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**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
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DATE: February 23, 2023

TIME: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

COMMITTEE CHAIR: Kara Ponton

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER

Item 2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

Item 3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Item 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This item is for members of the public to provide comments and/or present information to this body on matters not listed on the agenda. There will be up to 20 minutes allocated to hear from the public with each person allotted up to 3 minutes to comment.

Additionally, there will be up to 10 minutes allocated to hear from the public on each Council agenda item, with each person allotted up to 1 minute to comment.

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AGENDA ITEM 5.

ACTION ITEM

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

Approval of May 2022 Minutes

Action Recommended

Approve the May 10, 2022, minutes.

Attachment(s)

May 10, 2022, Minutes



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**Membership Committee Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2022**

Attending Members

Harold Ashe (FA)
Kara Ponton, Chair (SA)
Maria Marquez (SA)
Rosanna Ryan (SA)

Members Absent

None

Others Attending

Aaron Carruthers
Beth Hurn
Chris Arroyo
Dena Hernandez
Julie Eby-Mckenzie
Ken DaRosa
Lisa Hooks

Others Attending (continued)

Manisha Strait
Mary Ellen Stives
Patricia Herrera
Robin Maitino-Erben
Scarlett vonThenen
Yolanda Cruz
Victoria Schlussler

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Kara Ponton (SA) called the meeting to order at 11:04 A.M.

2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

3. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Members and others introduced themselves as indicated.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 2022 MEETING MINUTES

It was moved/seconded (Ashe [FA]/Ryan [SA]) and carried to approve the January 3, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. (passed by acclimation, see page one for members present.)

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**

Committee Members discussed 1st term expired terms and recommended that the candidate(s) serve a second term. Committee Members reviewed applications for the two vacant Council seats (At Large and Orange County Region). Following their review, the Committee took the below actions.

It was moved/seconded (Ponton [SA]/Ashe [FA]) and carried to move applicants 567, 637, 652, and 658 forward to the interview process for the At Large Vacancy. (unanimous, see page one for members present.)

It was moved/seconded (Ponton [SA]/Ashe [FA]) and carried to move applicant 666 forward to the interview process for the Orange County Vacancy. (unanimous, see page one for members present.)

9. **RAC ROSTER**

The current RAC roster was presented to the Committee.

10. **REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION ON RAC APPLICATIONS**

The Committee reviewed both expiring first and second term appointments for the listed regional office Regional Advisory Committees (RACs) as well as applications for vacant seats and to the below action to approve manager's recommendations.

It was moved/seconded (Marquez [SA]/Ashe [FA]) and carried to adopt the regional manager's recommendations as indicated below. (Unanimous, see page one for members present)

- North State Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 659
- North Bay Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 656
- North Valley Hills Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 651 and 652
- Sequoia Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 664
- Los Angeles Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 650
- Orange County Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 667, 668, 669, 671 and 672

- San Diego Imperial Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 653
- San Bernardino Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 567, 637 and 662

Additionally, the following applicants have been put on the wait list to be appointed when a vacancy occurs.

Applicant Number

649, 658

11. LOCAL SDAC ROSTER

The current local SDAC roster was presented to the Committee.

12. REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION ON LOCAL SELF-DETERMINATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS

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

It was moved/seconded (Marquez [SA]/Ashe [FA]) and carried to adopt the mangers recommendations as follows. (Unanimous, see page one for members present)

- Appoint 243 – Inland Regional Center
- Appoint 240 – Kern Regional Center
- Appoint 254 and 235 – San Diego Regional Center
- Appoint 252 – Valley Mountain Regional Center

Additionally, the following applicants have been put on the wait list to be appointed when a vacancy occurs.

Applicant Number

- 248, 249 - Central Valley Regional Center
- 244 - Inland Regional Center
- 239 - South Central Los Angeles Regional Center
- 246 - San Diego Regional Center

13. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting at adjourned at 12:55 P.M.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6.
INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

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

Demographic Map

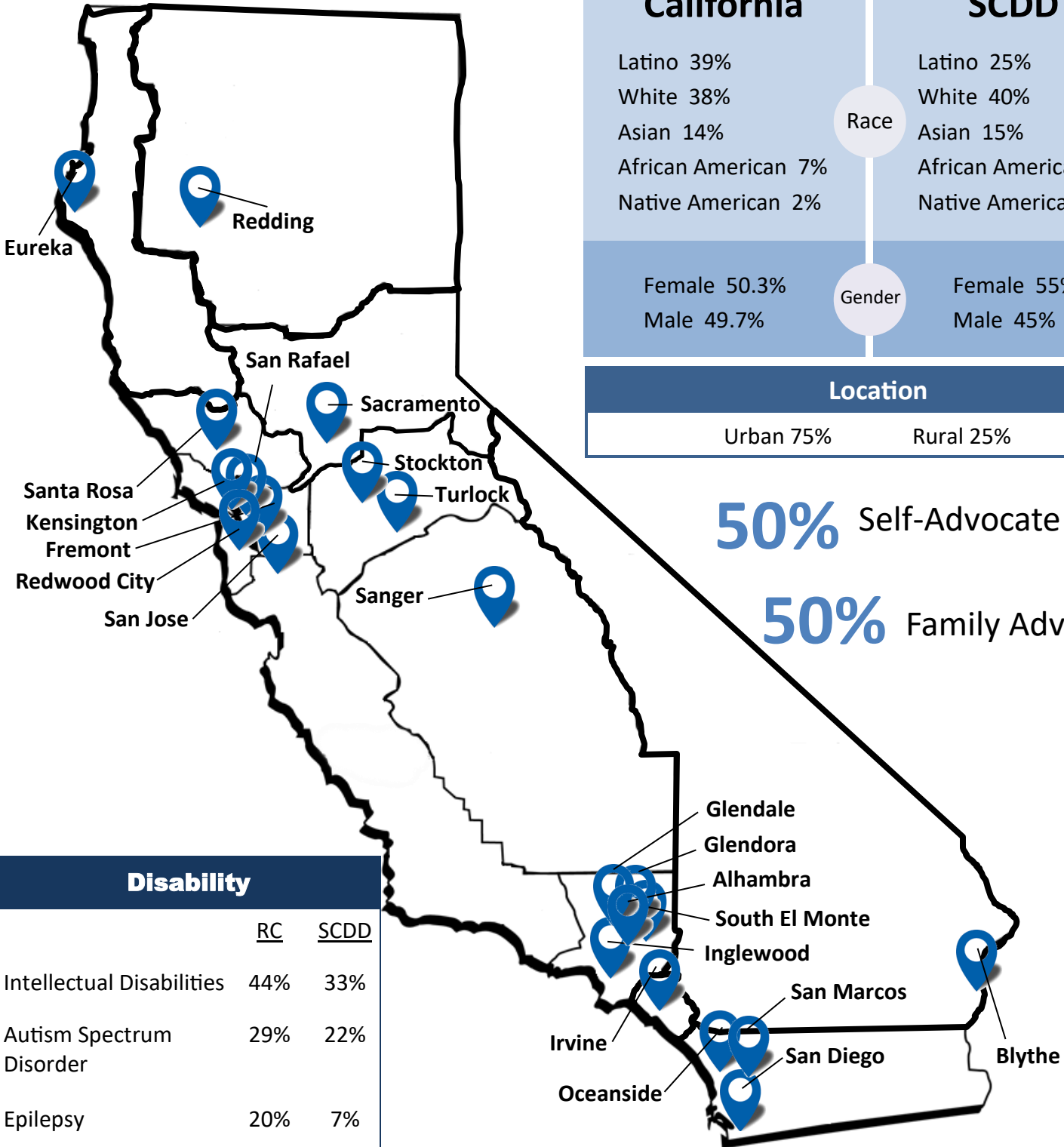
Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will go over the current Council make-up as well as the make-up showing the vacancies.

Attachment(s)

Current Demographic Map as of October 20, 2022

Who Are Our Council Members

Non-Agency
November 2022



California	SCDD
Latino 39%	Latino 25%
White 38%	White 40%
Asian 14%	Asian 15%
African American 7%	African American 15%
Native American 2%	Native American 5%
Race	
Female 50.3%	Female 55%
Male 49.7%	Male 45%
Gender	
Location	
Urban 75%	Rural 25%

50% Self-Advocate
50% Family Advocate

Disability	Disability	
	RC	SCDD
Intellectual Disabilities	44%	33%
Autism Spectrum Disorder	29%	22%
Epilepsy	20%	7%
Cerebral Palsy	9%	22%
Other	8%	15%

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	Harold Fujita (family advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
At Large 1	Eric Ybarra (self-advocate)	3/30/2022		3/30/2025			
At Large 2	Lee Bycel (family advocate)	6/14/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			
At Large 3	Harold Ashe (family advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
At Large 4	Wesley Witherspoon (self-advocate)	5/18/2018	3/30/2022	3/30/2025			
At Large 5	Julie Gaona (self-advocate)	10/20/2022		10/20/2025			
At Large 6	Maria Marquez (self-advocate)	2/8/2017	3/11/2020	3/11/2023			
At Large 7	Nicole Adler (self-advocate)	12/7/2018	3/30/2022	3/30/2025			
North Coast Region	Kara Ponton (self-advocate)	6/14/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			
North State Region	Rosanna Ryan (self-advocate)	6/14/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			

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)	6/14/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			
North Bay Region	Jeana Eriksen (self-advocate)	2/24/2017	3/11/2020	3/11/2023			
Bay Area Region	Alex Reyes (self-advocate)	3/30/2022		3/30/2025			
N. Valley Hills Region	Kilolo Brodie (family advocate)	7/7/2017	12/2/2020	12/2/2023			
Central Coast Region	Viviana Barnwell (family-advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
Sequoia Region	Michael Ellis (family advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
Los Angeles Region	Cathay Liu (family advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
Orange County Region	Michael Rillera (family advocate)	8/2/2022		8/2/2025			
San Bernardino Region	Julio Garnica (self-advocate)	7/9/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			
San Diego Imperial Region	Julie Austin (parent advocate)	11/18/2016	3/11/2020	3/11/2023			

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 Nick Wavrin, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Dept. of Aging	Susan DeMarois, Director Mark Beckley, 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	Michelle Baass, Director Richard Nelson, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Disability Rights CA	Andy Imparato, Director Sandra Smith, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
University Center for Excellence UCLA	Elizabeth Laugeson, Director	Ongoing	Ongoing				
University Center for Excellence USC	Larry Yin, Director	Ongoing	Ongoing				
University Center for Excellence UCD	Aubyn Stahmer, Director Janice Enriquez, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Non-Governmental Agency/Group Concerned with Services to Persons with DD	Julie Neward	12/7/2018	3/30/2022	3/30/2025			

Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

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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 expiring 2nd term seats.

Recommendation

Move selected applicants forward to the interview process.

Attachment(s)

Applications for the Following Seats Through Number 718

- At Large
- North Bay Region
- San Diego Imperial Region

Handout(s)

There may be additional handouts the day of the meeting.

AT-LARGE APPLICATIONS

Redacted Membership Application

MM-661

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian, 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:

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

I am the parent of a young adult with a dual diagnosis of 22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome and Autism. My daughter was identified as having global developmental delays as an infant and received Regional Center services until she turned 3. From age three to 17 I navigated special education to ensure she was included and received a free and appropriate public education.

Just prior to turning 18, my daughter again qualified for Regional Center services under autism and fifth category. Currently, I provide support for my daughter by navigating her mental health services, Regional Center services, SSDI, Department of Rehabilitation services, disabled student services at the community college she attends, transportation coordination, medical care and more.

For five years I worked at the WarmLine Family Resource Center providing parent-to-parent support to families with children who have disabilities. I also coordinated events for WarmLine and conducted outreach and special education trainings.

I am finishing my second term serving on the SCDD Regional Advisory Committee, for which I am currently chair. I am also finishing my second term serving on the City of Sacramento's Disabilities Advisory Commission, for which I am also the chair.

