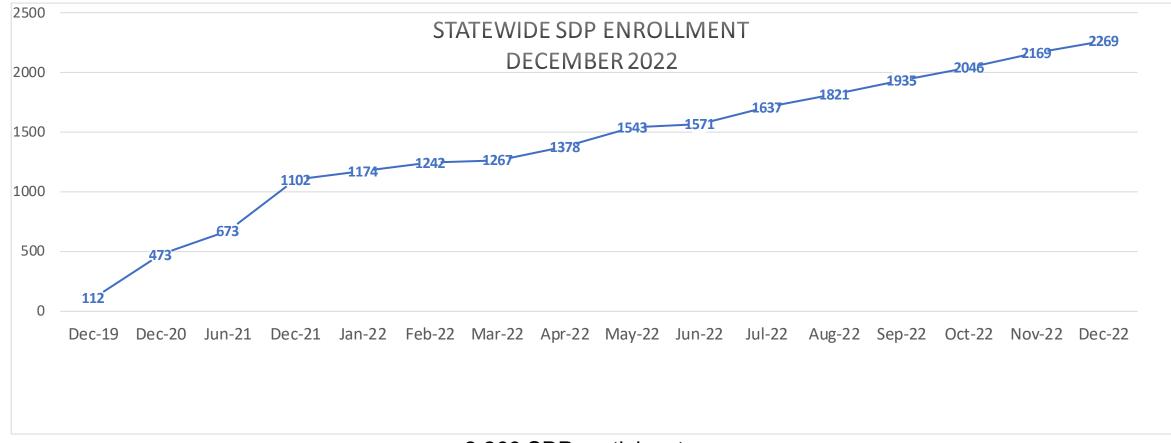
DDS Update for the Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee

