Councilmembers from a region are required to participate in his or her local RAC.

Any member of a Regional Center Governing Board, or a committee of a Regional Center Governing Board (excluding Self-Determination Advisory Committees and Self-Advocate Advisory Committees), shall not be eligible to serve on a SCDD Regional Advisory Committee.

How many members will the RAC have?

The goal is for each RAC to have 9-15 members, based on need, geographic area covered, or population. The Council's Membership Committee may determine the total number between 9 and 15 based on need and recommendations from the Regional Office and RAC. The RACs that inherited more than 15 members may reach the maximum number through attrition as the initial members terms expire.

Should every county be represented?

The RAC should have at least one member from each county in the RAC's region.

Are there other limitations on membership?

Providers are allowed to be members of a RAC. Providers are not to be more than 25% of total RAC membership.

What's the self-advocate percentage representation on each RAC?

At least 35% of RAC members shall be self-advocates. At least 35% of RAC members shall be family-advocates. The remaining 30% shall be self-advocates, family advocates, or other.

Will there be term limits?

Each RAC member serves at the pleasure of the Council. Each individual is eligible for two 3-year terms. The term limits begin anew as of January 1, 2015

What is the attendance policy for RAC members?

If a member of a RAC has unexcused absences for more than 25% of the RAC meetings within a calendar year, the member shall be considered as having ceased to discharge the duties of RAC membership.

What about conflicts of interest?

While it is not anticipated that RAC members will be making governmental decisions, if that happens and an individual has a conflict, that individual is expected to not be a part of the conversation or decision for that item.

RAC Membership Appointments

- Each RAC and RO can forward names to the SCDD Membership Committee for consideration.
- Each RAC may have its own Membership Committee for purposes of identifying and recruiting potential members and referring them to SCDD Membership Committee for consideration of referral to the SCDD.
- The SCDD Membership Committee will create a standardized application form/process.
- The SCDD Membership Committee makes appointments to the RACs.

What are the officers of the RAC?

RAC members shall elect a Chair and a Vice Chair from among its membership. The role of the Chair and Vice Chair is to run the RAC meetings.

What subcommittees may a RAC have?

A RAC may convene a Membership Committee for the purpose of screening and making recommendations to the Council's Membership Committee on candidates for the RAC.

Member Conduct

Each member of a RAC shall comply with the Council's Zero-Tolerance Policies which include:

- Discrimination
- Drug Free Workplace Statement
- Sexual Harassment
- Unprofessional Conduct
- Workplace Violence Prevention

A copy of these policies will be provided to the member upon appointment.

What is the role of the RAC?

Per statute, the role of the RAC is to:

- Advise SCDD and its RO on local issues and identify and provide input regarding local systemic needs within its communities;
- Provide input and be a source for data for the SCDD to consider in the formulation of the state plan;
- Provide public information programs for consumers, families, professional groups, and the general public to increase professional and public awareness of areas identified within the state plan;
- Engage in other activities as requested by SCDD.

The RAC may make recommendations to the Council. The RAC may not take positions independent of the Council.

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Policy Questions About the Local Self-Determination Advisory Committees (SDAC)

Who is responsible for appointing Local SDAC members?

The regional center and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council) shall each appoint one-half of the membership of the committee.

Who is eligible to be appointed by SCDD (Council) to a Local SDAC?

The Council may appoint regional center consumers, family members, other advocates, and community leaders.

What is the role of the Local SDAC?

Per statute, the role of the Local SDAC shall be to review 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, and may make ongoing recommendations for improvement to the regional center and DDS.

How many members will the Local SDAC have?

Each regional center shall determine the size of the Local SDAC.

Are there other limitations on membership?

A majority of the Local SDAC shall be consumers and their family members. The committee shall reflect the multicultural diversity and geographic profile of the catchment area.

Will there be term limits?

Each Council-appointed Local SDAC member serves at the pleasure of the Council. Each individual is eligible for two 3-year terms.

What is the attendance policy for Local SDAC members?

If a Council-appointed member of a Local SDAC has unexcused absences for more than 25% of the SDAC meetings within a calendar year, the member shall be considered as having ceased to discharge the duties of their membership.

What about conflicts of interest?

Members must recuse themselves from discussion and votes on any matter that would provide direct financial benefit to the member or otherwise give the appearance of a conflict of interest.

Member Conduct

Each Council-appointed member of a Local SDAC shall comply with the Council's Zero-Tolerance Policies which include:

- Discrimination
- Drug Free Workplace Statement
- Sexual Harassment
- Unprofessional Conduct
- Workplace Violence Prevention

A copy of these policies will be provided to the member upon appointment.

Local SDAC Council-Appointed Membership Process

- Candidates complete an online application which is forwarded to the SCDD Membership Committee for consideration.
- The Council's Membership Committee appoints applicants, regardless of whether a vacancy exists. If there is not a current vacancy, the selected candidate becomes active once a vacancy occurs on their local committee. In the interim, the candidate is encouraged to participate as members of the public to stay engaged.

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**AGENDA ITEM 10.
INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE**

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Roster

Members will be provided the most recent RAC roster in order to review vacancies and upcoming expiring terms.

Attachments

RAC Roster

Regional Advisory Committee
Membership Roster (updated 12/02/2019)

NCRO RAC 12 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Hank	Smith	FA	White	Lake	7/19/2019
Clyde	Pomeroy	SA		Humboldt	7/19/2019
Kara	Ponton	SA	White	Humboldt	8/28/2021
Debra	Ponton	FA	White	Humboldt	1/14/2022
Cathy	Lawrence	Public	White	Mendocino	1/14/2022
Nathaniel	Florez	SA	White/Hispanic	Mendocino	1/14/2022

NSRO RAC 11 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Stephen	Concklin	FA	White	Siskiyou	4/19/2022
Delia	Rios	FA	Hispanic	Shasta	4/19/2022
Teresa	Moshier	SA	White	Butte	3/6/2020
Marcia	Cracker	FA	White	Butte	5/7/2022
Thomas	Cox	CA	White	Glenn	5/7/2022

SACRO RAC 15 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Tony	Biondi	SA	White	Sacramento	4/19/2022
Joyce	McNair	FA	African Am.	Sacramento	4/19/2022
Tyson	Whitman	SA	White	Sacramento	4/19/2022
Colleen	Moss	FA	White	Placer	4/19/2022
Karen	Mulvany	FA	White	El Dorado	4/19/2022
Christine	Hickey	FA	White	Sutter	4/19/2022
Nancy	Esparza	SA	Hispanic	Sacramento	4/19/2022
Brandy	Boyd	FA	Asian/White	Sacramento	4/19/2022
Elaine	Linn	FA	White	Sacramento	12/5/2020
Jesana	Tran	FA	Hispanic	Sutter	12/5/2020
Donnell	Kenworthy	FA	White	Yolo	8/28/2021
Jane	Taylor	FA	White	Nevada	8/28/2021
Glenda	Servantes	FA	Hispanic	Yuba	1/30/2021
Nathalie	Gray	SA	m. Indian/Nat. Alaska	Sacramento	11/12/2022
Michael	Helton	SA	White	Sacramento	11/12/2022
Kidada	Medina	FA	Hispanic, African Am, E. I	Sacramento	11/12/2022
Midhun	Tripuraneni	SA	Asian Indian	Sacramento	11/12/2022

NBRO RAC 15 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Chen	Curtiss	SA	Asian/African Am.	Solano	4/19/2022
Ellen	Sweigert	SA	White	Napa	4/19/2022
Sonia	Jones	SA	African Am.	Solano	4/19/2022
Maria	Avina	FA	Hispanic	Sonoma	4/19/2022
Ana	Uribe	FA	Hispanic	Solano	4/19/2022
Daphne	Dunstan	FA	Asian	Solano	4/19/2022
Angela	Zamora	FA	Hispanic	Solano	4/19/2022
Arletha	Angeles	FA	Asian	Solano	4/19/2022
Zoe	Bartholomew	CA	African Am.	Solano	4/19/2022

**Regional Advisory Committee
Membership Roster (updated 12/02/2019)**

Donna	Martinez	FA	White	Sonoma	1/14/2022
Bobby	Craig	FA	White	Solano	11/12/2022

BARO RAC 15 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Dianne	Millner	FA	African Am	Alameda	7/19/2022
Pamela	Perls	FA	White	Contra Costa	7/19/2022
Regina	Woodliff	SA	White	Contra Costa	3/6/2020
Sascha	Bittner	SA	White	San Francisco	3/6/2020
Francisco	Garcia	FA	Hispanic	Alameda	3/6/2020
Christina	Lasson	SA	White	Alameda	12/5/2020
Catherine	Rauch	FA	White	Alameda	10/6/2022
John	Marble	SA	White	San Francisco	8/28/2021
Elizabeth	Grigsby	SA	African Am	San Francisco	8/28/2021
Janet	Miller	FA	White	Marin	8/28/2021
Marla	Silversmith	FA	White	Alameda	1/14/2022

NVHRO RAC 9-11 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Gary	Del Nero	FA	White	Stanislaus	7/19/2022
Amy	Terra	CA	Hispanic	San Joaquin	7/19/2022
Eric	Ybarra	SA	Hispanic	San Joaquin	7/19/2022
Karen	Andersen	CA	White	San Joaquin	7/19/2022
Arthur	Valdez	FA	Hispanic	San Joaquin	7/19/2022
Crystal	Enyeart	SA	White	Amador	7/19/2022
Jayne	Flores	SA	AI, Asian, Hispanic	Tuolumne	3/6/2020
Virginia	Sanchez	FA	Hispanic	San Joaquin	3/6/2020
Kerstin	Williams	SA	African-American	San Joaquin	3/6/2020
Janine	Schumann	FA	White	Calveras	1/14/2022