I am also working with AbleLight Cornerstone advocating for affordable housing options in the Sacramento Region for those who have intellectual and development disabilities.

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

Inclusion, affordable housing and safety.

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

I have enjoyed my time serving on the SCDD Regional Advisory Committee and look forward to learning more and continuing to have an impact on creating a culture of inclusion in the state of California.

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

My experience detailed above. I also work in the communications field and have a proven record of community building.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-663

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sacramento**

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: 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 an adult son with a disability.

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

Policy, Fiscal and Community Engagement

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

I am retired and want to help more in the disability community.

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

I am a previous Regional Center Board member, I have time to support the efforts of the Council, I worked for ten Dept. Of Aging and the Department of Rehabilitation in developing programs and managing grants.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-665

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Monterey**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American, Hispanic or Latino, 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?:

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 as an ILS worker and study social work. I see that we have come a long ways but there's still more to accomplish. I have a strong belief that the world needs to have accessibility for everyone. I see the barriers our country still has and while I work directly with the people who face these issues, I can advocate for them. I see these issues first hand and I have an understanding of what we need to bridge the gaps. I can ask the people I have the honor of working with to see what change needs to happen for them.

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

My biggest areas of interest are job equality and accessibility, adaptive parenthood, and equal and accessible education. I also have a large interest in accessible public transportation and accessibility in public areas such a national parks, beaches, and neighborhood parks.

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 Disabilities because I have worked directly with people with developmental issues and want to advocate with them. I want to have discussions directly with the people I work with and people they know in order to address the areas that need improvement. I spend nearly every day working with people who have developmental disabilities and I see where the barriers are. Although I do not know what it is like to have a developmental disability, I know how to have the discussions that are necessary to try to address the problems our ableist society has created for them. The disability isn't the issue, the world as it currently is needs to be redesigned for everyone to access.

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

I would bring my experience working with people with developmental disabilities, my knowledge about the current issues many people with developmental disabilities are facing, my passion for creating a world of equality, and my understanding that dialogue is key to making real change. We cannot decide for others what is best for them, we must work hand in hand with the community. I can see the areas in which many are struggling, but I don't know the entire story. I will be happy to advocate for those who are willing to share their story. I can help be their voice for those who may not be ready to speak, and help empower them and be heard.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-674

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, 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?:

Unknown

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

Employment, Government Benefits, Housing

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 advocate for people with autism

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

Knowledge and Leadership

Redacted Membership Application

MM-675

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?:

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 a daughter with Cerebral Palsy and is non verbal

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

I would like to join a committee where I can be voices for my community

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

Would like to advocate for children in the school system who need there voices heard

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

I am a team player and have many friends with young children's with significant disabilities. I am also a specials needs liaison in my daughters PTA. I was chair for the CAC for SVUSD 2020. I also served in the CAC voting member for two years.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-678

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

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: 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 attended past events.

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

Support for school aged children

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 and support children like my son

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

I am methodical, passionate and detail oriented.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-679

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:

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?:

It started with my son, as well as with a difficult first IEP. Even though, I had a background in health education (specializing in systems navigation), I found the systems that serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to be opaque, confusing and not as helpful as they could be. As a result, I decided to turn my attention to the disability community (this time it was personal) and (along with my husband) started a support group for parents on children (of any age) with Asperger syndrome. This led to other opportunities including becoming a parent mentor for the Koch Young FRC, serving on the board of the Autism Society of Los Angeles and for the last 24 years working at the USC UCEDD at CHLA. Needless to say, this is a field that I am passionate about.

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

Equity, employment, education and fostering independence (and supporting parent/caregiver comfort in learning to let go).

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 a fan of the SCDD for many years, but felt there was some conflict since I worked for a sister agency (USC UCEDD). I retired last week and now feel comfortable pursuing the involvement that is of interest to me. I really respect the Los Angeles Regional Office and have had the opportunity to work with them on other projects. I would love to continue that relationship.

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

I am a good "program person". My work has been developing programs in collaboration with community based organizations (especially parent run groups serving communities of color). I am skilled at writing curricula and training. I am a good team member and believe in collaboration and negotiation. I also bring a commitment to helping people get the information they need to make good decisions rather than telling them what to think.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-680

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

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 and knowledge of the developmental disability field and service system develop by my eager to help out and advocate for this community.

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

My areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system are advocating for better/more services/rate to vendors and to assist in providing better understanding of services and self determination.

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 serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities and/or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees because there is a lack of Asian Community Representation. I wish to advocate for those who are under represented in this particular community.

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

The strength I bring to this community is I am currently a Volunteer and a board member at my child Community Advisory Committee. I have attended Legislative Days and have advocate numerous times for my child and other students. I am also a volunteer for a nonprofit group called Vietnamese Parents with Disabled Children. I believe as a parent with a child with Disability, we all need to bring awareness for their rights and not have them be discriminated from their peers. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-681

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:

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?:

Help people

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

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

People

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

Yes

Redacted Membership Application

MM-682

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego 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?:

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?:

Sibling of individual with developmental disabilities

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

All areas are of 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:

I wish to serve to provide families and guardians all the necessary resources . I want to help them best served in the community, with being on the State Council or Regional Advisory Committee.

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

Offering skills acquired academically and professionally. I bring compassion, interpersonal communication, knowledge on development disabilities, bilingual, and awareness of serving overlooked subgroups of disabled individuals.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-683

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

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?:

I have 3 children that are Regional Center Consumers

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

Services and Resources

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

I server in my Community as a resource center for person with developmental disability

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

My people skill and the knowledge with working with people that has a disability.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-685

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Contra Costa County**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White, Ashkenazi Jewish

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 have a developmental disability myself, so I didn't really have much choice in the matter.

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

I'm of course particularly interested in areas that effect me personally, as an autistic adult living independently in the community. So things like adult services and issues of community accessibility and inclusion. I find most things interesting, though, and also care about many areas that don't directly effect me.

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

I've been looking for opportunities to get more involved in advocacy for some time. I've also attended a few RAC meetings, and felt it was something I'd like to be involved with.

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

I'm very persistent, and have become a pretty effective self-advocate. I have a strong sense of justice and fairness, and tend to speak up when I see injustice.

I understand new information quickly, and retain a large portion of the information I encounter. I also think very logically, and do well with rules and details. Consequently, I tend to be pretty good at learning and understanding policy issues.

I spend a lot of time on social media in social justice circles, and have a growing awareness of various issues impacting a range of marginalized communities, and intersectionality with disability issues.

I can also touch my tongue to my nose, but I have yet to find any applications for that particular skill.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-686

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sacramento**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

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?:

I partnered with the SCDD to host Sacramento's 19th Annual Juneteenth Festival. In addition I have a 16 years old daughter with Downs Syndrome. I have always wanted to get involved with an organization to further the cause of advocating for children and adults with disabilities

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

Advocacy, governmental relations and event management

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

I feel to often that the disabled members of the community are not given the attention, advocacy and resources needed to address the ever changing landscape of living with and working through a disability. I'd like to lend my talents(diverse) to assist this population as an advocate, mouthpiece and resource to remind others that these folks are here with us and need (deserve) our respect and assistance.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:
Community realtions (20 years as Director of Muticultural Affairs, Visit Sacramento), Governmental relations (Campaign Manager to two Sacramento City Councilmembers) Fundraising, Event Management, Sales and Marketing , Business(boardmember Sac Black Chamber of Commerce and Public Relations

Redacted Membership Application

MM-687

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?:

As a college student I was interested in how the mind worked in education. After earning a Learning Disability credential, I gave birth to a beautiful baby who later was found to have cerebral palsy. I went on to teach students with disabilities and then became the principal over the adult transition program in my district. I have lived individuals with disabilities all my life and feel it has been my life long mission to serve this population.

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

As a mother, teacher and principal I am interested in all areas from helping parents navigate the IEP process to the ILP process at Regional Center. I am also interested helping parents and individuals prepare for independent living options! The self determination process and special needs trusts is another area of interest.

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

one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I needed a lot of support in the 1980s when information and support had to be a constant battle. Then when my son moved out on his own with RC support there were areas he was not prepared for so I'd like to lend my experience to help others. For instant what does the individual do when the electricity go out or cable tv? Having multiple battery operated lanterns is more helpful than flashlights. I am retired now and want to lend my knowledge and expertise to help others! I have also been president of education groups and testified before the Senate Education Committed in support of legislative bills. I believe I can fit in to the State Council or local RC and bring a wide array of experiences to the organization. I also know what's best practices in serving individuals with disabilities, how Zoom needs to be better and aligned to job skills and the isolation and depression our family members experience especially with the shortage of staff . I want to make a difference!

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

I am a collaborator and will listen to all views. I am educated in individuals with disabilities and know the needs from birth to senior citizen! I'm organized and confidentiality is critical.I have been trained in advocacy by RC.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-688

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sonoma**

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?:

In 2006 I was working for a Residential home and It was my first time working with people with disabilities. I was given a tour of the facility and I was so scared. It was so loud in there and there was so much movement. I talked to the director because I didn't think this job was for me. The director sat down with me and asked me to give it a shot. He said "Try working just one day and if you feel this isn't the right job for you then I will accept you resignation." So on my first day at the residential home it was time to pass out meds. I started to pass out meds offering them water and asking which pill do they want to start with? My thinking was if I give them choices they will take the meds and I'll have a successful med pass. I just remember looking into their eyes as the took the pill cup from and I seen this beautiful innocence and I fell in love. After take I made it my job to ensure they have as many if not more opportunities than anyone else. From residential dsp to day program dsp to day program director to supported employment director to person centered planning trainer. Working in this field is my passion and let it guide me.

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

My focus is Inclusion! In the workplace, community, and education. I feel strongly about educating and

supporting business on creating a culture of inclusion. I believe if we just invest people they will thrive and be successful but sometimes their barriers are the service systems.

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

I'm passionate about creating a systematic change. It's 2022 and I'm not seeing inclusion or enough advocacy for opportunities. I'd like to serve so I advocate for a systematic change and develop an inclusion council in every community. I want to ensure every person has opportunities and get to experience the best life they can live.

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

My strengths are my resilient and empathic leadership skills. I'm also an innovative thinker with creative ideas.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-689

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Santa Clara**

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?:

I have three biological children, ages 12, 14, and 17, with current Individual Education Programs (IEP's) within the Morgan Hill Unified School District: All have been diagnosed with an 'Auditory Processing Disorder' and two children with ADD / ADHD diagnosis per the Primary Care Pediatrician.

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

I am a former Mental Health Therapist / Clinician and current Social Worker with over twenty years of experience serving clients / patients with behavioral and developmental disabilities via government and non-profit organizations, I hope to continue as an active advocate serving individuals 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 am a staunch advocate and supporter of public education and believe that so much more can be done to champion the educational services and facilities currently provided to and received by all students in

California. As a life-long resident of California, as well as recipient of k-12 public education, I have observed an extensive growth in population with an even greater need to provide expansions in technology and new construction projects to adequately serve not only our growing student population, but to better and adequately serve our students with developmental disabilities.

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

I have worked and volunteered extensively with historically underserved diverse ethnic populations ranging from age preschool to older adults, representing various languages, religious, and gender orientation. With more than twenty years of post-graduate experience as a social worker, I have obtained firsthand knowledge working with underserved, underrepresented and disenfranchised students and their family members in the areas of education, behavioral health, foster care, criminal justice and healthcare in California; and I hope to share this knowledge and experience to assist the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee in all areas of advocacy for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-690

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

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?:

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:

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

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

self advocacy

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

no

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

nothing

Redacted Membership Application

MM-691

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Fresno**

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, 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 and knowledge of the developmental disability field and service system developed gradually over time. First, as a dual language teacher, administrator, trainer of trainers and curriculum auditor in economically disadvantaged areas for at risk populations. Then with my own children, experiencing first hand the challenges, barriers, and disparities to equal access, equity, inclusion and quality of needed services that they and others in the disabled community experienced every day in education, health, employment, community and independent living. I know I am not alone, and see how much work needs to be done to increase equal access and equity, and create an inclusive setting for all families, especially in the Central Valley and rural areas.