February 9, 2022



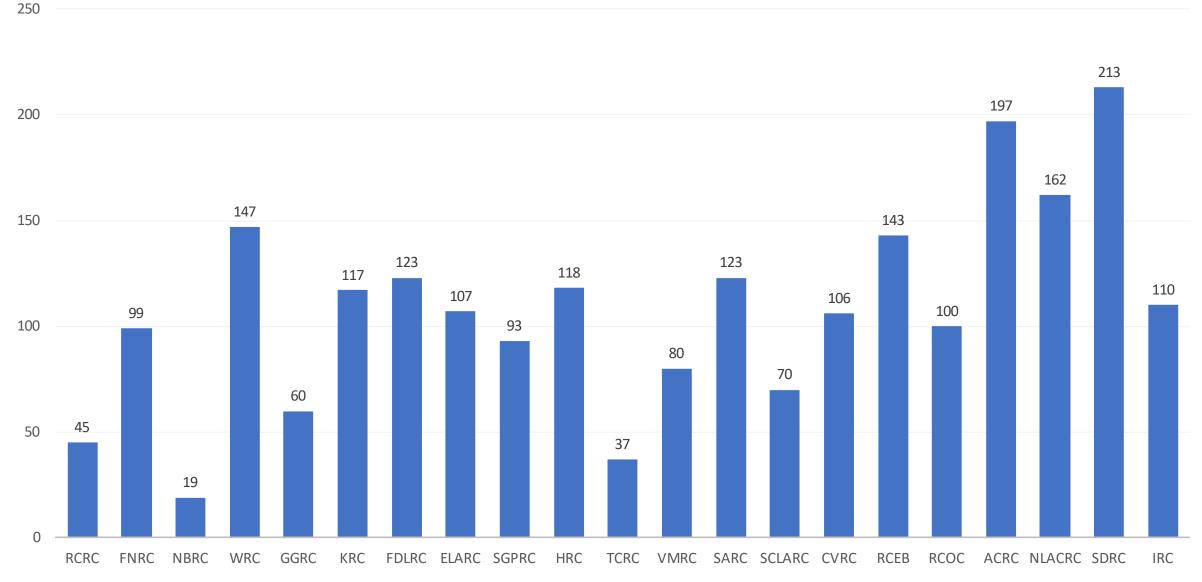


Self-Determination Program



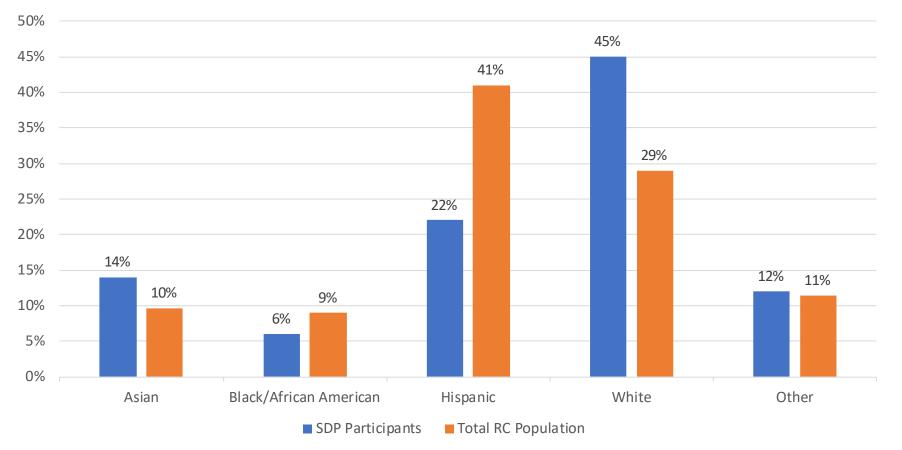
2,269 SDP participants

Participants in SDP by Regional Center December 2022

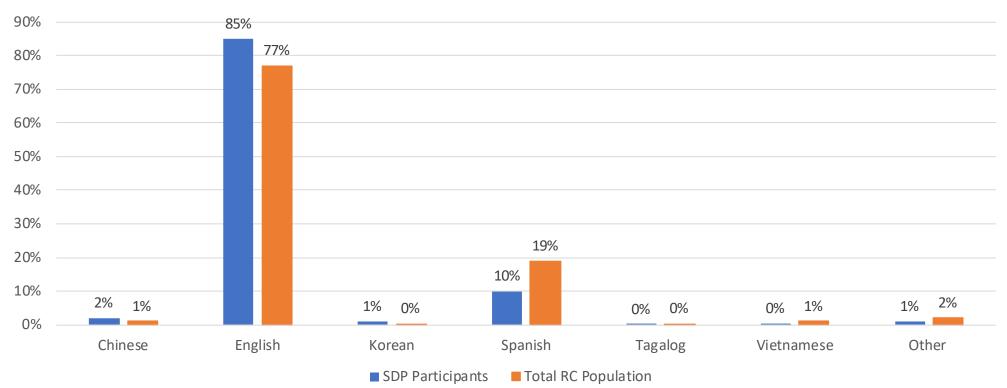


SDP Enrollment Through December 31, 2022

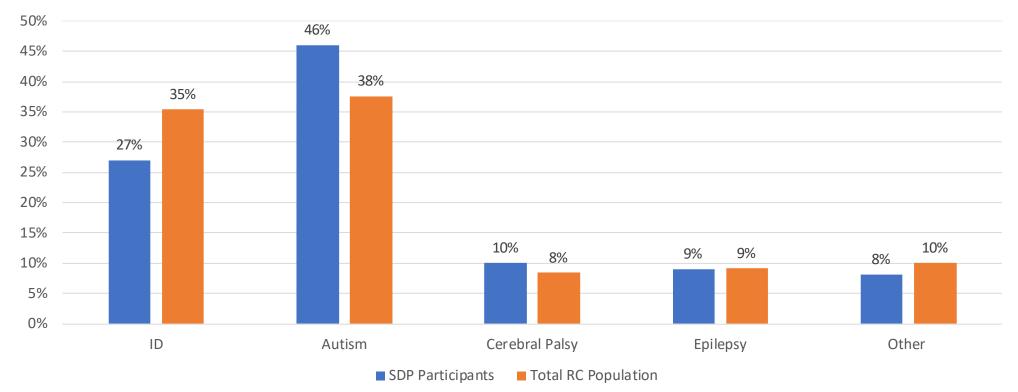
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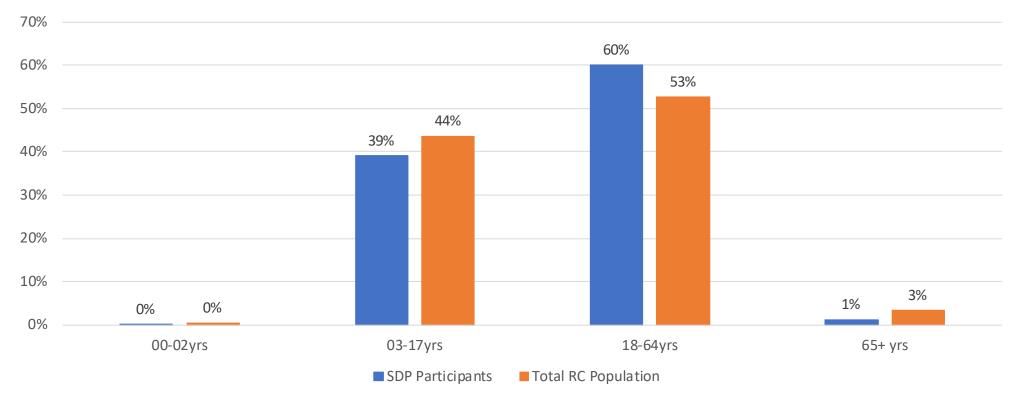
SDP Participants by Language



SDP Participants by Type of Disability



SDP Participants by Age