SEQRO RAC 11 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Loretta	Milne	FA	White	Mariposa	4/19/2022
Richard	Sowers	CA	White	Fresno	3/6/2020
Susan	Wells	CA	White	Kern	3/6/2020
Sherry	Huggins	FA	African American	Fresno	3/6/2020
Rebecca	Donabed	SA	White	Tulare	8/28/2021
Michael	Esquibel	SA	Hispanic	Tulare	11/12/2022
Thao	Tran	FA	Asian	Fresno	11/12/2022

CCRO RAC 15 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Susan Lindsey	Baker	FA	White	Santa Barbara	3/6/2020
Elisa	Lagana	FA	White	Monterey	3/6/2020
Mary	Peitso	FA	White	Monterey	3/6/2020
David	Forderer	SA	White	Santa Clara	8/28/2021
Kathy	Tanner	FA	White	Monterey	8/28/2021

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Membership Roster (updated 12/02/2019)

Jonathan	Gush	Public	White	Ventura	11/12/2022
Sigrid	Bremer	SA	White	Ventura	11/12/2022
Michelle	Padilla	SA	White	Ventura	11/12/2022

LARO RAC 15 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Miriam	Kang	FA	White	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
Harold	Fujita	FA	Asian	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
Alnita	Dunn	CA	African Am	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
Ellen	Jannol	FA	White	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
Julie	Gaona	SA	White	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
Cathay	Liu	FA	Asian	Los Angeles	3/6/2020
Allison	Cameron Gray	SA	White	Los Angeles	3/6/2020
Anahid	Kademian	FA	Armenian	Los Angeles	8/28/2021
Margaret	Barcelo	SA	Hispanic	Los Angeles	1/14/2022
Kathleen	Barajas	SA	Hispanic	Los Angeles	1/14/2022

OCRO RAC 12 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Karen	Millender	FA	White	Orange	7/19/2022
Rev. Dawn	Anderson Booth	FA	White	Orange	7/19/2022
Hyun	Park	CA	Asian/Hispanic	Orange	7/19/2022
Ann	McClellan	SA	White	Orange	7/19/2022
Kyle	Minnis	SA	White	Orange	7/19/2022
Rachel	Osterbach	SA	White	Orange	7/19/2022
Michael	Rillera	FA	Asian	Orange	7/19/2022
Cecilia	Mercado	FA	Hispanic	Orange	12/5/2020
Lisa	Stanton	FA	White	Orange	7/19/2022
Andrew	Smith	SA	White	Orange	11/12/2022

SBRO RAC 15 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date
Ernie	Saldana	FA	Hispanic	Riverside	7/19/2022
Maia	Pawooskar	FA	Asian	San Bernardino	7/19/2022
Douglas	Perkins	FA	African Am	San Bernardino	3/6/2020
Cristina	Christenson-Rockwe	FA	White	Mono	3/6/2020
Cynthia	Cox	FA	White	Inyo	12/5/2020
Lannette	Hollowell	SA	White	San Bernardino	8/28/2021
Cathy	Rosas	FA	Hispanic	Riverside	8/28/2021
Carmela	Garnica	FA	Hispanic	Riverside	8/28/2021
Reginald	Davis	SA	African Am	Riverside	11/12/2022
Ronald	Allan	SA	White	Riverside	5/7/2022
Violet	Arellano	FA	Hispanic	Riverside	5/7/2022
Kimberly	Risser	SA	White	San Bernardino	5/7/2022

SDIRO RAC 15 MEMBERS					
First Name	Last Name	Status	Race	County	Expiration Date

**Regional Advisory Committee
Membership Roster (updated 12/02/2019)**

Susan	Madison	SA	White	San Diego	4/19/2022
Dayon	Higgins	FA	Asian	San Diego	4/19/2022
David	Jespersen	FA	White	San Diego	4/19/2022
Nancy	Vogel	FA	Am. Indian/Asian	San Diego	4/19/2022
Leticia	Galvan	FA	Hispanic	San Diego	3/6/2020
Harvey	Goldman	FA	White	San Diego	3/6/2020
Marta	Leyva	SA/OTH	Hispanic	San Diego	3/6/2020
Melissa	Cenizu	FA	Hispanic	Imperial	3/6/2020
James	Walker	SA	White	San Diego	11/12/2022
Nicole	Brobeck	SA	White	San Diego	11/12/2022

August 28, 2020

AGENDA ITEM 11.

ACTION ITEM

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENT
AL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

***Review RAC Applications for Vacancies and Expiring 1st Terms and
Member Performance***

The Committee will review and appoint members to the following RACs. The Committee will also review the RAC Policy Questions pertaining to member performance/attendance to determine whether RAC members are complying.

- a. North Coast Regional Advisory Committee
- b. North State Regional Advisory Committee
- c. Sacramento Regional Advisory Committee
- d. North Bay Regional Advisory Committee
- e. Bay Area Regional Advisory Committee
- f. North Valley Hills Regional Advisory Committee
- g. Central Coast Regional Advisory Committee
- h. Sequoia Regional Advisory Committee
- i. Los Angeles Regional Advisory Committee
- j. Orange County Regional Advisory Committee
- k. San Bernardino Regional Advisory Committee
- l. San Diego Regional Advisory Committee

Recommendation

Appoint manager-recommended members to the regional advisory committees listed above.

Attachment(s)

Regional Advisory Committee Applications

Bay Area Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-514

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Mateo**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Worked for 7 years in special education. Now have a granddaughter with needs.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

To make services available for all with needs without a hassle

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Perhaps I have some insight being disabled myself. And perhaps I can do some good

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My intelligence and experience.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-515

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Alameda**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I began working with individuals with developmental and other disabilities as a teenager when I began volunteering at the Foundation for Blind Children (Phoenix, AZ). My interest in working with this population grew as I continued finding other ways to engage - from respite care provider to camp counselor to special educator. Now, as a faculty member at Cal State East Bay, I have the privilege of training special educators for the East Bay area and am able to influence the classrooms they currently work in or will work in in the future. I tried having a different career at one point, but could not stay away from working with individuals with developmental and other disabilities.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in supporting independence and self-advocacy of individuals with developmental

disabilities. I am also interested in training effective support providers, though mainly working with educators in schools.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I wish to support the SCDD by serving on the state council or on a Regional Advisory Committee. I recently became more aware of the work the SCDD does after attending a training in Southern California where I was trained to provide sexuality education to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As I have gotten to know the work of the SCDD, I have begun to realize I would like to support the work and the advocacy mission of the SCDD.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I have a vast amount of experience working on committees. From working on committees at the university level to working on community committees, I have learned leadership skills and the organization needed to work toward the goals and mission of each committee. I have knowledge of preparing educators to work with individuals with developmental disabilities, I have years of experience working with the population in various capacities, and I have a passion for serving and supporting the population.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-533

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Marin**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Having a daughter with Down syndrome was a catalyst for my involvement in the disability field. In 2012, I created a nonprofit organization that creates free reading and sign language educational applications.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I was a social worker at Easter Seals, a librarian and a teacher. Currently I am a software developer focused on providing free communications apps. I am also greatly interested in increasing the awareness and acceptance of individuals with disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Individuals with disabilities have the right to the same services and programs as the rest of the community. Too often, they are excluded from activities because they are misunderstood and underestimated.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I have a positive can-do attitude. I am also tenacious and hard-working. I have dedicated my efforts through my nonprofit www.GraceSigns.org and recognize this as an opportunity to do even more. I could be helpful by using my educational tech skills, my nonprofit knowledge and my experience as a parent of a child with Down syndrome to expand on my commitment to individuals with developmental disabilities regionally and/or on a state level.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-534

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Alameda**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Initially, my daughter, who was born with a brain tumor and who's successfully treatment left her with global developmental delays, thrust me into the world of disabilities and social services. Since then, I have become a special-ed advocate and Independent Facilitator for the Self-Determination program

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Self-Determination, Independent Facilitation, Special-Ed, IHSS, Medi-Cal, CCS, Department of Rehab

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I feel like I am an excellent creative thinker and a passionate believer in the Self-Determination Program, and would serve these committees well as a father of a Regional Center client, as an Independent Facilitator serving 6 Regional Centers, and as a thoughtful and passionate public advocate

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

A knowledge of the multiple major social service systems in California, an entrepreneurial background, personal experience as a father and primary stay-at-home parent of a regional center client, Personal, Client and Public Advocacy experience

Central Coast Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-521

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Santa Clara**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My Child has a developmental Disability - ASD

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interest is in exploring avenues, opportunities for learning, work, service and building allies for those in the developmentally disabled community. While there is great work being done already in this country, as a parent, a caregiver, and a member of an organization that works with developmentally different individuals, I have learned that there is tremendous scope for improvement in the areas of addressing cultural disparities when it comes to service delivery, for "out of the box" thinking in facilitating the true integration of this population into our mainstream community.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I have learned a lot from my experience as a special needs parent, as an immigrant into this country, with all the cultural stigma associated to seeking support for my child and I believe that this country and the systems it has in place to serve this population is unique and commendable. I have had the good fortune of serving on the Self Determination Advisory Committee at the San Andreas Regional Center. It has given me incredible insight into the challenges and opportunities that are available to individuals like my daughter. I also am part of an organization that is founded on the principle of integration and inclusion by building an army of allies for our developmentally different community. I believe that I can add a lot of value to this council/ committee from a creative-thinking angle, a cultural outreach and immigrant perspective along with parental insight.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

All my wisdom skills (which form the basis of our Ally Support program) such as Empathy, Mindfulness, Ego Transcendence, Emotional Intelligence, Humility
Creative Thinking - known for my "can do" attitude and "out of the box" thinking
Relentlessness - "Never say die" positive mental attitude
Marketing and PR expertise
Communication Skills (both Oratorical and Written)
Innovation - Novel ideas, thoughts, Concepts to better support the integration and thriving of individuals with disabilities.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-522

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council:

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have always been civically engaged and active within my community. I attest this desire to give back and volunteer because of my background growing up as a low income student and being a first generation college student. Although I have overcome adversity and been deemed successful, I acknowledge and understand that my accomplishments would not be possible without the support and encouragement from influential and supportive people in my life. Therefore, I feel it is my ethical responsibility to be civically engaged and give back, when I am available and capable. My interest and knowledge of the developmental field and service system developed when my nephew was diagnosed at the age of two with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Even before his diagnosis, I was an involved uncle as I love children. However, after his diagnosis, my involvement grew and intensified as I sought out

resources and services to ensure that he would have the best opportunity to develop, grow, and thrive as much as possible. By working in the field on behalf of my nephew and family, I witness first hand the disparities that exist in various fields and systems, such as education and medicine. With my own knowledge and experience, I would like to continue my growth and development for my nephew, other families, and the community in order to help them navigate similar and dire predicaments.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Currently, my interests are: early intervention services, grade and secondary school, self-advocacy, and housing. Within these areas, I believe that there can be more growth and improvement as individuals with disabilities are often treated as second class citizens and often invisible within our society. By improving the aforementioned areas, I believe that individuals with disabilities can be a forethought and be better integrated in our society which would increase visibility, compassion, and understanding.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disability in the Regional Advisory Committee in order to be an active participant and contributor to change. Through serving on the Regional Advisory Committee, I will have the opportunity to work with a diverse group of constituents who are both passionate and dedicated to improving outcomes and the quality of life for individuals with disabilities. Additionally, it will also be a setting for me to learn, grow, and develop interpersonally and professionally as I navigate the system for my nephew and share this information with other families in need simultaneously.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

On the Regional Advisory Committee, I would bring my strong communication skills, both written and verbal. Additionally, I am a strong critical and analytical thinker who is capable and comfortable working individually or collaboratively. I am a servant leader who welcomes insight and voices from others to ensure that my work is reflective of community needs and desires.

Los Angeles

Regional Advisory

Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-507

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I am blessed to be the mother of a child with a developmental disability at age 14. I have first hand experience with services and challenges as well as resources and success stories. I am also the disability coordinator for Vernon Central LATTC WorkSource Center powered by CRCD. So, I understand the parent as well as a service provider angles.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

A part of my current job description is to provide employment services for participants who are interested in training or employment services. As a parent, with just 13 months with awareness of IEPs and special education for developmental disabilities; I am learning to manage the challenges of regional center and

school district about advocating for the best possible IEP.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Because the person who I love the most in this world deserves me to advocate for her needs. Because as a parent and disability coordinator, I know where the gaps and disconnections are. I am passionate about it but I am also realistic. I am 39 years old, when I was born there were still babies send to hospitals for long term care because they were born with a developmental disability. I want to make a difference and bring my first hand experience as a parent and a professional for taking steps to make a better quality life.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a parent with a teenager with Autism. I am disability coordinator for employment services. I have an Associates degree in Register Nursing yet to pass the license exam. My true passion is empowering people to reach their best from the level they are at. I don't expect miracles in no time. I work very hard to take baby steps to reach to a goal. I simply feel I do have something to contribute and to bring in.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-508

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race:

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son has a learning difference

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Special Education Rights

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to change the system. I want to be part of a new era of education for children with special education needs. I want to advocate for parents, students, and bring transparency to how IDEA/ FAPE is being handled by LEAs.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:
advocacy skills, compassion, legal background, facilitation



Redacted Membership Application

MM-513

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **los angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

i am an individual with a disability

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

people who need a voice

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

because i want to help people who need someone who understands their needs

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a well spoken person who knows when its time ti fight and when its time to be diplomatic and im always learning



Redacted Membership Application

MM-525

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council:

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son has Fragile X Syndrome and is now 29 years old. Prior to that I did volunteer work with blind and disabled children. I started the Fragile X Assoc of So CA 25 years ago with assistance from Dr Barbara Wheeler of the UAP at CHLA. I was trained by Lanterman Regional Center to be a peer support partner and have supported many families over the years. I also was trained and worked as a licensed Physical Therapy Assistant. I worked for the Burbank Unified School District as a Special education substitute aide for all grades and levels. I also have a preschool teaching certificate and have many college units in Early Childhood Development. I worked privately for a family as an inclusion assistant for their child from age 3 to 12 years of age.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Helping families navigate the system and identify resources they can access. I am also interested in the political process to get needed supports for this community to access housing, employment and education.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I am now recently retired and have the time now to broaden my advocacy work to the next level.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am a grassroots organizer and have the ability to connect with families in my county and beyond through my association with Fragile X of SoCa and other agencies. I have many years of experience with the ID community.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-532

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My interest developed as a young person in middle school who would volunteer and advocate for my peers who were in the special education classroom at my local school. After high school, I went on to become a paraprofessional while I worked on my undergrad degree and Masters degree. I obtained my Masters in Special Education and was a Special Education Teacher for LAUSD for 7 years. I am currently an out of state Special Education Doctoral candidate from the George Washington University.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

The use of 21st century skill development and the transition experience from high school to post-high school outcomes of young people with disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I would like serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities or one of the its Regional Advisory Committees because I would like to put my newly obtained knowledge to practice and and give back to my community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am very passionate about special education, public policy, and the use of 21st century technology to enrich the lives of all.

North Bay Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-472

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sonoma**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My sister's has a had a rare disability her entire life that has not been understand except by doctors & made life extremely difficult to this day.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Not letting people fall through the cracks, cared for properly & accountability of those in charge, such as case workers allowing clients to be mistreated and/or taken advantage of such as my sister has.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Being a part of making the life's the best quality that they can be & providing families a security that their

loved ones will continue the same care even after they pass or in circumstances they can no longer look over the disabled family member.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My ability to analyze every detail of situations & evaluating when my own knowledge is not enough. Understanding the importance of each persons medical conditions that may effect their disability that may cause new or heighten conditions that require new professional in depth evaluations. Something that is missing in clients care now.

North Coast Regional Advisory Committee Candidates

North State Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-516

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Shasta**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I think there is a serious need for advocacy in the north state for the younger parents of the general population who have children with disabilities who may not be aware of what is available to them. I am studying early childhood development specializing in special needs and a mother of 2 young children, one with ASD and another going through early intervention. My passion is to inform families and help where I can so children have a greater chance at taking on the many challenges of the world.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Advocacy. Early Intervention. Giving information to the small/rural areas of CA. Community outreach.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on

one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to help make a difference in the lives of our next generation. The rise of developmental delays and disabilities is serious, and I believe we need to help people change learn about the importance of early childhood development and also help to change their views and help develop new open minded ways of thinking so we can work towards total inclusion and acceptance for all. We need more advocates in the rural communities who are aware of the services available who can also reach out and give information on a personable level.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Networking in the north state. Avid Researcher. Mom/advocate for those who can't advocate for themselves. I've gone through the process myself and I already currently give all the information I am constantly learning and pass it along to others who are in need of help.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-517

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council:

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

very well

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

very well

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

i go to the North State Rac meetings

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

providing information



Redacted Membership Application

MM-530

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Butte**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council:

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I am a person with a developmental disability and became familiar with the service system as a child. I am a strong self-advocate and believe that people deserve to be independent and part of their community no matter what. As I moved into adulthood, I participated in leadership positions through community committees, Butte College, People First, Statewide Self-Advocacy Network and represented the North State Region as a Council member for the State Council on Developmental Disabilities for 6 years and became Vice-Chair of the Council. I remain involved in the local Self-Determination Advisory Committee and was recently elected as Chair by the members. I'm honored to represent the developmental disability community in my region.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in employment, self-determination, self-advocacy and helping families with children with I/DD to better succeed in school and in life. I want people to learn to have a voice to and avoid people taking away their rights.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to be a voice for others and support them in finding the strength in themselves to exercise their rights and have their own voice. I want to continue to learn about new programs, resources and information that empowers people with I/DD.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My experience on the State Council has taught me how to be a voice for others and encourage people to go for their dreams. I am dedicated, interested, flexible and ready to help out any way I can for people with I/DD.

North Valley Hills Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-543

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: Stanislaus

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?

I am a generally happy young man with a High School Diploma that I am very proud of. I take very good care of my fish and try to help my housemates whenever I can. I really like being able to speak up about people with disabilities and the issues that the folks that I live with are having. I am easily distracted, however, and need someone to help me stay on track. Often times my Prader Willi tendencies/symptoms can get in the way of what I want to say or do.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?

I want to be an advocate.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I truly enjoy advocating for myself and others. I have been on committee's before and had been a long-standing member of People First while residing at PDC. I also attended the quarterly Human Rights committee meetings with my fellow peers from the Secured Treatment Area. I held many positions in People First such as President, Vice President, and Secretary. I enjoy helping to plan our activities and events and helping to relay the minutes of the meetings to the folks that were living on my residence. I also held several positions in Unit Government and helped my peers' issues be addressed.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?

My strengths are that I am an outspoken person who enjoys making friends and helping them too. I enjoy group discussions and being able to contribute to the conversation. Being a role model is important to me. I speak English but I also know some Spanish and some sign language. I can read and write well. One of my biggest attributes is that I have a big heart and like to help others. I like making a contribution. I love horticulture and taking care of plants. My family and friends are very important to me.

Orange County Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-502

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Having a child with a disability naturally developed my interest within the field, but my passion developed throughout our journey when meeting other parents, students and providers.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in the field as a whole, but my passion is specifically in education. Least restrictive environment, inclusion, access to curriculum, social-emotional support, IEP, after school activities, instructional aids to name a few; this would include staff, parent, and student training on all of these areas. Our community is not separated by disabilities, our classrooms shouldn't be either.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on

one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I have always been advocate for my son, but would like the opportunity to be an advocate for all persons with developmental disabilities and serve in a capacity where I can increase community awareness, encourage community participation and support systematic changes to improve the lives of our community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a parent of a special needs child, I bring first hand knowledge and experience of our systems of support. Additionally, I have participated in the development of support groups for parents and have had the opportunity to work alongside Community Based Instruction teachers to develop inclusion activities. In my professional career, I train new staff members on special education, including IEPs and 504s. I have participated in trainings that have equipped me with the knowledge to help and support others, most recently "Inclusive Practices in Education".