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

#1) Civil rights and full inclusion in education, health/safety and self determination.

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

To advocate for equal access and equity through systemic change for people with disabilities to make tomorrow better than yesterday, be a voice to the marginalized and to ensure that people with developmental disabilities and their families receive the services and supports they need.

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

I am a parent of children with disabilities, with IEPs and clients of regionals center. I am a current CVRC Self Determination LAC Member. I recently completed COPAA SEAT1 and COPAA SEAT2 Non-Attorney Advocate Training. I have a Masters in Education and continue to hold credentials in Administration and Supervision, Multiple Subject Teaching Cred., Supplemental in Business. I have a Bachelor of Science in Business Admin- Minor: Marketing. Prior Work experience includes: Education Facilitator/Consultant: Curriculum Audit, School-wide Reading Improvement Committee , Title IV - Bilingual Resource Teacher, K-12 Administrator, English Learner Resource Coach, BTSA Support Provider, School-wide Improvement Leadership Team Member, CELDT Coordinator/DIBELS Facilitator, English Instruction for English Advancement Facilitator, Literacy Across The Curriculum Facilitator, ELD Presenter/CELDT Facilitator, Promotion and Retention Committee Team Member, District Math Standards Committee Team Member, Science Fair Chairperson, Lit Conn Assessment Leader and Team Member, Curriculum Committee Team Member, School Site Council Member 21st Century Learning Center Advisory Committee Team Member, School Wide Planning Committee Team Member, Leadership Team, Bilingual Advisory Committee Team Member, Student Study Team Leader, Systematic ELD Training – Susana Dutro DIBELS Facilitator Peer Coaching Facilitator, Latino Literacy Project Facilitator, Curriculum Audit Process of Supervision and Walk-Thru Facilitator, ELD/Curriculum/Standards Alignment Team Member, School-Wide Leveled Reading Intervention Leadership Member.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-692

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **alameda**

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, 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?:

a serve families whit the disabilities

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

training for paresnt in self determination,and identified early sign,more trainin EIP

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

Aneed provide more suppor all familes and also provide tols for self advogacy

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

my experinece in the comunity and work directly whit the parents for hel navegate in the system

Redacted Membership Application

MM-694

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

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?:

Lifetime career

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

Having the system work for people 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 am retired and I want to show in a in any capacity I can

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

40 years use of professional experience and 60 years of having Cerebral Palsy and a spinal code injury

Redacted Membership Application

MM-695

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Del Norte**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: American Indian/Native Alaskan

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?:

Parent of an adult child with

Down Syndrome, Area Director Special Olympics 20+ yrs, formally employed with an RCRC vendored program. I have been employed as a HeadStart manager, Tribal Court under a State Judge. Currently employed 25 years for NCO AmeriCorps Senior providing services thru volunteerism in schools with children with special needs.

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

Advocacy and supports

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

I think supporting locally in our rural community with information related to self advocacy and available support services for both individuals and their family. I think its important to stay informed of current

legislation as it effects our families.

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

I have worked for many years advocating. I understand the importance of listening. As a resource in my community for many years, I can share my knowledge while also acquiring new knowledge to share in my rural communities.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-696

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Indian

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?:

Parent of an autistic son who shares the same issues of parents and community members from attending many such meetings in san francisco bay area

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

Housing, Employment for Autistic adults

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

Bring parent's perspective, and help making decisions that help the community of parents of differently abled persons. Employment is not just for the sake of money, but important to give purpose, structure to anyone's life, more so for the adults in the autistic spectrum. Making them productive members of society is important for all.

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

First hand experience as a parent of an autistic child, I am aware of the challenges these helpless kids and their parents face. Also, as a tech person living and working in SF bay area, I am deeply aware of the power of small communities and collaborative work environments that can bring positive changes to millions of people world over. I am curious about the social housing/employment models for such differently abled adults all over the world - Scandinavia, India, and spends a lot of time studying and trying to get the best of the ideas to implement in our local communities.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-698

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?:

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 younger brother had a rare, neurodegenerative genetic disorder called Hunter Syndrome. He was my best friend. After his passing, I quickly found out that my unborn baby would have the same disorder. I have spent my life as a caretaker. Becoming a mother of a child with disabilities led me further into advocacy. I see now more than ever how far we have come as a country and a state, but also how much further we need to go to become equitable and accessible. I feel that I was born to be the voice of children and adults like my brother and son that cannot advocate for themselves.

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

Accessibility with DME such as wheelchair access, better education in place within the special education field to fit the variety of needs, reform in the structure of Medicaid based therapy (CCS, etc) eligibility, and better financial assistance to families to access necessary equipment such as adaptive vehicles.

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

I feel fortunate to raise my disabled child in the state of California. We have access to programs that other states do not offer. I feel as though my child is generally cared for here. But, I know that a lot more needs to be done for this underserved population. As a person that has been a caretaker of a developmentally disabled child their entire life, I know what those needs are. I want to be a part of the solution and to help further our state as a leader in this nation for disability services. I want to be a listener for the disabled population here and use my voice to represent their needs.

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

I am a mother, a sister, and an advocate. I have a unique perspective in the world of developmental disabilities. I am persistent and passionate. I enjoy sharing my story to promote change while uplifting others to do the same. I am deeply involved in my community and would graciously further that connection as a representative.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-699

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?:

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 had my disability since I was a child, the lack of disability advocacy in main stream America.

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

Real equal opportunity in employment, and not just it a written in policy's and procedures of a company.

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

Living forty two years with a disability and never having the opportunity to be exercise reasonable accommodations when they were so needed. Makes it my duty to fight for reasonable accommodations for those whom needs them the most. To make reasonable accommodations more than just a section in an employee handbook. To force companies to exercise those accommodations.

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

To elaborate and analyze crucial facts, so important subjects are brought to a collective group of thinkers

Redacted Membership Application

MM-701

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: 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?:

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:

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

I had the privilege of being raised with a cousin that has Down Syndrome. As children we were the disabled duo. Me in my wheelchair and him pushing me around. As we got older I realized how fortunate I was to not only have my own lived experience, but to also see the similarities and differences Larry and I faced having different disabilities. While we both faced discrimination and ableism, I was treated differently because of my communication skills. It wasn't till high school that I realized it was partially my responsibility to teach Larry how to stand up for himself and make sure everyone always knew what he wanted too. It's continued to be that way now.

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

1. Disaster Preparedness and Recovery
2. Healthcare Equity
3. Integrated Employment
4. Voting Access
5. Youth Transition

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

There's a lot of work to be done. I'm committed to being a part of the solutions and working towards changing systems that lack disability competency, consumer/family control and access for people with I/DD.

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

Twenty-three years of my career has been spent working towards disability rights and disability justice for the cross-disability community. I believe strongly in the motto, Nothing About Us, Without Us, had a daughter with I/DD who passed away from a seizure in 2016. I understand the issues that people with I/DD face, have not only been a parent and family member, but an ally and partner to many others. Ultimately I'd like to be a part of the great work that the SCDD has done and continues to do.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-702

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

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?:

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?:

Working as a public defender with people with developmental disabilities in LA County

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

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD)

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

Over 29 years of expertise, publications and public speaking around the US on advocating for people with developmental disabilities

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

Public speaking, legislative work, publishing, consulting

Redacted Membership Application

MM-703

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Joaquin**

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 attended a community advisory committee meeting at the San Joaquin County Office of Education.

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

Advocating for services and providing education related to the 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:

I am a parent of a 4 year old with Autism. I have found a significant lack of education and resources to newly diagnosed families hinders early intervention and support services.

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

I am passionate about advocating for the special needs community. As a mental health professional I am also acutely aware of the emotional impact any diagnosis has on a family and community.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-704

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **LA**

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?:

My interest in this topic arose when I began working for agencies that work with individuals with mental disabilities. I came across different situations where I was not okay with the treatment this individual was receiving. As an advocator, I want to make a change and ensure that everyone is treated with respect despite their disabilities. I aim to be the change and not allow no one to take advantage of individuals with disabilities, and I am their voice for change. The change starts with me, and it is time I take action and encourage the following generations to do the same.

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

I have the ability to help individuals reintegrate into society. These are individuals who have been neglected and ignored by the community. I have the opportunity to help them become one of us and help them gain their voice. I want to be the change for them and help them find themselves. I want to change how society views individuals with disabilities. I want to assist beyond helping them with their basic needs; I want to help them become successful.

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 team player who enjoys working with other individuals and creating a plan of action. There are different individuals with different knowledge backgrounds and experiences that encounter themselves. Their knowledge and experiences are what will help the disabled community. Our mission is to assist individuals with disabilities, and we will be the change as a group. I worked for agencies and did not make a change; therefore, I want to go beyond and continue my mission, and as a council member/ regional advisory committee, I will be able to bring awareness of the constant problems they encounter daily.

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

I am an advocator for change and do not take no for an answer. I am motivated and passionate about what I do. I am a great listener. I have worked in this field and have seen how the disabled community is treated; therefore, they encourage me daily to fight for change. Most importantly, I will be the voice of those who cannot advocate for themselves.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-705

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Riverside**

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?:

My interest in the field of developmental disability began when my son was diagnosed with Autism and Developmental Disability. As I researched and learned more about the services, support and laws concerning individuals with disabilities, I began to further understand the need for and importance of becoming involved for advocating and voicing the unique needs not only for my son but for others as well within the disabled community.

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

I am interested in advocating for better services and support that focus on transition services, dental needs, educational support and advocacy at the state level as well.

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 serving because I am committed to being a vocal advocate for the needs of all disabled community. I also believe that to be an inclusive society, we must work diligently in providing families and

individuals with disabilities the support and services needed to access the same rights and opportunities as all other Americans.

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

I am hard working, passionate about social justice issues, reliable, kind and optimistic about the infinite possibilities when individuals work together towards the common good.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-706

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Orange**

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?:

Parent of a 31 year old special needs adult who has been in SDP for 18 months. Passionate advocate for communicating the value of SDP and helping to identify and implement solutions to the top barriers.

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

Adults in SDP, transition from parental support as parents age, effective communication to persons served and their advocates, supporting effective self-advocacy

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

I am both grateful and passionate about the rights of adults with disabilities in the state of california. I want to improve the systems and leave the world a better place due to my initiative and efforts.

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

I was born with an abundance of empathy and interest in ensuring everyone's voice is valued. I'm a career service executive so I have many strengths and talents that would help improve our effectiveness

at serving people with disabilities and making sure their voice is first in any conversation - communication, problem solving, effective escalation processes, scorecards, care and growth for all participants (in the service world - clients and staff; in the SCDD world - persons served and those serving the persons and the framework in which they provide the services - policies, procedures, benchmarks, etc). As a parent of a person in the SDP program for 18 months and RC consumer for over 5 years, I have personal and direct experience from the family perspective. Lastly I'm helping survey for the NCI survey this year and my mind is racing with ideas to help improve service for those served.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-707

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, 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 attended the TASH annual conference in Phoenix, AZ last week and learned about this council!

I am a life long educator and more importantly, mother of 5 foster-adopted (now) young adults. Creating a diverse family introduced me to the world of special education and disability rights.

My own children lead me to pivot from working as a high school counselor into teaching special education. I have also served as a principal and district level special education administrator. I currently work as an administrator in the Division of Special Education at the Los Angeles County Office of Education. I am passionate about all learners.

Meanwhile, our youngest son will be finishing an Adult Transition program this year as he is turning 22. He has been a regional center client since middle school and we take full advantage of the regional center support. We have had ups and downs, but he is in a good place living independently with support

and we use a shared decision making model.

It would be an honor to participate on the council.