Recent DDS Activity

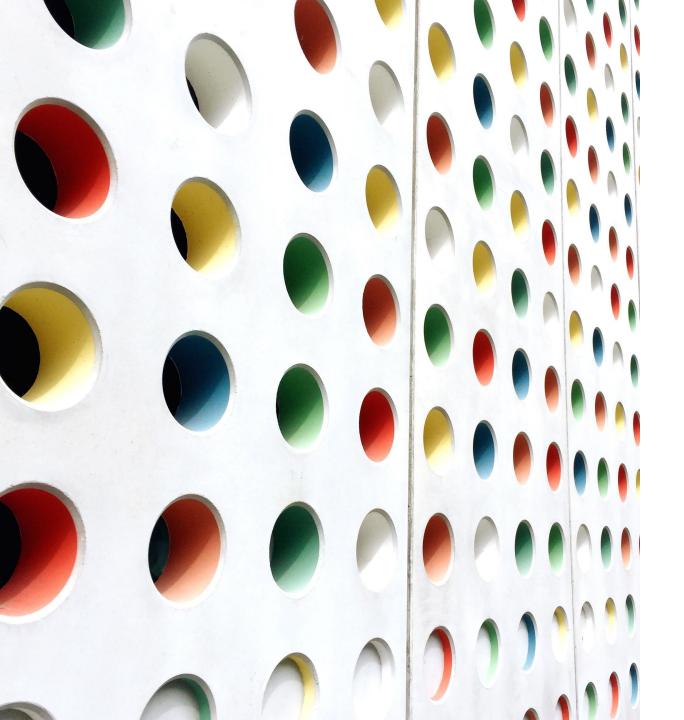
Directives:

- December 2022: Extended timeline for pre-enrollment transition supports and development of an easy-to-use standardized vendorization packet
- December 2022: Continuing the Individual Budget and Spending Plan
- January 2023: Extension of weekly FMS payments
- February 2023: Technical Bulletin re: billing system enhancements

Upcoming Priorities

- Ongoing support of FMS providers
- Independent Facilitator Standards
- Regional Center Targets and Benchmarks