Sacramento

Regional Advisory

Committee Candidates

San Bernardino Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-503

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian, Hispanic or Latino

I am a:

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council:

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

By attending monthly meetings for the inland empire disabilities collaborative

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Disaster preparedness self advocacy peer mentoring

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Because I believe everyone should be apart of the change to improve changes for people with disabilities and their families I lived with disabilities all my life no one gave up on me and I wish to give back by serving

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Strong morals and leadership consistency inspirational ambitious excellent speaking skills



Redacted Membership Application

MM-511

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Riverside**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My grandson was born with Down's Syndrome and there are limited resources available.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Create more resources for parents, family members and caregivers affected with developmental disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To help those needing or requesting resources and guidance within our city/state with the necessary tools

in coping and making decisions for their loved one(s).

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Born and raised in California. Retired from Kaiser after 19 years of service working with the public and being able to help those in need of services and attention. Grandparent to 5; one with Down's Syndrome.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-542

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

School

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

The legal aspect of disabilities issues

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To make a difference for society of people with disabilities

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Better ideas to amend disabilities'issues

San Diego/Imperial

Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-506

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

As a parent of two kids with developmental disabilities

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Obesity prevention. Chronic Diseases in this community. Awareness and Education to them, their schools, community and caregivers. As well as institutions. And the Medical Community.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to be the voice of my kids. For what I had learned thru the years; I can bring and look out for solutions to these important issues. We all are living longer, but I don't know if my 30 year old and my 17

year old would. We all deserve equal end of life with no chronic diseases. We need MORE prevention on this issue.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a parent of a young man living in a group home, I can share some of the changes I had help the group home do to increase my son's chances to live a longer and healthier life. Being an advocate for my two sons with their own unique needs. I want to be part of their voice.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-510

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego County**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council:

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have twin daughters with varying levels of disability.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Independent/supportive living, supported employment, supported social/physical recreation and mental health access to care.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I have been volunteering and serving on volunteer boards in several different capacities since my daughters were in kindergarten. These were mixed between education, medical and athletic

organizations serving all students, or specific needs of families and children with medical needs and developmental physical disabilities. Now that my daughters are transitioning towards adulthood and independence, I would like to focus my volunteer activities on individuals with disabilities and help inform and shape the policies that will better their lives.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I have 13 years experience in non-profit community service, advocacy and elected board service. I have several years experience in mental health conference organization and outreach. I am a founding member of a non-profit dedicated to serving individuals with varying ability levels and providing access to adaptive athletics. I have almost 18 years of parenting twins with varying levels of physical, emotional and developmental disabilities and navigating the challenges that this requires. I am interested in and willing to see things from different perspectives but am able to make informed decisions and maintain a consistent attendance and voting record.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-519

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability, representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have worked for and served person with developmental disabilities my entire life as an advocate and a professional.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Leadership, self-determination, employment, and transition from school to adult life, and systems change

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I see a huge need to address systems change to promote representation, leadership and employment of persons with developmental disabilities by organizations that serve their needs. I live in CA which has the

largest population of persons with developmental disabilities. I feel it is a personal responsibility as a person with a developmental disability to focus on my home state and region. I have skills and experience that I should be sharing and contributing.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My experience as a community advocate, my professional experience, my experience as a person with a developmental disability and my personal and professional resources and technical skills. I have extensive experience working with and for persons with developmental disabilities including as a presenter for Partners in Policymaking. I have a history of advocating for and with persons with all types of disabilities.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-524

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a 22 year old daughter with Down syndrome

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Adult education

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I am a mother, advocate, coach and teacher of disabled students so I fully understand the Issues and complexities facing people with disabilities.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Teacher, coach, leader, knowledgeable, personable



Redacted Membership Application

MM-526

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

As an educator for 15 years I have worked closely with students and families living with developmental disabilities. I am also a parent of a child with a developmental disability and understand the intricacies of their needs.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My areas of interest are providing individuals with access to resources in order for them to develop to their maximum capability. During my doctoral studies, my emphasis was on individuals with disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I wish to serve on the committee to develop a greater understanding and to collaborate with others to serve this community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My biggest strength is that I have personal and professional experiences with children and families with developmental disabilities. I have a deep understanding of the needs both at home, in the community, and in our greater society.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-527

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

As a mother of an adult son with multiple disabilities, as well as a former special education teacher and school principal, I have been engaged in the field of developmental disabilities for over 20 years. Additionally, I have served as a mentor to parents who have children with similar disabilities. I've also been part of a Medical Education Program where new medical residents spent time with us at our home to learn about how we care for our children with disabilities.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I have several areas of interest in the developmental disability field. My primary interests are in public policy, education, accessibility and healthcare.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

As a parent and former public school principal and teacher, I believe I offer a unique perspective that combines public policy awareness with first-hand knowledge of the challenges that special needs families experience every day. I'm eager to contribute my time and energy to the SCDD.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

One of my areas of strength is preparing and delivering presentations to large groups of stakeholders. As a parent and educator, I have first-hand knowledge of the importance of early intervention and the benefits of inclusion and numerous ways to implement these policies. Additionally, I have experience providing accessibility insight to architects for outdoor and indoor facilities on several school sites to benefit all people. Many times I have been able to bring projects to completion by creating a team of key stakeholders who have the insight to and expertise to complete the mission.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-528

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I work with disabled and they want up front news updates that they cant attend as easily as I can

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Covid-19

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

It will help our jobs and community be ready for new ways in training for work n new lives with virus

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I wont be late..n can help where ever needed



Redacted Membership Application

MM-529

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

In my work with the U.S. Census Bureau I have been in frequent contact with Mary Ellen Stives who works for the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, she referred me.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I have a professional background in education and I also have a 7 year old son with Autism. I would like to do all I can to ensure inclusiveness for those with developmental disabilities.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to do all that is in my power to advocate for individuals with developmental disabilities within

Imperial County and beyond.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a Partnership Specialist with the U.S. Census Bureau I have many connections in Imperial County that have helped me advocate for a complete count for the 2020 Census. I can use those connections to help advocate for the developmentally disabled here. I also have a background as a classroom teacher and I have first hand knowledge of what our education system is like for children with disabilities. I can use these strengths to advocate with the State Council.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-531

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I am a Parent of 2 with ASD. I retired early as a Paramedic to become my children's Advocate.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Recreations for special needs community.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

Be the necessary and positive change in our under serviced Imperial County special needs community.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Never ending energy and passion for advocacy.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-536

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a child with Autism and ADHD

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Becoming a stronger advocate for my child. Also gaining knowledge on his rights. Seeking the right services for my child and to help others.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To be a voice

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I have a strong will to help others



Redacted Membership Application

MM-537

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial County**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Self-Advocacy . empowering individuals with Disabilities.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Providing services to improve disabled people lives.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To provide support to maximize community and family inclusion.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Representing and supporting each person's independence while preserving the dignity of all individuals and respecting their constitutional and civil rights.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-539

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Imperial**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

First, I got my college degree in Psychology and always wanted to continue my career in Special Education path. Then, when I had kids, I learned So much more through San Diego Regional Center IV. My children are receive services through them, since 2 of my 3 kids were diagnosed with Autism. My oldest one is now 11 years old. I also volunteer with a group of children with different diagnoses in coaching them for sports, dance, and many other activities.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Learning more about special needs and helping parents with children with special needs. I have volunteered to coach sports for children with special needs here in the Imperial Valley. I want to be able to help them, be resourceful and have the knowledge to guide them through their paths. I also would be

interested in the services in order to prepare for my own 2 kids when they grow up.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I like helping, advocating for people who need it. In this case, our community with Developmental Disabilities. I want to help improve the quality of services and resources here in the Imperial Valley. There are lots of people with developmental disabilities and little knowledge of their rights and resources. I would like to help those families.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

I am passionate about advocating for developmental disabilities. I am a fast learner. I like to engage with parents about their experiences and help them.

I am bilingual. I am a very motivated person. I have experience coaching, teaching. I have learned strategies from ABA therapies.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-540

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have always had a sense of compassion and drive to serve a population of children with autism and other developmental disabilities. You can have a profound impact on someone's life by providing care and support to someone who needs it most. For the past eight years I have been working and caring for children with autism spectrum disorder. Making a positive impact and helping them grow, gain skills and teaching them to be independent and confident in their own abilities makes it worthwhile. Remembering everything I do serves a greater purpose helps me see the bigger picture and has helped me become a more outgoing advocate.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Programs, education and disability rights.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

We need more representation from Imperial County.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Experience and unique perspective to help shape programs and policies.

Sequoia

Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-509

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My daughter is nonverbal autistic

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Advancing communication options for nonverbal autistics and addressing mental health needs of the family unit.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

To bring hope to struggling families and give nonverbal individuals a voice.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

As a parent with a background in speech pathology and trauma-informed care, I feel my extensive education, training, personal and professional experience will bring a fresh perspective in developing innovative programs to meet the mental health and communication needs of this growing population.