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

I have noticed that the connection between K-12 public schools, regional centers and other service providers isn't as strong as it could be leaving parents, like myself, to struggle.

I'm interested in the intersection of public education and disability rights, with a specific interest in collaboration, increased communication and legislation.

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

I think the Council would be a great opportunity to engage with a variety of perspectives which can help inform the work we do in public education. It would be an amazing resource and source of connections to those who are experts in the field.

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

I have vast experience in the field of education and specifically, educating students with developmental delays. I can bring the lens of an educator and parent!

Redacted Membership Application

MM-709

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sacramento**

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?:

A 12-5-22 formal DX of Autism, ADHD. Testing for FXS. I have a background in public safety/emergency health care as a licensed Paramedic.

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

Autism, understanding the needs of people with one of the 3 levels of support needed. ADHD. I would like to see the state of Ca as an employer start to recognize people, due to medical need, need to be trained in a different manner in some cases. How best to do this is a tough path.

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

I was just diagnosed at the age of 55 with Autism and ADHD. At this point, I am not sure how I can best serve, but I do want to learn and help by applying my own story, education, life and provide support.

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

I am honest, punctual, I excel at research, its a profession and a hobby, I am articulate, and have a genuine desire to learn and help if I can.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-710

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

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?

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?:

Help people

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

Services

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

No

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

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Redacted Membership Application

MM-711

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?:

I am a parent of a 17 year old who is a person with autism. That same child is also a pediatric cancer survivor. He is a lifelong resident of the inland empire so we have navigated all our services here including public schools, selpas and regional centers. Last year I obtained my doctorate in education researching autism inclusion so I am continuing the professional and scholarly work of amplifying the voices of individuals with autism in academic and community settings. This year I edited a contributed to scholarly book on the same topic. I have been on the selpa cac for over a decade including as public information officer and as legislative affairs chair

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

Autism, autism inclusion, eliminating barriers to access, leg affairs

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

I think I can be helpful

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

I have a string working knowledge of the systems that serve individuals and families because we currently access them. I also have researched the spaces where inclusion breaks down and have personally developed actionable methods to support those areas. I am deeply committed to service related to these topics

Redacted Membership Application

MM-712

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

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?:

My Daughter is developmentally disabled

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

Learning job skills, recreational opportunities

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 investigate and participate in better programs for disabled persons.

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

I am raising my Daughter, who is a 40 year old adult female with Downs Syndrome.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-713

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

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?

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 oldest son Bryce, now 19, was diagnosed with ASD at the age of 6. I then transitioned in adult residential facilities to create a home for my son.

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

I want to service the community. As a facility owner, soon to be BCBA, I want to offer my expertise to service our community.

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 because representation matters. I want to offer and gain knowledge and make a difference to our various communities in California.

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

I own three adult residential facilities, I operate a non profit called I'm Ausome, I am a mother of a child with a disability and I was created to help others.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-714

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Humboldt**

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?:

I have a brain injury from when I was 9 and 16! I worked most my life. When I've been unable to work because of my disability, my life has fallen apart. The system was difficult to navigate and I believe in civic duty. I can continue to make a difference for individuals with disabilities.

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

Being disabled and able to accomplish the things I did was difficult. I was a teenager when I became passionate about creating inclusive programs as well as adaptive programs. I wanted to provide opportunities to people with disabilities and adapt activities so that almost anyone can participate.

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

I believe I can make a difference in my community. I hope to make change and improve services in our rural area. For most of my career I was a canoe instructor and naturalist. I was able to do things not many people with my injury could accomplish. I was told I wouldn't be able to do all of it. I want to help

people reach their dreams and live their best life. I feel I could help someone in a similar situation advocate for themselves and navigate the system.

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

I'm educated and familiar with governmental, non profit and for profit organizations. I have an understanding of legislative and municipal duties. My disability has prevented me from the being in the workplace but not in making a difference in my community or participating as a functional member of society. A passion for social change!

Redacted Membership Application

MM-715

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

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?:

My interest in serving the intellectually and developmentally disabled (IDD) population began in college when I worked at the YMCA as a personal aide to a five-year-old boy with Down Syndrome for a summer. Having no prior training with this population, I worked daily with him to develop communication and social skills through practicing sign language and basketball. I then went on to volunteer with intellectually and developmentally disabled adults in the kitchen of an Adult Education Day Center as they learned job skills. When contemplating my future and deciding my career path, I knew I wanted to work with and become an advocate for the IDD population. During medical school, I became part of the Healthcare for All Scholars Program through the American Medical Student Association, a program through which I was able to learn not only about current healthcare law and pending and proposed legislation, but also to understand socioeconomic restrictions to healthcare access and how I can recognize and influence the removing of these barriers as a practicing physician. As part of my final project for this program, I further researched healthcare disparities specifically for the intellectually and developmentally disabled population and was invited to present my findings at the American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry's (AADMD) Annual National Conference. I was then invited by one of the founding

members of the AADMD and CEO of Louisville's Lee Specialty Clinic, Dr. Matt Holder, to spend a month training in family medicine at this clinic that uniquely serves only adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Throughout this month, I treated patients with both simple and complex genetic abnormalities and learned the art of tailoring traditional family medicine to each individual. I became efficient at writing effective letters of medical necessity, gathering collateral information from family members and caregivers, and conducting careful inspection of current medication regimens and drug interactions, especially relative to antibiotics and psychotropic medications. In 2017, I presented a resolution to the California Academy of Family Physicians (CAFP) calling to acknowledge the intellectually and developmentally disabled population as a medically underserved population. This was subsequently accepted and adopted into the CAFPP Policy Handbook. I also presented my lecture on "Intellectual & Developmental Disability Population Health Care Inadequacies - A Call To Action" at the American Academy of Developmental Medicine & Dentistry 2017 Conference in Houston, Texas. I also received 1st place poster presentation for this as well. As a medical resident I continued to education my fellow residents on the IDD population by giving lectures on medical issues pertinent to this population. It is through all these experiences that my drive to serve this population began and continues to flourish.

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

Health policy, advocacy, access to care, appropriate medical care, educating families and healthcare providers

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 serve on either my Orange County Regional Advisory Committee or on the State Council in order to continue my advocacy work for this population with the help and backing of the SCDD. I would bring a unique perspective as a member of the medical community and work with others to formulate ideas on how to best and further advocate for this population to get them the quality resources that they need, especially in healthcare. I want to continue to be a voice the IDD community and would be honored to do this with the SCDD.

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

Prior advocacy and health policy experience, medical training and specialization in the IDD population (as well as the Regional Centers), team-player and dedicated to serving this population, willing to give presentations and help draft policy/advocacy measures, understanding of the Lanterman Act and Regional Center services

Redacted Membership Application

MM-716

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, 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?:

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've been working with individuals with I/DD on employment and day programming since 2019. I have advocated for individuals both at the State and Federal level. I currently own a company that does independent facilitation and provides consulting services.

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

Self Determination and transition services for those leaving the school system. Also leadership training among those with I/DD.

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

I have an innate understanding of the issue facing self determination. FMS are not given the support needed, causing a risk to the program as a whole. I'm also biliterate in Spanish and want to address the disparity issues.

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

I understand the system and bring innovative ideas. I come with a spirit of collaboration in order to address the pressing issues affecting SDP.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-717

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?

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?:

My interest and knowledge of the developmental disability field and service system has grown from my professional experience which has spanned over 33 years working with school aged children as a bilingual general education teacher, school administrator for both public and non-public schools, and a special education advocate. The last twelve years I have exclusively focused on working with children diagnosed with various disabilities and/or receiving special education services at public schools and non-public schools, and their families. In order to serve children and their families I have participated in numerous trainings and volunteered for numerous conferences. Currently, I am a long term trainee for the San Diego LEND program that have resulted in increasing my interest and dedication to improve the service systems that support people with disabilities.

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

I am most interested in ensuring that children benefit from integrating services from various providers (schools, medical, private providers, etc.) and most importantly that individuals with disabilities and parents play a central role in the development of the services and supports that are provided.

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

My desire is to be a voice for people with disability and their families. I am committed to advocating for a truly inclusive society that values all people.

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

I bring a depth of knowledge in the education and special education field. I bring a diverse perspective, as a person with a Mexican heritage, I am able to understand the challenges that people with a primary language other than English face when they are seeking supports and services. I also understand the importance of ensuring equitable and inclusive practices in all service systems. I am a creative problem solver and open to outside the box thinking. I believe that every challenge is simply an obstacle that is waiting to be overcome. Finally, I value collaborative work.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-718

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

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?:

I have been a long time member of San Diego People First and the SSAN

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

Self-Determination and Person-Centered Planning

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 grow in my Self-Advocacy and touch the lives of others.

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

I have strong organizational, analytical, and problem solving skills. I also like to write.



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

Name: [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED]
County of Residence: Solano
Region: North Bay
Email: [REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]
Race: African- American

Eligible for vacant

I am a: person with a developmental disability, 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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or a regional advisory committee?
Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council
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?

Because I am a person with a developmental disability and I wanted to learn more because I couldn't get any help for me, my daughter, and my husband.

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

Since I have a home, the most important thing is advocating for other people to be able to live where they want to live. Also I have a daughter and I want to help people know what services and how to get services for their kids instead of people telling parents no, no, no...they don't have anything.

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

Because it will help me get a voice. I came to the point of speaking out more.

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

I know how to talk. I know how to speak and understand on behalf of other disabled people. I can share my experiences and spread the knowledge I have.

NORTH BAY APPLICATIONS

Redacted Membership Application

MM-688

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sonoma**

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?:

In 2006 I was working for a Residential home and It was my first time working with people with disabilities. I was given a tour of the facility and I was so scared. It was so loud in there and there was so much movement. I talked to the director because I didn't think this job was for me. The director sat down with me and asked me to give it a shot. He said "Try working just one day and if you feel this isn't the right job for you then I will accept you resignation." So on my first day at the residential home it was time to pass out meds. I started to pass out meds offering them water and asking which pill do they want to start with? My thinking was if I give them choices they will take the meds and I'll have a successfull med pass. I just remember looking into their eyes as the took the pill cup from and I seen this beautiful innocence and I fell in love. After take I made it my job to ensure they have as many if not more opportunities than anyone else. From residential dsp to day program dsp to day program director to supported employment director to person centered planning trainer. Working in this field is my passion and let it guide me.

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

My focus is Inclusion! In the workplace, community, and education. I feel strongly about educating and

supporting business on creating a culture of inclusion. I believe if we just invest people they will thrive and be successful but sometimes their barriers are the service systems.

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

I'm passionate about creating a systematic change. It's 2022 and I'm not seeing inclusion or enough advocacy for opportunities. I'd like to serve so I advocate for a systematic change and develop an inclusion council in every community. I want to ensure every person has opportunities and get to experience the best life they can live.

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

My strengths are my resilient and empathic leadership skills. I'm also an innovative thinker with creative ideas.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-701

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: 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?:

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:

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

I had the privilege of being raised with a cousin that has Down Syndrome. As children we were the disabled duo. Me in my wheelchair and him pushing me around. As we got older I realized how fortunate I was to not only have my own lived experience, but to also see the similarities and differences Larry and I faced having different disabilities. While we both faced discrimination and ableism, I was treated differently because of my communication skills. It wasn't till high school that I realized it was partially my responsibility to teach Larry how to stand up for himself and make sure everyone always knew what he wanted too. It's continued to be that way now.

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

1. Disaster Preparedness and Recovery
2. Healthcare Equity
3. Integrated Employment
4. Voting Access
5. Youth Transition

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

There's a lot of work to be done. I'm committed to being a part of the solutions and working towards changing systems that lack disability competency, consumer/family control and access for people with I/DD.

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

Twenty-three years of my career has been spent working towards disability rights and disability justice for the cross-disability community. I believe strongly in the motto, Nothing About Us, Without Us, had a daughter with I/DD who passed away from a seizure in 2016. I understand the issues that people with I/DD face, have not only been a parent and family member, but an ally and partner to many others. Ultimately I'd like to be a part of the great work that the SCDD has done and continues to do.