Office of the Self-Determination Ombudsperson

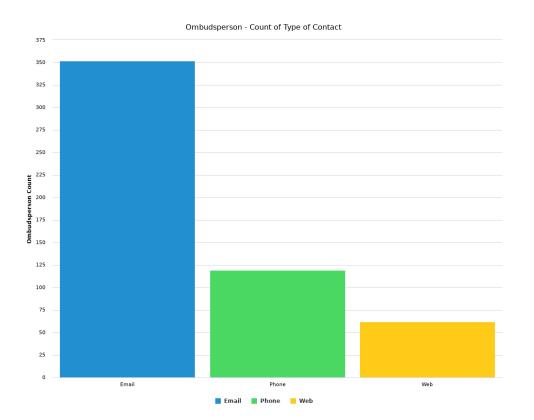
Creation of the Ombudsperson Office



AB 136 CREATED WIC <u>4685.9</u> SIGNED INTO LAW ON JULY 16, 2021.

OPENED OCTOBER 12, 2021.

Contacts to the Office as of 1/31/2023 for Fiscal Year 2022/2023



For fiscal year 2022/2023 the Office of the SDP Ombudsperson opened 533 inquiries between July 1, 2022 and January 31, 2023 through email, phone and web.

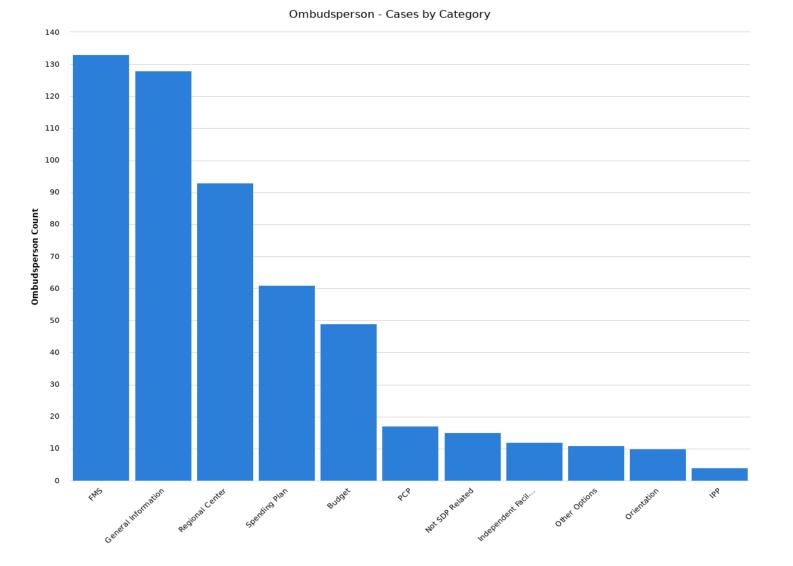
As of December 1st, the phone lines have gone live for callers to connect directly with staff.

Inquires by Category

These categories capture inquires statewide.

Track trends throughout the SDP process.

Identify common questions related to SDP.





Community Collaboration

- Local Advisory Committees
- Advocacy Groups
- Regional Center Participant Choice Specialist
- Independent Facilitators
- Family and Self-Advocacy Support Groups

Internal Partnership





Website at <u>Office of the Self-</u> <u>Determination Program Ombudsperson -</u> <u>CA Department of Developmental Services</u>



Email to <u>SDP.Ombudsperson@DDS.CA.GOV</u>

How to Get Information or Assistance



Call 1-877-658-9731

Resources

DDS Self-Determination Webpage:

Self-Determination Program (SDP) - CA Department of Developmental Services

Self-Determination Statute (WIC 4685.8): Law section (ca.gov)

Office of the Self-Determination Program Ombudsperson Statute (WIC 4685.9): Law section (ca.gov)

Office of the Self-Determination Program Ombudsperson:

Office of the Self-Determination Program Ombudsperson - CA Department of Developmental Services

If you have other questions, comments, or want to be notified of updates, please email <u>sdp@dds.ca.gov</u>