Redacted Membership Application

MM-512

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Fresno**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son was diagnosed when he was two with ASD, ID , and sensory processing disorder he requires 24 hour care and my wife and I have changed our entire life around to accommodate him

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Continue job placement, empowering families, early start and I FSP, IDEA, issues relating to conservatorship and community awareness

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I would like to bring a parent and professional perspective to the council especially for my geographical

region and at the state level. Providing information to legislators about the intricacies of caring for a child with a disability

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Before changing careers to better assist my family and my child I worked in the hospitality industry specifically hotel operations and management. I was the opening hotel manager for city center in Las Vegas for four years as well as the front office manager for the Wynn Las Vegas for three years working with multiple cultures and facilitating meetings and public speaking events. I now work for EPU in the central valley as a educational resource specialist helping families and putting on workshops to better assist them



Redacted Membership Application

MM-541

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Fresno**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

No

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have served as an EMT1-A for approximately 20 years in Fresno County and Riverside County. My interest in helping Developmental and Mental Health challenges started here. Then having children with special needs, has made my desire to serving the Mental Health community much more urgent.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Mental Health and making the Valley resource rich.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I feel as a father, my journey with my wife and children has been unclear, depleted of facts and very

stress full. I feel with my experience EMT and as Father can benefit my micro community of Autism and Mental health, With the drive to make it easier for the next family to navigate the system and improve their outcomes. I wish to serve on the committee to accomplish my goal of helping these family to know what steps to take. That there are facts that can help you and your family. It is still going to be stressful but there are resource to help with those stresses and fears. Having these resources available in Spanish, Hmong and English are crucial to the success of my mission.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My eagerness to be the student learning from the more senior committee members. My view on Mental Health and being a stay at home father of twins with extra needs can and to the diversity of the committee.

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**AGENDA ITEM 12.
INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE**

Local Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) Roster

Members will review the local SDAC roster for vacancies.

Attachment(s)

Local Self-Determination Advisory Committee Roster

**Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee
Membership Roster -- Updated 7/29/2020**

App No.	<u>NORTH COAST OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - REDWOOD COAST			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X1	Pam Jensen	SCDD	Caucasian	Professional
X2	Robert Taylor	RCRC	Caucasian	SA
X3	Kara Ponton	RCRC	Caucasian	SA
X4	Ronald Piazza	RCRC	Caucasian	SA
X5	Clifford Black	DRC		DRC/OCRA
74	Frank Van Curen	SCDD	Hispanic	SA
	VACANT	SCDD		
	VACANT	SCDD		
App No.	<u>NORTH STATE OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - FAR NORTHERN REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X6	Stephen Concklin	SCDD	White	FA
X8	Charles Nutt	SCDD	White	SA
X11	Kim Leeseman	FNRC	White	SA
X12	Kathy Brown	FNRC	White	FA
X13	Jennifer Bowman	FNRC	White	Service Provider
X15	Kimberlee Candela (DRC)	DRC	White	CRA
30	Carroll, Sara	SCDD	White	FA & Other
XX	Tammy Torum	FNRC	White	Service Provider
XX	Fred Sherman	FNRC	White	FA

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App No.	<u>SACRAMENTO OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - ALTA CALIFORNIA REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X16	Lisa Cooley	SCDD	African-American	Self-Advocate
X18	Joyce McNair	SCDD	African-American	Family Advocate
X19	Kimberly Terrell	SCDD	Caucasian	Self-Advocate
X20	Luis Rivera	ACRC	Hispanic-Latino	Family Advocate
X179	Daniel Meadows	ACRC	African-American	SA
X180	Cristal Cabbat	ACRC	Caucasian	FA
X181	Niccole Pitz	ACRC		FA
X182	Tom Hopkins	ACRC	Caucasian	SA
X183	Benita Ayala	ACRC	African-American	FA
X24	Brittnee Gillespie (DRC)	DRC	African-American	OCRA
64	Meena Kalyanasundaram		Asian	Family Advocate
65	Kenya Martinez		African-American	Family Advocate
97	Teresa Schmalz	ACRC		Family Advocate
	VACANT	SCDD		
App No.	<u>NORTH BAY OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - NORTH BAY REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X25	Ana Acosta	SCDD	Hispanic	Family
X26	Sonia Jones	SCDD	African American	Self-Advocate
X27	Diane Rogers	SCDD	African American	Self-Advocate
X28	Gail Thompson	SCDD	Not Indicated	Family
X29	Donna Arbios	NBRC	Not Indicated	Family
X30	Jerry Corradi	NBRC	White	Other/Professional
X31	Debra Hight	NBRC	White	Family
X32	Jessica Levi	NBRC	Not Indicated	Family
X33	Yulahlia Hernandez (DRC)	DRC	Hispanic	Other/Professional

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Candice Chia
Marylou Hilberg

NBRC
NBRC

Asian
Not Indicated

Family
family

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App No.	<u>BAY AREA OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - GOLDEN GATE REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
	VACANT			
X35	Elizabeth Grigsby	GGRC	African American	SA/Provider
X36	Jennifer Walsh, Co-Chair	SCDD	Caucasian	SA
X37	Connie Johnson	GGRC	Caucasian	FA
X38	Alyson Sinclair	GGRC	Caucasian	FA
	Alex Gastelum	OCRA		OCRA
X40	Wesley Moss	SCDD	African American	Provider
X41	Sascha Bittner, Chair	SCDD	Caucasian	SA
117	Christine Kantor	GGRC	Asian	FA

App No.	<u>BAY AREA OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - REGIONAL CENTER OF THE EAST BAY			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
next appl	Sandra Coss	RCEB	Hispanic	Other
X44	Irene Litherland, Chair	SCDD	Caucasian	FA
1	Pei Wang	SCDD	Asian	FA
X45	Dianne Millner	SCDD	African Am	FA
X46	Vi Ibarra	RCEB	Caucasian	FA
X47	Arthur Lipscomb	OCRA	African American	OCRA
X48	Pamela Baird	RCEB	Caucasian	FA
X49	Morena Grimaldi	RCEB	Hispanic / Latina	FA
X50	Krista Loomis	RCEB	Caucasian	Provider
X51	Melissa Crisp-Cooper, Co-Chair	RCEB	Caucasian	SA
98	Neil Jacobson	RCEB		SA/FA
107	Jocelyn Manalac	RCEB	Asian	FA

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App No.	<u>NORTH VALLEY HILLS OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - VALLEY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X52	Zastrow, Liz	SCDD	Caucasian	Systems Change Advocate
X53	Pfeifer, Dena	VMRC	Caucasian	SA
X54	Mickahail, Bethany	SCDD	Caucasian	FA
X55	Mickahail, Al	SCDD	Caucasian	FA
X56	Lazaro, Claire	VMRC	Filipino	FA
X57	Florez, Jayme	VMRC	Hispanic	SA
X58	Enyeart, Crystal	VMRC	Caucasian	SA
X59	Hager, Christine (DRC)	DRC	Caucasian	OCRA
X60	Plasencia, Yadira	SCDD	Hispanic	FA
37	Culley, Lisa	SCDD	Caucasian	FA & Other
38	Arely Solano, Martha	SCDD	Hispanic	FA
61	Kerstin Williams		African-American	SA
62	Veronica Segovia		Hispanic	FA
55	Phylicia Martinez		Caucasian	FA
39	Rashid, Mohamed	SCDD		SA

App No.	<u>CENTAL COAST OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - TRI-COUNTIES REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
60	Jason Farrar		Caucasian	SA
X61	Mara Rupert	SCDD	Caucasian	SA
28	Ellen Hunt	SCDD	Caucasian	FA
10	Casey Taylor	SCDD	Caucasian	FA
X62	Chris Benedict	TCRC	Caucasian	SA
X65	Marcia Eichelberger	TCRC	Caucasian	FA
X66	Sandra Waterbury	TCRC	Caucasian	FA
X67	Ashley Pope	TCRC	Caucasian	FA
X68	Darylene Williams	TCRC		FA
69	Farela Aranibar		Hispanic	FA

App No.	<u>CENTAL COAST OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
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REGIONAL CENTER - SAN ANDREAS REGIONAL CENTER				
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X70	Doug Pascover	SCDD	Caucasian	CA
X71	Connie Frenzel	SCDD	Caucasian	FA
X73	David Forderer	SCDD	Caucasian	SA
X74	Lori Luzader McDonnal	SARC	Caucasian	CA
X77	Martha Johnson	SARC	Hispanic	FA
X78	Cherri Alcontara	DRC	Philippine	DRC
31	Kathy Tanner	SCDD	Caucasion	FA
X79	Suzanne Francisco	SARC	Caucasion	FA
X80	Kishan Sreednar	SARC	Asian	CA
56	Kavita Sreedhar		Asian	FA
	Tran Huyen Tran	SARC	Asian	CA
	Bernardino Sunglao	SARC	Philippine	CA

App No.	<u>SEQUOIA OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - CENTAL VALLEY REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X81	Guzman, Gloria	SCDD	Hispanic	SA
X82	Pickens, Cindy	SCDD	White	FA
X83	Smith, Michelle	SCDD	White	FA
X84	Benson, Robert "Bob"	CVRC	White	FA
X85	Vasquez, Elizabeth	CVRC	Hispanic	
			Hispanic/Native	
X86	Guimont, Reva	CVRC	American	FA
X87	Harrell, Tracy	CVRC	White	SA
X88	Rachel Hagans	CVRC	Hispanic	CVRC Director of Case Management
X89	Elisa Escareno	CVRC	Hispanic	SDP Program Mananger
X90	Tellalian, Carolyn	CVRC	Armenian	FA
X91	Yolanda Cruz	SCDD		SCDD

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App No. <u>LOS ANGELES OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>				
REGIONAL CENTER 1 - WESTSIDE REGIONAL CENTER				
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
13	Felicia Ford	SCDD	African-American	Family Advocate
X95	Fran Goldfarb	SCDD	White	Family Advocate
X96	Brett Gordon	SCDD	White	Self-Advocate
X98	Nilo Choudhry	WRC	Asian	Family Advocate
X99	Betty Grumble	WRC	African-American	Family Advocate
X100	Ester Kelsey	WRC	African-American	Self-Advocate
X101	Harvey Lapin	WRC	White	Family Advocate
X102	*Judy Mark	WRC	White	Family Advocate
71	Joseph Juarez	SCDD	Hispanic	Self-Advocate
	Kristin Evans (DRC)	DRC		