Name: [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED]
County of Residence: Solano
Region: North Bay
Email: [REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]
Race: African- American

Eligible for vacant

I am a: person with a developmental disability, 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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or a regional advisory committee?
Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council
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?

Because I am a person with a developmental disability and I wanted to learn more because I couldn't get any help for me, my daughter, and my husband.

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

Since I have a home, the most important thing is advocating for other people to be able to live where they want to live. Also I have a daughter and I want to help people know what services and how to get services for their kids instead of people telling parents no, no, no...they don't have anything.

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

Because it will help me get a voice. I came to the point of speaking out more.

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

I know how to talk. I know how to speak and understand on behalf of other disabled people. I can share my experiences and spread the knowledge I have.

SAN DIEGO IMPERIAL APPLICATIONS

Redacted Membership Application

MM-682

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego 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?:

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?:

Sibling of individual with developmental disabilities

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

All areas are of 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:

I wish to serve to provide families and guardians all the necessary resources . I want to help them best served in the community, with being on the State Council or Regional Advisory Committee.

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

Offering skills acquired academically and professionally. I bring compassion, interpersonal communication, knowledge on development disabilities, bilingual, and awareness of serving overlooked subgroups of disabled individuals.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-690

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

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?:

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:

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

idk

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

self advocacy

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

no

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

nothing

Redacted Membership Application

MM-717

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?

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?:

My interest and knowledge of the developmental disability field and service system has grown from my professional experience which has spanned over 33 years working with school aged children as a bilingual general education teacher, school administrator for both public and non-public schools, and a special education advocate. The last twelve years I have exclusively focused on working with children diagnosed with various disabilities and/or receiving special education services at public schools and non-public schools, and their families. In order to serve children and their families I have participated in numerous trainings and volunteered for numerous conferences. Currently, I am a long term trainee for the San Diego LEND program that have resulted in increasing my interest and dedication to improve the service systems that support people with disabilities.

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

I am most interested in ensuring that children benefit from integrating services from various providers (schools, medical, private providers, etc.) and most importantly that individuals with disabilities and parents play a central role in the development of the services and supports that are provided.

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

My desire is to be a voice for people with disability and their families. I am committed to advocating for a truly inclusive society that values all people.

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

I bring a depth of knowledge in the education and special education field. I bring a diverse perspective, as a person with a Mexican heritage, I am able to understand the challenges that people with a primary language other than English face when they are seeking supports and services. I also understand the importance of ensuring equitable and inclusive practices in all service systems. I am a creative problem solver and open to outside the box thinking. I believe that every challenge is simply an obstacle that is waiting to be overcome. Finally, I value collaborative work.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-718

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

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?:

I have been a long time member of San Diego People First and the SSAN

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

Self-Determination and Person-Centered Planning

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 grow in my Self-Advocacy and touch the lives of others.

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

I have strong organizational, analytical, and problem solving skills. I also like to write.



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-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.

February 23, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM 9.
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 January 2023 (BH))

App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
164	NCRO	Hank	Smith	FA	Lake	7/19/2022
165	NCRO	Clyde	Pomeroy	SA	Humboldt	7/19/2022
382	NCRO	Debra	Ponton	FA	Humboldt	1/14/2022
398	NCRO	Nathaniel	Florez	SA	Mendocino	1/14/2022
607	NCRO	Gina	Hale	SA/FA	Humboldt	4/27/2024
App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
118	NSRO	Stephen	Concklin	FA	Siskiyou	4/19/2022
146	NSRO	Delia	Rios	FA	Shasta	4/19/2022
659	NSRO	Ronald	Cole Jr.	FA	Shasta	5/10/2025
243	NSRO	Teresa	Moshier	SA	Butte	3/6/2023
447	NSRO	Marcia	Cracker	FA	Butte	5/7/2022
454	NSRO	Thomas	Cox	CA	Glenn	5/7/2022
517	NSRO	Ryan	Duncanwood	SA	Shasta	8/28/2023
530	NSRO	Charles	Nutt	SA	Butte	8/28/2023
516	NSRO	Misty	Brooks	FA	Shasta	8/28/2023
581	NSRO	Larry	Stevens	CA	Tehama	4/27/2024
App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
420	SACRO	Tyson	Whitman	SA	Placer	4/19/2022
405	SACRO	Karen	Mulvany	FA	El Dorado	4/19/2022
419	SACRO	Christine	Hickey	FA	Sutter	4/19/2022
63	SACRO	Nancy	Esparza	SA	Sacramento	4/19/2022
114	SACRO	Brandy	Boyd	FA	Sacramento	4/19/2022
334	SACRO	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	Yolo	VACANT
484	SACRO	Kidada	Medina	FA	Sacramento	11/12/2022
429	SACRO	Benita	Ayala	FA	Sacramento	5/7/2022
557	SACRO	Nicole	Mion	SA/CA	Sacramento/Yolo	4/27/2024
564	SACRO	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	Placer	VACANT
584	SACRO	Abirami	Duraiswamy	FA	Sacramento	4/27/2024
601	SACRO	Diane	Walker	FA	Nevada	4/27/2024
238	SACRO	Jesana	Tran	FA	Colusa/Alpine/Sierra	12/5/2023
300	SACRO	Glenda	Servantes	FA	Yuba	1/30/2024
VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
37	NBRO	Chen	Curtiss	SA	Solano	4/19/2022
49	NBRO	Ellen	Sweigert	SA	Napa	4/19/2022
162	NBRO	Sonia	Jones	SA	Solano	4/19/2022
47	NBRO	Maria	Avina	FA	Sonoma	4/19/2022
640	NBRO	Holly	Armihjo	FA	Napa	1/3/2025
72	NBRO	Angela	Zamora	FA	Solano	4/19/2022
48	NBRO	Zoe	Bartholomew	CA	Solano	4/19/2022
386	NBRO	Donna	Martinez	FA	Sonoma	1/3/2025
486	NBRO	Bobby	Craig	FA	Solano	11/12/2022
App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
87	BARO	Dianne	Millner	FA	Alameda	7/19/2022
88	BARO	Pamela	Perls	FA	Contra Costa	7/19/2022
277	BARO	Regina	Woodliff	SA	Contra Costa	3/6/2023
215	BARO	Sascha	Bittner	SA	San Francisco	3/6/2023

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265	BARO	Francisco	Garcia	FA	Alameda	3/6/2023
219	BARO	Catherine	Rauch	FA	Alameda	10/6/2022
288	BARO	John	Marble	SA	San Francisco	8/28/2024
345	BARO	Elizabeth	Grigsby	SA	San Francisco	8/28/2024
375	BARO	Marla	Silversmith	FA	Alameda	1/14/2025
574	BARO	Florence	Wong	FA	San Mateo	4/27/2024
643	BARO	Jennifer	Fung	SA	Marin	1/3/2025

App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
65	NVHRO	Gary	Del Nero	FA	Stanislaus	7/19/2022
95	NVHRO	Amy	Terra	CA	San Joaquin	7/19/2022
138	NVHRO	Eric	Ybarra	SA	San Joaquin	7/19/2022
152	NVHRO	Karen	Andersen	CA	San Joaquin	7/19/2022
157	NVHRO	Arthur	Valdez	FA	San Joaquin	7/19/2022
210	NVHRO	Crystal	Enyeart	SA	Amador	7/19/2022
226	NVHRO	Jayne	Flores	SA	Tuolumne	3/6/2023
272	NVHRO	Virginia	Sanchez	FA	San Joaquin	3/6/2023
500	NVHRO	Kerstin	Williams	SA	San Joaquin	3/6/2023
552	NVHRO	Vivian	David-Nicolas	FA	Stanislaus	5/10/2025
501	NVHRO	Sarah	Howard	SA	Stanislaus	5/7/2022
619	NVHRO	Brooke	Bernazzani	SA	Lodi	1/3/2025

App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
32	SEQRO	Loretta	Milne	FA	Mariposa	4/19/2022
664	SEQRO	Lisa	Narcisse	FA	Kings	5/10/2025
202	SEQRO	Susan	Wells	CA	Kern	3/6/2023
211	SEQRO	Sherry	Huggins	FA	Fresno	3/6/2023
354	SEQRO	Rebecca	Donabed	SA	Tulare	1/3/2025
483	SEQRO	Michael	Esquibel	SA	Tulare	11/12/2022
504	SEQRO	Thao	Tran	FA	Fresno	11/12/2022
509	SEQRO	Carrie	Arnst	FA	Madera	8/28/2023
554	SEQRO	Kerri	Gibbons	FA	Mariposa	4/27/2024
622	SEQRO	Matt	Gjerde		Kern	1/3/2025

App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
239	CCRO	Susan Lindsey	Baker	FA	Santa Barbara	3/6/2023
196	CCRO	Elisa	Lagana	FA	Monterey	3/6/2023
227	CCRO	Mary	Peitso	FA	Monterey	3/6/2023
350	CCRO	David	Forderer	SA	Santa Clara	8/28/2024
394	CCRO	Jonathan	Gush	CA	Ventura	11/12/2022
425	CCRO	Sigrid	Bremer	SA	Ventura	11/12/2022
521	CCRO	Kavita	Sreedhar	FA	Santa Clara	8/28/2023
558	CCRO	Tricia	Kokes	SA	Santa Clara	1/3/2025
629	CCRO	Melissa	Fitch	FA	Santa Barbara	1/3/2025
638	CCRO	Beth	Stiles	SA	Santa Cruz	1/3/2025

App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
84	LARO	Miriam	Kang	FA	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
186	LARO	Harold	Fujita	FA	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
190	LARO	Alnita	Dunn	CA	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
200	LARO	Ellen	Jannol	FA	Los Angeles	7/19/2022
499	LARO	Julie	Gaona	SA	Los Angeles	7/19/2022

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216	LARO	Cathay	Liu	FA	Los Angeles	3/6/2023
236	LARO	Allison	Cameron Gray	SA	Los Angeles	3/6/2023
342	LARO	Anahid	Kademian	FA	Los Angeles	1/3/2025
385	LARO	Kathleen	Barajas	SA	Los Angeles	1/3/2025
551	LARO	Carla	Lehmann	FA	Los Angeles	4/27/2024
650	LARO	Manish	Strait	FA	Los Angeles	5/10/2025
556	LARO	Lourdes	Gomez	FA	Los Angeles	4/27/2024
562	LARO	David	Oster	SA	Los Angeles	1/3/2025
602	LARO	Rebecca	Aguirre	SA	Los Angeles	1/3/2025

App. Number	Office	First Name	Last Name	Status	County	Expiration Date
577	OCRO	Hugo	Hinshaw	SA	Orange	4/27/2024
667	OCRO	Vincent	Caballero	FA	Orange	7/20/2025
668	OCRO	Ivan	Ramirez	FA	Orange	7/20/2025
669	OCRO	Lisa	Woods	FA	Orange	7/20/2025
671	OCRO	Shanel	Ames	SA	Orange	7/20/2025
672	OCRO	Buddy	Schreiber	SA	Orange	7/20/2025
297	OCRO	Cecilia	Mercado	FA	Orange	12/5/2023
24	OCRO	Lisa	Stanton	FA	Orange	7/19/2022
478	OCRO	Andrew	Smith	SA	Orange	11/12/2022
502	OCRO	Lupe	Rodriguez	FA	Orange	8/28/2023

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458	SBRO	Ernie	Saldana	FA	Riverside	7/19/2022
192	SBRO	Maia	Pawoskar	FA	San Bernardino	7/19/2022
248	SBRO	Cristina	Christenson-Roc	FA	Mono	3/6/2023
295	SBRO	Cynthia	Cox	FA	Inyo	12/5/2023
324	SBRO	Cathy	Rosas	FA	Riverside	8/28/2024
344	SBRO	Carmela	Garnica	FA	Riverside	8/28/2024
473	SBRO	Reginald	Davis	SA	Riverside	11/12/2022
418	SBRO	Ronald	Allan	SA	Riverside	5/7/2022
567	SBRO	Brandi	Halstead	SA	San Bernardino	5/10/2025
230	SBRO	Kimberly	Risser	SA	San Bernardino	5/7/2022
503	SBRO	Eric	Aguilar	SA	San Bernardino	8/28/2023
662	SBRO	Kelli	Guillory	FA	San Bernardino	5/10/2025
637	SBRO	Ryan	Nelson	SA	Riverside	5/10/2025
609	SBRO	Dustlyne	Beavers	FA	Bishop	4/27/2024

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536	SDIRO	Ana	Barajas	FA	Imperial	4/1/2025
537	SDIRO	Maria	Rivera	FA	Imperial	4/1/2025
273	SDIRO	Leticia	Galvan	FA	San Diego	3/6/2023
262	SDIRO	Harvey	Goldman	FA	San Diego	3/6/2023
260	SDIRO	Marta	Leyva	SA/FA	San Diego	3/6/2023
653	SDIRO	Reva	Subra	FA	San Diego	5/10/2025
482	SDIRO	James	Walker	SA	San Diego	11/12/2022
479	SDIRO	Nicole	Brobeck	SA	San Diego	11/12/2022
510	SDIRO	Helen	Crenshaw	FA	San Diego	8/28/2023
529	SDIRO	Julie	St. Pierre	FA	Imperial	8/28/2023
531	SDIRO	Jacqueline	Riddell	FA	Imperial	8/28/2023

February 23, 2023

AGENDA ITEM 10.

ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Review & Take Action on RAC Applications

The Committee will review and appoint members to the below listed RACs. Regional managers will also update the Committee on any change of status to RAC membership due to policy violations.

- 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

North Coast Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-684

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:

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 is on the autism spectrum and i have also been a registered behavior technician

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

With my background and my sons as well, i believe there are systems, outreach and educational opportunities that are lacking in my community

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

With my background and my sons as well, i believe there are systems, outreach and educational opportunities that are lacking in my community

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

i am an autism mother and i have been an advocate for over 7 years. i was an RBT working with children on the spectrum for over 2 years and now i am a community housing advocate for the homeless for the

non profit that i am currently employed with

Redacted Membership Application

MM-695

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Del Norte**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: American Indian/Native Alaskan

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?:

Parent of an adult child with

Down Syndrome, Area Director Special Olympics 20+ yrs, formally employed with an RCRC vendored program. I have been employed as a HeadStart manager, Tribal Court under a State Judge. Currently employed 25 years for NCO AmeriCorps Senior providing services thru volunteerism in schools with children with special needs.

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

Advocacy and supports

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

I think supporting locally in our rural community with information related to self advocacy and available support services for both individuals and their family. I think its important to stay informed of current

legislation as it effects our families.

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

I have worked for many years advocating. I understand the importance of listening. As a resource in my community for many years, I can share my knowledge while also acquiring new knowledge to share in my rural communities.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-714

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Humboldt**

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?:

I have a brain injury from when I was 9 and 16! I worked most my life. When I've been unable to work because of my disability, my life has fallen apart. The system was difficult to navigate and I believe in civic duty. I can continue to make a difference for individuals with disabilities.

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

Being disabled and able to accomplish the things I did was difficult. I was a teenager when I became passionate about creating inclusive programs as well as adaptive programs. I wanted to provide opportunities to people with disabilities and adapt activities so that almost anyone can participate.

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

I believe I can make a difference in my community. I hope to make change and improve services in our rural area. For most of my career I was a canoe instructor and naturalist. I was able to do things not many people with my injury could accomplish. I was told I wouldn't be able to do all of it. I want to help

people reach their dreams and live their best life. I feel I could help someone in a similar situation advocate for themselves and navigate the system.

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

I'm educated and familiar with governmental, non profit and for profit organizations. I have an understanding of legislative and municipal duties. My disability has prevented me from the being in the workplace but not in making a difference in my community or participating as a functional member of society. A passion for social change!

North State Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Sacramento Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-654

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **sacramento**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: decline

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?:

As a parent with two children having disabilities, I noticed how there was a lack in understanding how to meet the needs of many different types of individuals with disabilities. Applying this to a setting of all backgrounds.

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

my interest is to bring an understanding of how services of all backgrounds must stay in compliance while serving individuals. Understanding how to meet the needs of underprivileged isolated, poverty-stricken individuals with disabilities. Understanding the systemic workings of how services impact all individuals with multiple disabilities. Understanding how children adolescents who are in juvenile detentions centers have a 90 percent rate of being locked up and how local resources play a role what we must do to understand this long-standing issue, putting children with low cognitive are not the right solution.

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 serve on the committee so I can bring new perspective on how we can move forward with the changing times so were better prepared in helping future generations and set a foundation to steer a new understanding in how to keep up with shifting advancement in ai culture change.

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

I have valuable insight as a parent with children with disabilities society treats you different and you can see people at their real nature. This has helped me to understand how to bring forward with more transparent, a lot of ideas that can be applied essentially to different areas that individuals with disabilities need services in.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-657

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sacramento**

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:

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 brother is an active self advocate on the SSAN

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

CEI, safety, health care access, independence

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

I served on the State Council for the past two years and would like to continue my advocacy role on the local level on the Sacramento RAC. I am a sibling of a person with IDD and wish to support other family members, siblings, and community members as well as people with disabilities. My goal is to advocate for more opportunities for employment, access to quality affordable housing, transportation, education, health care and promote independence (self-determination). Also and most importantly - to give a stronger voice to the IDD community.

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

I have legislative and lobbying experience and knowledge of state government. I am also a very positive person. Lastly - I want to support my brother Robert Levy and all of his friends and colleagues involved with SCDD.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-663

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sacramento**

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: 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 an adult son with a disability.

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

Policy, Fiscal and Community Engagement

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

I am retired and want to help more in the disability community.

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

I am a previous Regional Center Board member, I have time to support the efforts of the Council, I worked for ten Dept. Of Aging and the Department of Rehabilitation in developing programs and managing grants.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-686

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sacramento**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

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?:

I partnered with the SCDD to host Sacramento's 19th Annual Juneteenth Festival. In addition I have a 16 years old daughter with Downs Syndrome. I have always wanted to get involved with an organization to further the cause of advocating for children and adults with disabilities

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

Advocacy, governmental relations and event management

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

I feel to often that the disabled members of the community are not given the attention, advocacy and resources needed to address the ever changing landscape of living with and working through a disability. I'd like to lend my talents(diverse) to assist this population as an advocate, mouthpiece and resource to remind others that these folks are here with us and need (deserve) our respect and assistance.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:
Community realtions (20 years as Director of Muticultural Affairs, Visit Sacramento), Governmental relations (Campaign Manager to two Sacramento City Councilmembers) Fundraising, Event Management, Sales and Marketing , Business(boardmember Sac Black Chamber of Commerce and Public Relations

Redacted Membership Application

MM-693

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sacramento**

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 a 17-year-old child with ASD. Through our experience with therapy, crisis management, psychiatric hospitals, establishing services and resources, planning for the future, and everyday life of parenting a child with a developmental disability, I grew interested in the field and systems and wanting to be a part of its progress and evolution.

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

I am interested in adjustments to the hospital and mental health care systems for individuals with developmental disabilities, life transitioning and job skills, various types of support (including financial) for parents and caregivers, and the cross-section of individuals with Autism who identify as LGBTQ+. The latter interest is based on my child's experience as a non-binary person. Recent studies are showing a strong correlation between individuals on the Autism spectrum and gender dysphoria. In our family's experience, there are separate communities and services for individuals with ASD and for those who identify as LGBTQ+. I am interested in supporting the growing need for services and communities that serve people who fall into both categories.

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

My child's experience as a person with ASD who also carries several mental health diagnoses has often been traumatic for them and for our whole family. For two years, my child was in and out of emergency departments, psychiatric hospitals, residential treatment centers, partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient therapy programs every few months. What I learned is that the hospital and mental health system is mostly unprepared to handle individuals with Autism and our family had to fight (often without success) for policy change and compassion to accommodate someone with a developmental disability. For a teenager who is dealing with suicidal ideation, those accommodations are not only helpful but lifesaving. This experience changed me as a person and as a parent, driving my desire to be part of improving the systems that support those with developmental disabilities and those who care for them. I am interested in serving for the State Council on Developmental Disabilities or one of its Regional Advisory Committees because I believe people with a developmental disability and their caregivers need more services and support and fewer barriers to good health care so they can live happy and fulfilling lives.

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

My biggest strength is first-hand experience from parenting a child with ASD and going through a variety of systems to support my child, including regional centers, mental health care, and the education system. Additionally, I have strong writing and comprehension skills and a science degree which gave me a foundation in statistics and the scientific method. I have been an Environmental Scientist for the State of California for almost five years. I am a dedicated public servant and I understand the field of State service.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-699

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?:

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 had my disability since I was a child, the lack of disability advocacy in main stream America.

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

Real equal opportunity in employment, and not just it a written in policy's and procedures of a company.

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

Living forty two years with a disability and never having the opportunity to be exercise reasonable accommodations when they were so needed. Makes it my duty to fight for reasonable accommodations for those whom needs them the most. To make reasonable accommodations more than just a section in an employee handbook. To force companies to exercise those accommodations.

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

To elaborate and analyze crucial facts, so important subjects are brought to a collective group of thinkers

Redacted Membership Application

MM-709

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sacramento**

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?:

A 12-5-22 formal DX of Autism, ADHD. Testing for FXS. I have a background in public safety/emergency health care as a licensed Paramedic.

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

Autism, understanding the needs of people with one of the 3 levels of support needed. ADHD. I would like to see the state of Ca as an employer start to recognize people, due to medical need, need to be trained in a different manner in some cases. How best to do this is a tough path.

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

I was just diagnosed at the age of 55 with Autism and ADHD. At this point, I am not sure how I can best serve, but I do want to learn and help by applying my own story, education, life and provide support.

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

I am honest, punctual, I excel at research, its a profession and a hobby, I am articulate, and have a genuine desire to learn and help if I can.

North Bay Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-688

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sonoma**

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?:

In 2006 I was working for a Residential home and It was my first time working with people with disabilities. I was given a tour of the facility and I was so scared. It was so loud in there and there was so much movement. I talked to the director because I didn't think this job was for me. The director sat down with me and asked me to give it a shot. He said "Try working just one day and if you feel this isn't the right job for you then I will accept you resignation." So on my first day at the residential home it was time to pass out meds. I started to pass out meds offering them water and asking which pill do they want to start with? My thinking was if I give them choices they will take the meds and I'll have a successfull med pass. I just remember looking into their eyes as the took the pill cup from and I seen this beautiful innocence and I fell in love. After take I made it my job to ensure they have as many if not more opportunities than anyone else. From residential dsp to day program dsp to day program director to supported employment director to person centered planning trainer. Working in this field is my passion and let it guide me.

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

My focus is Inclusion! In the workplace, community, and education. I feel strongly about educating and

supporting business on creating a culture of inclusion. I believe if we just invest people they will thrive and be successful but sometimes their barriers are the service systems.

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

I'm passionate about creating a systematic change. It's 2022 and I'm not seeing inclusion or enough advocacy for opportunities. I'd like to serve so I advocate for a systematic change and develop an inclusion council in every community. I want to ensure every person has opportunities and get to experience the best life they can live.

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

My strengths are my resilient and empathic leadership skills. I'm also an innovative thinker with creative ideas.

Bay Area

Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-641

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Mateo**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: American Indian/Native Alaskan, Asian

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?:

Thirteen years ago, I was a co-founder of a specialty mental health clinic devoted to the psychiatric care and support of individuals with developmental disabilities. We coordinated braided funding between our MediCal managed care services (HPSM), regional center (GGRC), and Behavioral Health and Recovery Services of San Mateo County. Since then, I have provided psychiatric medication management, psychotherapy and support within a multi-disciplinary and collaborative, community-based system. Our clinic has since been a model of care for the Northern California regional area.

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

I am interested in advocating for mental health resources, as well as broader resources and access to care, for individuals 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:

It has been such a honor and privilege being an advocate and provider for my clients with developmental

disabilities. The challenges of coordinating care between health care systems and entities, and advocating for equitable treatment and access to services has impacted our county and the clients and families we serve. I would love to take this direct, first hand clinical experience and extend this knowledge towards regional and state level advocacy, policy development, and community engagement.

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

I have experience working with a multi-disciplinary and collaborative approach in my clinical care and through teaching medical students and physician residents as an affiliated clinical assistant professor at Stanford. My strengths would be over a decade of direct patient care with individuals with developmental disabilities, overseeing legal consent issues for our county to provide safeguards for those with disabilities, as well as administrative, leadership, and programmatic oversight as the associate director for the Pegasus Physician Writers. Thank you so much for your consideration.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-670

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Alameda**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Asian

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 have been associated with local organizations that serve people with developmental disabilities like Las Trampas and Kadiant since middle school. I run a non profit that works on advocating the rights of those disabled and supporting organizations that work with the disabled. I am a senior in high school, President of the neuroscience club, Wellness student Ambassador for city of Fremont 2022 and am extremely passionate about making a difference in the lives of those with developmental disabilities.

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

creating awareness, advocating, working on solutions

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

To ensure that people with developmental disabilities and their families receive the services and supports they need and their voices are heard and their troubles addressed

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

I have a group of 6 officers who can help us with events, I have a strong reach in my local community to advocate and spread awareness. I am associated with local organizations that can help us reach our audience and create awareness

Redacted Membership Application

MM-685

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Contra Costa County**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White, Ashkenazi Jewish

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 have a developmental disability myself, so I didn't really have much choice in the matter.

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

I'm of course particularly interested in areas that effect me personally, as an autistic adult living independently in the community. So things like adult services and issues of community accessibility and inclusion. I find most things interesting, though, and also care about many areas that don't directly effect me.

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

I've been looking for opportunities to get more involved in advocacy for some time. I've also attended a few RAC meetings, and felt it was something I'd like to be involved with.

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

I'm very persistent, and have become a pretty effective self-advocate. I have a strong sense of justice and fairness, and tend to speak up when I see injustice.

I understand new information quickly, and retain a large portion of the information I encounter. I also think very logically, and do well with rules and details. Consequently, I tend to be pretty good at learning and understanding policy issues.

I spend a lot of time on social media in social justice circles, and have a growing awareness of various issues impacting a range of marginalized communities, and intersectionality with disability issues.

I can also touch my tongue to my nose, but I have yet to find any applications for that particular skill.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-692

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **alameda**

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, 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?:

a serve families whit the disabilities

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

training for paresnt in self determination,and identified early sign,more trainin EIP

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

Aneed provide more suppor all familes and also provide tols for self advogacy

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

my experinece in the comunity and work directly whit the parents for hel navegate in the system

Redacted Membership Application

MM-696

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Indian

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?:

Parent of an autistic son who shares the same issues of parents and community members from attending many such meetings in san francisco bay area

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

Housing, Employment for Autistic adults

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

Bring parent's perspective, and help making decisions that help the community of parents of differently abled persons. Employment is not just for the sake of money, but important to give purpose, structure to anyone's life, more so for the adults in the autistic spectrum. Making them productive members of society is important for all.

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

First hand experience as a parent of an autistic child, I am aware of the challenges these helpless kids and their parents face. Also, as a tech person living and working in SF bay area, I am deeply aware of the power of small communities and collaborative work environments that can bring positive changes to millions of people world over. I am curious about the social housing/employment models for such differently abled adults all over the world - Scandinavia, India, and spends a lot of time studying and trying to get the best of the ideas to implement in our local communities.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-697

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:

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?:

Being a parent and an advocate for my 27-year old daughter with Autism.

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

oversight of residential facilities, legislation that creates a true safety net for our developmentally disabled family members.

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

The Department of Developmental services recently was audited and found to not complying. I would like to be part of a solution to getting their role as oversight and safety net more finely tuned.

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

I am knowledgeable of Lanterman Act, the state agencies involved with DDS, and am a patient and passionate advocate for the rights of these individuals served by the regional centers.

North Valley Hills Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-703

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Joaquin**

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 attended a community advisory committee meeting at the San Joaquin County Office of Education.

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

Advocating for services and providing education related to the 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:

I am a parent of a 4 year old with Autism. I have found a significant lack of education and resources to newly diagnosed families hinders early intervention and support services.

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

I am passionate about advocating for the special needs community. As a mental health professional I am also acutely aware of the emotional impact any diagnosis has on a family and community.

Central Coast Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-665

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Monterey**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American, Hispanic or Latino, 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?:

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 as an ILS worker and study social work. I see that we have come a long ways but there's still more to accomplish. I have a strong belief that the world needs to have accessibility for everyone. I see the barriers our country still has and while I work directly with the people who face these issues, I can advocate for them. I see these issues first hand and I have an understanding of what we need to bridge the gaps. I can ask the people I have the honor of working with to see what change needs to happen for them.

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

My biggest areas of interest are job equality and accessibility, adaptive parenthood, and equal and accessible education. I also have a large interest in accessible public transportation and accessibility in public areas such a national parks, beaches, and neighborhood parks.

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 Disabilities because I have worked directly with people with developmental issues and want to advocate with them. I want to have discussions directly with the people I work with and people they know in order to address the areas that need improvement. I spend nearly every day working with people who have developmental disabilities and I see where the barriers are. Although I do not know what it is like to have a developmental disability, I know how to have the discussions that are necessary to try to address the problems our ableist society has created for them. The disability isn't the issue, the world as it currently is needs to be redesigned for everyone to access.

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

I would bring my experience working with people with developmental disabilities, my knowledge about the current issues many people with developmental disabilities are facing, my passion for creating a world of equality, and my understanding that dialogue is key to making real change. We cannot decide for others what is best for them, we must work hand in hand with the community. I can see the areas in which many are struggling, but I don't know the entire story. I will be happy to advocate for those who are willing to share their story. I can help be their voice for those who may not be ready to speak, and help empower them and be heard.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-689

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Santa Clara**

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?:

I have three biological children, ages 12, 14, and 17, with current Individual Education Programs (IEP's) within the Morgan Hill Unified School District: All have been diagnosed with an 'Auditory Processing Disorder' and two children with ADD / ADHD diagnosis per the Primary Care Pediatrician.

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

I am a former Mental Health Therapist / Clinician and current Social Worker with over twenty years of experience serving clients / patients with behavioral and developmental disabilities via government and non-profit organizations, I hope to continue as an active advocate serving individuals 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 am a staunch advocate and supporter of public education and believe that so much more can be done to champion the educational services and facilities currently provided to and received by all students in

California. As a life-long resident of California, as well as recipient of k-12 public education, I have observed an extensive growth in population with an even greater need to provide expansions in technology and new construction projects to adequately serve not only our growing student population, but to better and adequately serve our students with developmental disabilities.

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

I have worked and volunteered extensively with historically underserved diverse ethnic populations ranging from age preschool to older adults, representing various languages, religious, and gender orientation. With more than twenty years of post-graduate experience as a social worker, I have obtained firsthand knowledge working with underserved, underrepresented and disenfranchised students and their family members in the areas of education, behavioral health, foster care, criminal justice and healthcare in California; and I hope to share this knowledge and experience to assist the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee in all areas of advocacy for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Sequoia

Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-691

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Fresno**

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, 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 and knowledge of the developmental disability field and service system developed gradually over time. First, as a dual language teacher, administrator, trainer of trainers and curriculum auditor in economically disadvantaged areas for at risk populations. Then with my own children, experiencing first hand the challenges, barriers, and disparities to equal access, equity, inclusion and quality of needed services that they and others in the disabled community experienced every day in education, health, employment, community and independent living. I know I am not alone, and see how much work needs to be done to increase equal access and equity, and create an inclusive setting for all families, especially in the Central Valley and rural areas.

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

#1) Civil rights and full inclusion in education, health/safety and self determination.

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

To advocate for equal access and equity through systemic change for people with disabilities to make tomorrow better than yesterday, be a voice to the marginalized and to ensure that people with developmental disabilities and their families receive the services and supports they need.

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

I am a parent of children with disabilities, with IEPs and clients of regionals center. I am a current CVRC Self Determination LAC Member. I recently completed COPAA SEAT1 and COPAA SEAT2 Non-Attorney Advocate Training. I have a Masters in Education and continue to hold credentials in Administration and Supervision, Multiple Subject Teaching Cred., Supplemental in Business. I have a Bachelor of Science in Business Admin- Minor: Marketing. Prior Work experience includes: Education Facilitator/Consultant: Curriculum Audit, School-wide Reading Improvement Committee , Title IV - Bilingual Resource Teacher, K-12 Administrator, English Learner Resource Coach, BTSA Support Provider, School-wide Improvement Leadership Team Member, CELDT Coordinator/DIBELS Facilitator, English Instruction for English Advancement Facilitator, Literacy Across The Curriculum Facilitator, ELD Presenter/CELDT Facilitator, Promotion and Retention Committee Team Member, District Math Standards Committee Team Member, Science Fair Chairperson, Lit Conn Assessment Leader and Team Member, Curriculum Committee Team Member, School Site Council Member 21st Century Learning Center Advisory Committee Team Member, School Wide Planning Committee Team Member, Leadership Team, Bilingual Advisory Committee Team Member, Student Study Team Leader, Systematic ELD Training – Susana Dutro DIBELS Facilitator Peer Coaching Facilitator, Latino Literacy Project Facilitator, Curriculum Audit Process of Supervision and Walk-Thru Facilitator, ELD/Curriculum/Standards Alignment Team Member, School-Wide Leveled Reading Intervention Leadership Member.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-694

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

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?:

Lifetime career

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

Having the system work for people 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 am retired and I want to show in a in any capacity I can

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

40 years use of professional experience and 60 years of having Cerebral Palsy and a spinal code injury

Los Angeles Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-680

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

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 and knowledge of the developmental disability field and service system develop by my eager to help out and advocate for this community.

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

My areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system are advocating for better/more services/rate to vendors and to assist in providing better understanding of services and self determination.

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 serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities and/or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees because there is a lack of Asian Community Representation. I wish to advocate for those who are under represented in this particular community.

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

The strength I bring to this community is I am currently a Volunteer and a board member at my child Community Advisory Committee. I have attended Legislative Days and have advocate numerous times for my child and other students. I am also a volunteer for a nonprofit group called Vietnamese Parents with Disabled Children. I believe as a parent with a child with Disability, we all need to bring awareness for their rights and not have them be discriminated from their peers. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-683

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

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?:

I have 3 children that are Regional Center Consumers

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

Services and Resources

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

I server in my Community as a resource center for person with developmental disability

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

My people skill and the knowledge with working with people that has a disability.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-698

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?:

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 younger brother had a rare, neurodegenerative genetic disorder called Hunter Syndrome. He was my best friend. After his passing, I quickly found out that my unborn baby would have the same disorder. I have spent my life as a caretaker. Becoming a mother of a child with disabilities led me further into advocacy. I see now more than ever how far we have come as a country and a state, but also how much further we need to go to become equitable and accessible. I feel that I was born to be the voice of children and adults like my brother and son that cannot advocate for themselves.

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

Accessibility with DME such as wheelchair access, better education in place within the special education field to fit the variety of needs, reform in the structure of Medicaid based therapy (CCS, etc) eligibility, and better financial assistance to families to access necessary equipment such as adaptive vehicles.