App No. <u>LOS ANGELES OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>				
REGIONAL CENTER 2 - NORTH LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CENTER				
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X104	Richard Dier	SCDD	White	Family Advocate
5	*Jordan Feinstock	SCDD	White	Self-Advocate
6	Cheryl Hendrickson	SCDD	Black	Family Advocate
X105	Sandra Baker	SCDD	Latino	Family Advocate
X106	Ellen Jannol (vice-chair)	SCDD	White	Family Advocate
X107	Victoria Berry	NLACRC	White	Family Advocate
X108	Michelle Heid (Chair)	NLACRC	White	Family Advocate
X109	Lillian Martinez	NLACRC	Latino	Family Advocate
X110	Jon Francis	NLACRC	White	Other
X111	Lori Walker	NLACRC	White	Family Advocate
	Diana Padilla Garcia	SCDD		
		Contingent		
	Roxanna Topete (DRC)	DRC		

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REGIONAL CENTER 3 - SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CENTER				
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X113	*Sherry Johnson Alvarez	SCDD	African-American	FA
X114	Alnita Dunn	SCDD	African-American	Other
X115	Luz Hernandez Gutierrez	SCDD	Latino	FA
X116	Alberta Moore	SCDD	African-American	FA
42	Jose Gudino	SCDD	Latino	FA
X117	Antwan Jones	SCLARC	African-American	SA
X118	Diana Uglade-Lara	SCLARC	Latino	SA
X119	Terrance Payne	SCLARC	African-American	FA
X120	Stephanie Arlaud	SCLARC	African-American	Other
X121	Lorena Morales	SCLARC	Latino	FA
	Megan Buckles (DRC)	DRC		

App No. <u>LOS ANGELES OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>				
REGIONAL CENTER 4 - FRANK D. LANTERMAN REGIONAL CENTER				
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X123	Howard McBroom	SCDD	White	Self-Advocate
X124	Mariko Magami	SCDD	Asian	Family Advocate
X125	Lareka Killebrew	SCDD	African-American	Family Advocate
X126	*Pierre Landry	SCDD	White	Family Advocate
	Roxanna Topete (DRC)	DRC		
X128	Michelle Wolf	FDLRC	White	Family Advocate
X129	Karla Diaz	FDLRC	Latino	Family Advocate
X130	Linda An	FDLRC	Asian	Family Advocate
X131	Zulma Mena	FDLRC	Latino	Family Advocate

App No. <u>LOS ANGELES OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>				
REGIONAL CENTER 5 - HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER				
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X132	Linda Chan Rapp (Chair)	SCDD	Asian	Family Advocate

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X133	*Miriam Kang	SCDD	White	Family Advocate
X136	Deaka McClain	HRC	African-American	Self-Advocate
X137	Rosalinda Garcia	HRC	Latino	Other
	Priscilla Ankrah (DRC)	DRC		
43	David Oster	HRC	White	
121	Juliana Martinez	HRC	Hispanic	Family Advocate
125	Vianey Gomes	SCDD Contin	Hispanic	Family Advocate
	Patricia Jordan	HRC		
	Sunghee Park	HRC		

App No.	LOS ANGELES OFFICE - SDAC Members			
	REGIONAL CENTER 6 - EAST LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X139	Carl Blum	ELARC	White	Family Advocate
X140	Jacobed Garcia	ELARC	Latino	Family Advocate
X141	*Virgilio Orlina	ELARC	Filipino	Self-Advocate
X142	Mei Ye	ELARC	Chinese	Family Advocate
X143	Cathay Liu	SCDD	Chinese	Family Advocate
X144	Carola Maranon	SCDD	Latino	Family Advocate
12	Josefina Nieves	SCDD	Latino	Family Advocate
3	Yougeng Sun	SCDD	Chinese	Family Advocate
X145	Marlene Ramirez (DRC)	DRC	Latino	Other

App No.	LOS ANGELES OFFICE - SDAC Members			
	REGIONAL CENTER 7 - SAN GABRIEL POMONA REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
33	*Ameen Ali	SCDD	White	Family Advocate
32	Mercedes Ospina-Manota	SCDD	Latino	Family Advocate
X151	Molly Chen	SGPRC	Asian	Self-Advocate
X152	Aimee Delgado (DRC)	DRC	Latino	Other
123	Antony Rodriguez	SCDD	Latino	Family Advocate
126	Mary Valencia	SCDD	Latino	Family Advocate

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App No.	<u>ORANGE COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - REGIONAL CENTER OF ORANGE COUNTY			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X153	Tim Jin	SCDD	Asian	SA
X154	Andrea Kumetz-Coleman	SCDD	sian, Native Hawaiian, Whi	FA
X155	Michael Rillera	SCDD	Asian	FA
X156	Sam Durbin	RCOC	White	SA
X157	Jyusse Corey	RCOC	Mixed Race	SA
X158	April Lopez	RCOC	Hispanic	FA
X159	Rhys Burchill	RCOC	White	FA
X160	Jacqueline Miller (DRC)	DRC	White	OCRA
34	Karen Millender	SCDD	White	FA

App No.	<u>SAN BERNARDINO OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - INLAND REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X161	Lannette Hollowell	SCDD	Caucasian/ White	Self-Advocate
X162	Rhonda Morris	SCDD	Caucasian/White	Family Advocate
X164	Maia Pawooskar	IRC	Asian	Family Advocate
X166	Ryan Reynolds	IRC	Caucasian/White	Self-Advocate
	Jennifer Alfaro	DRC		OCRA
77	Nicole Starks-Murray	IRC	African-American	Family Advocate
83	Cathy Rosas	IRC	Hispanic	Family Advocate
	Ronald Allan	IRC	White	Self-Advocate
	Martina Rangel-Ortega	IRC	Hispanic	Family Advocate
	Dr. Donna Hunter	IRC	African American	Family Advocate
	Henrietta Simmons	IRC	African American	Family Advocate

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App No.	<u>SAN BERNARDINO & SEQUOIA OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - KERN REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X168	Rick Wood	SCDD	Caucasian/White	Family Advocate
X169	Nicholas "Nico" Scheider	KRC	Caucasian/White	Self-Advocate
X170	Kelly Reyes	KRC	Caucasian/White	Family Advocate
X171	Mario Espinoza (DRC)	DRC	Hispanic	DRC
	VACANT	SCDD		
	VACANT	SCDD		
	VACANT	KRC		
	VACANT	KRC		
	VACANT	KRC		

App No.	<u>SAN DIEGO IMPERIAL OFFICE - SDAC Members</u>			
	REGIONAL CENTER - SAN DIEGO REGIONAL CENTER			
	Name	Appointment	Race	Status
X172	Joyce Clark	SCDD	Caucasian	FA
X173	Karen Maier	SCDD	Hispanic	SA
2	Kim Rucker	SCDD	Caucasian	SA
7	Bertha Taylor	SCDD	African American	FA
X174	Rigoberto Zavala	SDRC	Hispanic	SA
X175	Christopher Lubinski	SDRC	Caucasian	FA
X176	Tracey Millhouse-Hensley	SDRC	Caucasian	FA
X177	Michael Lombardi (DRC)	DRC	Caucasian	Agency Rep
127	Horacio Correa Jr.	SDRC		FA

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AGENDA ITEM 13.

ACTION ITEM

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES –
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

***Review Local Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC)
Applications***

Members will review local SDAC applications for the following regional centers. Note: applications may be heard out of the listed order.

1. Alta of California Regional Center
2. Central Valley Regional Center
3. East Los Angeles Regional Center
4. Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center
5. Far Northern Regional Center
6. Golden Gate Regional Center
7. Harbor Regional Center
8. Inland Regional Center
9. Kern Regional Center
10. North Bay Regional Center
11. North Los Angeles County Regional Center
12. Regional Center of the East Bay
13. Regional Center of Orange County
14. Redwood Coast Regional Center
15. San Andres Regional Center
16. South Central Los Angeles Regional Center
17. San Diego Regional Center
18. San Gabriel Pomona Regional Center
19. Tri-Counties Regional Center
20. Valley Mountain Regional Center
21. Westside Regional Center

Recommendation

Appoint manager-recommended members to the Local Self-Determination Advisory Committees listed above.

Attachment(s)

Local Self-Determination Advisory Committee Applications

**BAY AREA REGION
NORTH BAY REGIONAL
CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-154

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Alameda**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: North Bay

I am a: Independent Facilitator

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My daughter and aunt are regional center clients (RCEB and SARC). I'm a special ed. and institutional advocate, and am excited to fold that into my IF practice. I'm personally excited to see my daughter benefit from this program as it opens up, next June.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
Advocacy, Social Services, Medical and Educational fields navigation.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I'm an Independent Facilitator with clients in NBRC, RCEB, SARC, GGRC, and am active in ALTA and Valley Mtn as well. I'm the parent of a regional center client and am involved in my aunt's care, who is also a Regional Center client.

**BAY AREA REGION
REGIONAL CENTER OF
THE EAST BAY**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-119

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: East Bay

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

As a member of the Northern Ca AAA DAWN (Disability Awareness Wellness Network) and parent of a Son with Autism

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I'd like to work to create more opportunity for people living with a disability.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I have raised a Son with Autism and feel a great need to give back for all the services received in his lifetime. I am not sure what this entails honestly but would like more information.

CENTRAL COAST REGION SAN ANDRES REGIONAL CENTER



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-128

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Contra Costa**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Asian

Regional Center: San Andreas

I am a: Service Provider

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

As a care provider since 2006 serving adult and elderly. Since then I learned to be an advocate what is important for them and important to.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Adult and Elderly Residential Care, Adult and Elderly Day Program.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I just learned Self-Determination (SD) last year 2018. Next, I read everything about it on the website of the Department of Developmental Services. I attended my first SD Advisory Committee meeting last month October 2019. When David Grady granted our request for a one-on-one meeting, all the things that I learned from my researched were explained and I was able to visualized how SD can make the lives of individuals with intellectual disability can received services on the way how they really wanted it to be. I was so impressed on how SD process was created. And the way I looked at it, this will be the future form of process on how individuals can get their services.

Serving for more than 10 years, I would effectively be able to contribute for the enhancement on the



implementations of securing services by individuals on its utmost method.

CENTRAL COAST REGION TRI-COUNTIES REGIONAL CENTER



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-142

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Ventura**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Tri-Counties

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

helping multiple family members on the spectrum. conservator for adult brother on the Autism spectrum

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Self Determination Program implementation

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I have been attending the Advisory Committee meetings as a guest. I feel I can contribute as a committee member.

**LOS ANGELES REGION
EAST LOS ANGELES
REGIONAL CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-145

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: East Los Angeles

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Through the birth of my 8 year old twins (Down Syndrome and Little Person)

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

To advocate for those in need of support to live their lives to their full potential

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

To support those in need



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-146

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: East Los Angeles

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have 2 children with Autism, 1 selected for SDP, both are Regional Center consumers

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Advocacy, Independent Facilitator under Self determination program

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I participate in SD committee at ELARC (2017-2019) as a Family Mentor, Parent and outreach coordinator(I was an employee for Fiesta Educativa inc. at that time). I think is very important to continue growing, educate myself , supporting my kids and others, specially in this Self determination transition that will open for any other regional center clients that want participate on 2021 and those who actually are selected and don't know how to navigate this program, and Regional center system. I have experience working with parents, community and self advocates.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-155

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: East Los Angeles

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I'm a parent with a child with special needs and I being working in the community with the families supporting and guide Navigate the Special Education, Regional Center, IHSS, Medical, SSI and CCS systems

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Special Education, Regional Center, IHSS, Medical, SSI, CCS and Department of Rehabilitation Systems

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

3 Years experience participating in workshops and trainings for Self Determination and 1 year supporting families under Self determination as a Independent Facilitator and elaboration of the PCP Plan.

**LOS ANGELES REGION
NORTH LOS ANGELES
COUNTY REGIONAL
CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-153

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: North Los Angeles

I am a: Self-Advocate (Person with disability) and a family member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Because I have a son with autism and my self I have disability and advocate for my and my child

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
Self Advocate and Self-Determination

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I am in waiting list



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-162

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: North Los Angeles

I am a: I have a business that supports individuals with disabilities.

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a MS in Special Ed, Special Education teaching credentials, and I am BCBA. I have also developed and managed Regional Center and DOR programs for adults.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
Secondary Transition

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I have worked in schools managing full inclusion programs, developed and managed person centered Regional Center and DOR programs, I have trained as an Independent Facilitator and currently writing Person Centered Plans. Self-Determination program is so important and I would be honored to be part of the committee helping move this program forward.

**LOS ANGELES REGION
SOUTH CENTRAL LOS
ANGELES REGIONAL
CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-149

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: South Central Los Angeles

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Mi interés viene de hace cuatro años respaldando SDP haciendo abogacía a nivel estatal para la comunidad Hispana.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
SDP

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Soy facilitadora independiente con más de dos años de experiencia y puedo capturar las barreras de primera mano ya que trabajo directamente en el campo de batalla con las familias.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-159

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: South Central Los Angeles

I am a: Community representative

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:
Support families thru Self Determination program, Regional Center and support the families thru the process accessing generic resources

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
Regional Center, Selfdetermination, Special Education, IHSS, SSI, CCS and Medical systems

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:
In past 2 years ago Selfdetermination trainings and workshops, I being working with parents and individuals with disabilities develop a PCP Plans and independent facilitator services in the community. I wish to be part of SDAC because I being working in the community for around 10 years ago and I have the experience to know the families needs and concerns and share ideas, share resources and positive and efective participation in the Committee

LOS ANGELES REGION WESTSIDE REGIONAL CENTER



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-143

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Westside

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My daughter has Down syndrome and we are both advocates for Best Buddies, Special Olympics and Easter Seals

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Self Determination, access to work, housing, independent living

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I attended the first introductory meeting years ago. I think SDP will be a great program to help fit clients specific needs.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-147

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Westside

I am a: I work with families who have children with disabilities

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a MS in Special Education, I have sp.ed teaching credentials, I'm a BCBA and as the Director of Program Operation for an agency I developed and managed adult programs.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Secondary Transition- helping families transition from secondary education to adulthood.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I am an Independent Facilitator writing PCP's. I would like to serve on the committee to further help in the community for this very important program.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-148

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: Westside

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son has developmental disabilities and is a client of WRC.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interests are: Self Determination, Regional Center, Special Education and disability rights advocacy, I am also an independent Facilitator.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I first became interested in Self Determination because I saw the immense value that Self Determination would have in my son's live and everybody with a developmental disability. I am an Independent Facilitator and I have clients in WRC, HRC and RCOC at this time. I would like to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee because I am passionate about Self Determination and I really want for this amazing program to work so my son and everybody else can benefit from it.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-158

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Westside

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Advocating for my daughter, who is 8 years old and has Down syndrome.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am interested in helping all families and consumers regardless of social or economic status to receive all services and supports needed.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I have attended a few meetings of the WRC Self-Determination Advisory Committee, gone through Independent Facilitator training, and attended Autism Society conference on self-determination. The reason I would want to be on the committee is to further help this process be accessible to all people (and families) with disabilities, regardless of race, income, or sophistication.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-160

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): African-American

Regional Center: Westside

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Our son Hunter (now 16) was diagnosed with ASD at 4 and my wife and I have been immersed in the developmental disability field and its services since that time. Roberta Newton was instrumental in our "education", after she served as our advocate when Hunter was young and at SCRC. She had asked me to serve on a SCDD committee those many years ago but I am afraid the timing did not work out. THAT is when we first heard of Self-Determination, though it was many years before the program was instituted. Over the years following Roberta's retirement, I have discussed the program with Chris Arroyo many times, and he has been a wonderful resource and help.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am very interested in the implementation of the Self-determination program and ensuring that it is successful. I have a particular interest in seeing that underserved communities are made aware of the program's benefits and provided with the tools to navigate the many requirements that lead to participation.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:



We had the good fortune of being one of the first families to go through the WRC self-determination process and we understand every part of the process. From the selection of our Independent Facilitator (Sonni Charness) and FSM, through the Person Centered Planning process, budget meetings and final approval and identification of appropriate services for Hunter, I and my wife Jenifer have collaborated with individuals and WRC itself, and our experience has been as hugely a positive and successful one. I believe that my career experience will also add value to the Committee. I consult on Strategic Relations, Engagement & Impact and have developed "strategic plans" and connected clients with community stakeholders and organizations in order to build awareness about specific issues, brands and initiatives. In fact, I have created (and shared with Sonni) a Marketing & Engagement Initiatives proposal that would bring the program to WRC clients & constituents. So, in closing I would just like to thank you all for the hard work that has brought us Self-determination and as always, you have our full support. Best regards, Kim Watson



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-161

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): African-American

Regional Center: Westside

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I am a community activist and a dad of 19 years old Autistic child

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Capacity building for parents and finding ways to better our kids quality of life.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I gave orientation for Ethiopian parents with Special Needs children support group regarding Self determination. I also participated in many meetings at West Side Regional Center Advisory committee meetings. i want to do my share to help SD to have more impact on our kids and parents.

**NORTH COAST REGION
REDWOOD COAST
REGIONAL CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-139

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Mendocino**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Redwood Coast

I am a: Agency representative plus an advocate for (2) friends who are non-agency but SD participants

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?

No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have worked with SD participants through PFI, plus I advocate as a family friend for (2) non-agency SD participants who are school age heading toward adulthood. SD is the future!

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I have a passion for equal rights / human rights, and have friends and family who are served by Regional Centers. I am also an 8.5 year employee at a service provider and managed a day program with SD participants and I am an Adaptive technologist. I am now development manager seeking way to improve the services and experiences for our program participants as they exercise their options to live their best lives.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I am an 8.5 year employee at a service provider and managed a day program with SD participants. plus I advocate as a family friend for (2) non-agency SD participants who are school age heading toward adulthood. SD is the future as it fully encompasses the best of Person-centered planning.

**NORTH STATE REGION
FAR NORTHERN
REGIONAL CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-156

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Tehama**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: Far Northern

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son was selected to be a part of the Self Determination Program. I would like to know more about services and supports for him and to connect other Spanish speaking families that are caring for an individual with a developmental disability with supports in their community.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am excited that my child was selected to be part of the Self Determination Program as I believe this may help families receive services that they would not be able to receive in traditional services.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

My son is in the Self-Determination Program and he is receiving more services in the Self-Determination Program than when he was receiving traditional services. I have more freedom in choosing the services my son receives and they are helping him a lot.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-157

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Butte**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Far Northern

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?

No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Advocating for son's best interest over the years. Knowledge from experience with IEP's, IPP's and many agendas that serve the community.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

All areas of life: health, education, housing, housing employment, ability to be heard and receive needed services. Education in health especially for pre and active diabetes. I served on the CAC Butte County Department of Education, Area Board II on Developmental Disabilities (prior to 2015), Far Northern Regional Board of Directors, Boys Scouts of America and continue to participate in the Supported Life Board and Resources for Rural Education Institute Boards.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

My experience includes FNRC developing a plan for Self-Determination, Board of Directors. I believe all people have the right to determine their life plan. I have years of experience and I would like to share and work to make this idea self-determination grow in the community. Educating our community is very important.

**NORTH VALLEY HILLS
REGION
VALLEY MOUNTAIN
REGIONAL CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-135

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Stanislaus**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: Valley Mountain

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:
Help my daughter to get better services

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
My daughters services

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:
Help my daughter



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-136

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Stanislaus**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: Valley Mountain

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Aprender e involucrame mas sobre el programa para poder atudor a laso futuras famileas que califiquen para el programa de autodeterminacion

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
enespanol?

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:
en espanol?



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-137

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Tuolumne**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Valley Mountain

I am a: Self-Advocate (Person with disability)

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a disability

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
self determination

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I learned about this at the Self Determination Orientation



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-138

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Tuolumne**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Valley Mountain

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son has Down syndrome and was selected into the Self Determination Program

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Self Determination Program and helping other self and family advocates in Tuolumne

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

At the Self Determination Orientation- Dena Hernandez from SCDD asked if we would be interested as there is a need for a family advocate and self advocate from Tuolumne County to be on this committee. My son and I said we would like to participate.

ORANGE COUNTY REGION REGIONAL CENTER OF ORANGE COUNTY



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-150

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Orange**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: Orange County

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I am a sibling of an adult with autism.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

I am open to all fields of the service system however trainings is a primary interest

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

As someone that is continuing to go through the SDP I have first hand experience of seeking services

SAN BERNARDINO REGION INLAND REGIONAL CENTER



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-129

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Inland

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Have BA in Psychology from UCSD, elementary school teacher, current mother of teen son with disabilities, past SELPA CAC parent rep. for district for 9 years.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

gain knowledge, collaborate with regional and contribute to the rolling out and future of SDP program for clients including my son

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I attended the Taking Charge Self Determination Conference in LA in November 2019; attended the November local Inland Self Determination Advisory Committee in November 2019; I wish to serve on committee to contribute to the success of the program at an advisory level to regional center by sharing experiences and problem solving together in open communication and support. The current traditional model of services isn't working for my son and he has unmet needs.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-130

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Riverside**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Asian

Regional Center: Inland

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Both of my children (now adult) are developmentally disabled (autism)

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interest is pursuing an inclusive life for my kids. To help them and teach them to make their own choices.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

None, except for attending two conferences in Los Angeles, and one meeting at IRC.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-140

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Kern

I am a: Self-Advocate (Person with disability)

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a developmental disability and have been in self-determination for almost 20 years. I was on the DDS CAC for IRC before being accepted in self-determination, and was accepted in self-determination during my term. I was president and vice-president during my term.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Being an advocate for both those who are high functioning and low, because I can speak for both. I am in a unique position as well to be able to help not only the individual but their team as well. I have good communication skills but understand fully what it is to be disabled.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

During my first years in the self-determination program, I was not nearly as high functioning as I am now. I was not able to attend an advocacy meeting without having multiple "episodes" (which we now know are a form of Psychogenic Non-Epileptic Seizures) due to anything from the lights being too bright to multiple illnesses. I was in a wheel chair and could not leave my home without a service animal. Now, thanks in large part to self-determination and the team that I have been blessed with, I am out of that



wheel chair, i have the "episodes" only several times a month instead of a day and I can function. I served a full term, having been on the DDS CAC board for over 6 years. During my last few months with the committee, during which I was the president, we were presented with information about the aftermath of hurricane Katrina, and the things that had been done to people with developmental disabilities, their service animals, and the elderly. Due to this information, I was not even able to attend my last meeting as president. It was more than I could handle both mentally and emotionally. Now, over 15 years later, the person I am today, is nothing like the person I was. Self- Determination has helped me become a functioning member of society and I think not only can I help other people who may be new to SD, but i can provide a voice to those who need one. I have been with SD since the very beginning and was apart of the original team, that wrote the pamphlets, letters, books, and memos that were distributed state wide. I can and will be an asset to the SDAC. I have been developmentally disabled my entire life, with the last 20 years being spent in SD. I have been through everything. I want to help.

**SAN DIEGO IMPERIAL
REGION
SAN DIEGO REGIONAL
CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-127

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional):

Regional Center: San Diego

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
Yes

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Soon after my daughter was diagnosed with autism, I immediately understood that I needed to become educated in all aspects of the support system for individuals with disabilities. I participated in trainings, seminars and developed contacts within the community to be a better advocate for her needs.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

It's unrealistic to think all individuals with a developmental disability can become self-sufficient. Many individuals with severe disabilities are unable to live independently or find a job. Therefore, it's important to develop and fund support services for parents, siblings, guardians and caretakers so they can provide a lifelong support and improve the quality of life of the individual they care for.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

We lived in Maryland prior to moving to California. While there, we enrolled and participated in their version of "self-determination". Maryland was one of the first states to roll out this type of program. I completed their support broker training which is similar to the independent facilitator.



I would like to be part of the committee because I believe with my diverse background, I could help Hispanic parents who have a hard time understanding what the self-determination program is about or don't trust government agencies have their best interest.



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-131

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): American Indian/Native Alaskan

Regional Center: San Diego

I am a: Parent and Beacons Inc Board Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:
child born prematurely, regional center client

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
transition services for young adults, transportation and employment opportunities

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:
just learning about the opportunities and availabilities

**SEQUOIA REGION
CENTRAL VALLEY
REGIONAL CENTER**



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-144

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Fresno**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Central Valley

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

My son was diagnosed with ASD, ID, SPD when he was two. He is a regional center client and my wife and I have been working tirelessly to the educational system and to the regional center and other local and federal assistance programs to provide him with a voice

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
Services, funding, legislation, actual implementation of services

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I believe that understanding the intricacies of how committees are formed and what their actual message is and how to articulate that message is vitally important. My wife is currently the CAC chair for Clovis unified and I have been involved and multiple cross agency initiatives for those within a intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities. I feel as though being part of the committee will not only help me gain more knowledge to help my son and others like him, but it will also bring a voice of a parent, advocate, and someone that truly cares.

SEQUOIA REGION KERN REGIONAL CENTER



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-133

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **13**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Kern

I am a: Family Member

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:
Regional Center

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:
All

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:
Managed MR for 22 years



SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-141

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Kern

I am a: Direct Care Worker/ Support Staff

Has Your Name Been Selected To Participate In The Roll Out Of The Self-Determination Program?
No

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have been working with people with developmental disabilities for 20 years. I began working in the day programs, moved on to being direct care staff in group homes for both adults and children who ranged from extremely low functioning to those at the highest functioning level possible. I have worked also in nursing homes, and hospitals, and for the last 7 years I was a live in care provider for a person who was in the pilot program of the SD program and is now one of the 2500 people in the roll out of SD statewide. I have always wanted to help people and have always been drawn to those with developmental disabilities in particular. They have the ability to touch your heart in ways that no one else can and when people take the time, they are can teach us so much.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

My interest in the developmental disability field has always been simple, I want to help. For the last 20 years, in one way or another I have worked with developmentally disabled adults and children, the elderly, and have been an advocate even when I didn't know that is what I was doing. I will be taking the upcoming IF training, in hopes to continue working with any i can help. I do not want to simply help the individual. I want to help their team. I bring with me extensive and varied experience and knowledge. I want to help, and I feel that I can by being apart of the SDAC, as well as continuing what i call working on



the front lines. I want to be a voice for not only the person with disabilities, but a voice for the team members who need one. Working with a person who has developmental disabilities is never about working solely with that person but with all those who are connected to them and helping to give the individual the best life that we can. What is my interest in this field exactly? Helping. However, whenever, where ever, simply helping.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

For the last 7 years I have been a live in care provider to participant of the SD pilot program who then became one of the 2500 people for the statewide roll out. I have worked closely with Douglas Pascover, with people from both IRC and KRC, I have worked with several different FMS companies, as well as helping to educate people that we have met over the last year who are new to the program. The person that I provided direct care for, spoke at the SD conference last year, at which I attended with her. While there, we met both individuals with disabilities, and members of their teams that have reached out over the last few months, with questions and concerns, and those who simply needed reassurance. I will continue to be there for those people no matter what, and if I am apart of the SDAC I can speak up for them in ways that someone else might not be able to. I have worked in the developmental disability field and service system for 20 plus years now in many different capacities. I have seen MANY changes in the SD program just in the last 7 years and believe in the program absolutely. I want to be apart of the SDAC, to help all I can. I have the experience from a team members point of view, and have first hand working knowledge of problems and questions that team members new to the program may have. I understand what it is to love, take care of, live with, and be apart of a person's life who has developmental disabilities, both in the SD program and not. I understand and can relate to the stress, the questions, the fear of not knowing certain things, that goes into the daily care of a person in the SD program. Because I have worked in group homes, in private homes, day programs and other capacities over the last 20 years, I know first hand how amazing the SD program could be for so many. I bring with me experience as a CNA, RNA, HHA, a foster/adoptive parent of a child with disabilities, and as someone who can understand and help alleviate the fears of someone new to the program and that is used to the standard system that has been in place for many years. Do you know how many people, (and these are people who would benefit from the SD program), that have never even heard of the SD program? Both clients and people who would make amazing team members to a SD participant? How many nursing homes or group homes that I have worked with that have clients who would be a perfect fit for the SD program but do not know how to even apply? How many direct care workers, RN's, and simply people who want to help, that are out there that have no idea how to work within the SD program and truly help a participant realize their full potential? Too many. I can understand and have dealt with many problems within the pilot program, as well as during the statewide roll out, and can provide knowledge that many can not. The individual I was a direct care provider for has been both sole employer and co employer. So, from a team members perspective, I have experience with both of those models. Also, I am not related to the participant in any legal way. She is now however, a permanent member of my family. This however has given me a working knowledge of things that a non-related team member might experience. I have taken and completed several semesters so far related to becoming a social worker, and have worked with many different agencies including but definitely not limited to DDS, IHSS, Adult and Aging Services both



statewide and county, DCFS (both in official and a personal capacity), and have in representation of my participant worked with police departments and the California judicial systems. My client is a unique person on every level possible. She attributes many of her achievements over the last 7 years to me and the things that I have been directly involved with for her. I see it as the other way around. Because of her, I have attained a knowledge and experience that can benefit many people. She is responsible for who she is today and how far she has come. I simply began working with the SD program to give her the building blocks to be the person she is today. My participant helped make me the person I am today. She was always an amazing, smart, and tough woman. She simply needed someone to love her and understand her enough to help her in her fight. I can and will be that for others both in the SD program and not, and really can help the SDAC in many ways.