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

I feel fortunate to raise my disabled child in the state of California. We have access to programs that other states do not offer. I feel as though my child is generally cared for here. But, I know that a lot more needs to be done for this underserved population. As a person that has been a caretaker of a developmentally disabled child their entire life, I know what those needs are. I want to be a part of the solution and to help further our state as a leader in this nation for disability services. I want to be a listener for the disabled population here and use my voice to represent their needs.

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

I am a mother, a sister, and an advocate. I have a unique perspective in the world of developmental disabilities. I am persistent and passionate. I enjoy sharing my story to promote change while uplifting others to do the same. I am deeply involved in my community and would graciously further that connection as a representative.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-702

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

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?:

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?:

Working as a public defender with people with developmental disabilities in LA County

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

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD)

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

Over 29 years of expertise, publications and public speaking around the US on advocating for people with developmental disabilities

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

Public speaking, legislative work, publishing, consulting

Redacted Membership Application

MM-704

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **LA**

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?:

My interest in this topic arose when I began working for agencies that work with individuals with mental disabilities. I came across different situations where I was not okay with the treatment this individual was receiving. As an advocator, I want to make a change and ensure that everyone is treated with respect despite their disabilities. I aim to be the change and not allow no one to take advantage of individuals with disabilities, and I am their voice for change. The change starts with me, and it is time I take action and encourage the following generations to do the same.

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

I have the ability to help individuals reintegrate into society. These are individuals who have been neglected and ignored by the community. I have the opportunity to help them become one of us and help them gain their voice. I want to be the change for them and help them find themselves. I want to change how society views individuals with disabilities. I want to assist beyond helping them with their basic needs; I want to help them become successful.

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 team player who enjoys working with other individuals and creating a plan of action. There are different individuals with different knowledge backgrounds and experiences that encounter themselves. Their knowledge and experiences are what will help the disabled community. Our mission is to assist individuals with disabilities, and we will be the change as a group. I worked for agencies and did not make a change; therefore, I want to go beyond and continue my mission, and as a council member/ regional advisory committee, I will be able to bring awareness of the constant problems they encounter daily.

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

I am an advocator for change and do not take no for an answer. I am motivated and passionate about what I do. I am a great listener. I have worked in this field and have seen how the disabled community is treated; therefore, they encourage me daily to fight for change. Most importantly, I will be the voice of those who cannot advocate for themselves.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-707

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, 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 attended the TASH annual conference in Phoenix, AZ last week and learned about this council!

I am a life long educator and more importantly, mother of 5 foster-adopted (now) young adults. Creating a diverse family introduced me to the world of special education and disability rights.

My own children lead me to pivot from working as a high school counselor into teaching special education. I have also served as a principal and district level special education administrator. I currently work as an administrator in the Division of Special Education at the Los Angeles County Office of Education. I am passionate about all learners.

Meanwhile, our youngest son will be finishing an Adult Transition program this year as he is turning 22. He has been a regional center client since middle school and we take full advantage of the regional center support. We have had ups and downs, but he is in a good place living independently with support

and we use a shared decision making model.

It would be an honor to participate on the council.

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

I have noticed that the connection between K-12 public schools, regional centers and other service providers isn't as strong as it could be leaving parents, like myself, to struggle.

I'm interested in the intersection of public education and disability rights, with a specific interest in collaboration, increased communication and legislation.

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

I think the Council would be a great opportunity to engage with a variety of perspectives which can help inform the work we do in public education. It would be an amazing resource and source of connections to those who are experts in the field.

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

I have vast experience in the field of education and specifically, educating students with developmental delays. I can bring the lens of an educator and parent!

Redacted Membership Application

MM-712

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

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?:

My Daughter is developmentally disabled

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

Learning job skills, recreational opportunities

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 investigate and participate in better programs for disabled persons.

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

I am raising my Daughter, who is a 40 year old adult female with Downs Syndrome.

Orange County Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-669

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Orange**

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: 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 amazing son is finally a RCOC client again

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

Adult transition services specifically social, employment and housing opportunities

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

I'd like to offer a new perspective and ideas on issues relevant to individuals and families of individuals with special needs.

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

My background involves significant experience in having and facilitating conversation with a diverse group of individuals.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-671

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Orange County**

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:

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 an interest in helping other people with disabilities. I am currently a Co- Coordinator for a non- profit that helps other self- advocates. I enjoy being productive and using my time to help my community and other individuals with developmental disabilities.

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

I am grateful for this opportunity to be a leader in my community. I enjoy being a role model and showing others they can do anything they set their mind too. I've always been interested in helping people with disabilities reach their full potential. My motto is dream big and sparkle.

Areas that I feel are important are full inclusion in education, work opportunities and community. I also am concerned with the self determination option and how people learn about it. I really enjoy participating as an Independent Facilitator and facilitating PCP meetings.

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 representative of my community and a leader to individuals with developmental disabilities. I think this is a great opportunity for me to work on my leadership skills while helping others with disabilities.

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

I come ready to work and always bring a positive attitude. I love learning about new things and keep an open mind. I know when working it is important to stay flexible, I am able to adapt to any situation. I enjoy presenting and sharing information with others

Redacted Membership Application

MM-672

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Orange**

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:

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 Cerebral Palsy.

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

Being a voice for the voiceless fuels my desire and will to help others. My primary areas of interest include but are not limited to: advocating for inclusion, policy advocacy, and developing ideas and strategies for developmentally disabled people to thrive by living their best life with dignity.

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

I previously served on the SCDD Orange County RAC and their former Area Board 11 Board of Directors for 7 years.(7/24/2012 to 5/06/2019) It was one of the most cherished and purposeful times of my life.

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

All people matter to me. My compassion and empathy for others are my greatest strengths.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-674

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, 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?:

Unknown

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

Employment, Government Benefits, Housing

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 advocate for people with autism

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

Knowledge and Leadership

Redacted Membership Application

MM-675

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?:

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 a daughter with Cerebral Palsy and is non verbal

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

I would like to join a committee where I can be voices for my community

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

Would like to advocate for children in the school system who need there voices heard

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

I am a team player and have many friends with young children's with significant disabilities. I am also a specials needs liaison in my daughters PTA. I was chair for the CAC for SVUSD 2020. I also served in the CAC voting member for two years.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-677

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Orange**

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:

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 son that is developmentally delayed. There is still much to be done in advocating for those with special needs.

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

Providing resources & funding for those with developmental disabilities & their families.

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 know more about what issues, resources & strengths the state & different counties have with their special needs population.

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

I have a son that is 15 with developmental delays. I believe it is important that various families of different age groups of the special needs population are represented to bring a well rounded perspective & insight

to the challenges families face in our communities. I would hope that I could provide awareness & understanding to issues that we have faced as well as acquiring knowledge of what is needed in the communities & schools to help alleviate difficulties for the special needs population.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-678

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

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: 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 attended past events.

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

Support for school aged children

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 and support children like my son

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

I am methodical, passionate and detail oriented.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-687

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?:

As a college student I was interested in how the mind worked in education. After earning a Learning Disability credential, I gave birth to a beautiful baby who later was found to have cerebral palsy. I went on to teach students with disabilities and then became the principal over the adult transition program in my district. I have lived individuals with disabilities all my life and feel it has been my life long mission to serve this population.

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

As a mother, teacher and principal I am interested in all areas from helping parents navigate the IEP process to the ILP process at Regional Center. I am also interested helping parents and individuals prepare for independent living options! The self determination process and special needs trusts is another area of interest.

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

one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I needed a lot of support in the 1980s when information and support had to be a constant battle. Then when my son moved out on his own with RC support there were areas he was not prepared for so I'd like to lend my experience to help others. For instant what does the individual do when the electricity go out or cable tv? Having multiple battery operated lanterns is more helpful than flashlights. I am retired now and want to lend my knowledge and expertise to help others! I have also been president of education groups and testified before the Senate Education Committed in support of legislative bills. I believe I can fit in to the State Council or local RC and bring a wide array of experiences to the organization. I also know what's best practices in serving individuals with disabilities, how Zoom needs to be better and aligned to job skills and the isolation and depression our family members experience especially with the shortage of staff . I want to make a difference!

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

I am a collaborator and will listen to all views. I am educated in individuals with disabilities and know the needs from birth to senior citizen! I'm organized and confidentiality is critical.I have been trained in advocacy by RC.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-715

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

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?:

My interest in serving the intellectually and developmentally disabled (IDD) population began in college when I worked at the YMCA as a personal aide to a five-year-old boy with Down Syndrome for a summer. Having no prior training with this population, I worked daily with him to develop communication and social skills through practicing sign language and basketball. I then went on to volunteer with intellectually and developmentally disabled adults in the kitchen of an Adult Education Day Center as they learned job skills. When contemplating my future and deciding my career path, I knew I wanted to work with and become an advocate for the IDD population. During medical school, I became part of the Healthcare for All Scholars Program through the American Medical Student Association, a program through which I was able to learn not only about current healthcare law and pending and proposed legislation, but also to understand socioeconomic restrictions to healthcare access and how I can recognize and influence the removing of these barriers as a practicing physician. As part of my final project for this program, I further researched healthcare disparities specifically for the intellectually and developmentally disabled population and was invited to present my findings at the American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry's (AADMD) Annual National Conference. I was then invited by one of the founding

members of the AADMD and CEO of Louisville's Lee Specialty Clinic, Dr. Matt Holder, to spend a month training in family medicine at this clinic that uniquely serves only adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Throughout this month, I treated patients with both simple and complex genetic abnormalities and learned the art of tailoring traditional family medicine to each individual. I became efficient at writing effective letters of medical necessity, gathering collateral information from family members and caregivers, and conducting careful inspection of current medication regimens and drug interactions, especially relative to antibiotics and psychotropic medications. In 2017, I presented a resolution to the California Academy of Family Physicians (CAFP) calling to acknowledge the intellectually and developmentally disabled population as a medically underserved population. This was subsequently accepted and adopted into the CAFP Policy Handbook. I also presented my lecture on "Intellectual & Developmental Disability Population Health Care Inadequacies - A Call To Action" at the American Academy of Developmental Medicine & Dentistry 2017 Conference in Houston, Texas. I also received 1st place poster presentation for this as well. As a medical resident I continued to education my fellow residents on the IDD population by giving lectures on medical issues pertinent to this population. It is through all these experiences that my drive to serve this population began and continues to flourish.

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

Health policy, advocacy, access to care, appropriate medical care, educating families and healthcare providers

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 serve on either my Orange County Regional Advisory Committee or on the State Council in order to continue my advocacy work for this population with the help and backing of the SCDD. I would bring a unique perspective as a member of the medical community and work with others to formulate ideas on how to best and further advocate for this population to get them the quality resources that they need, especially in healthcare. I want to continue to be a voice the IDD community and would be honored to do this with the SCDD.

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

Prior advocacy and health policy experience, medical training and specialization in the IDD population (as well as the Regional Centers), team-player and dedicated to serving this population, willing to give presentations and help draft policy/advocacy measures, understanding of the Lanterman Act and Regional Center services

San Bernardino Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



Redacted Membership Application

MM-681

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:

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?:

Help people

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

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

People

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

Yes

Redacted Membership Application

MM-700

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:

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 in the field of developmental disabilities, and I have a close family member who has a developmental disability, he is served by a regional center.

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

I am passionate about advocacy, access, equity 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 extremely passionate about making a difference in my community. I have been an active advocate with CDSA and other local committees, I would love to serve on a regular committee.

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

I have much knowledge in the field, as well as passion for making a difference. Professionally, I have public speaking skills, am bilingual in English and Spanish, have a degree in Sociology. I have a personal

connection with my family member receiving services and I would like to continue to advocate for all those individuals who may not be able to advocate for themselves.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-705

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Riverside**

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?:

My interest in the field of developmental disability began when my son was diagnosed with Autism and Developmental Disability. As I researched and learned more about the services, support and laws concerning individuals with disabilities, I began to further understand the need for and importance of becoming involved for advocating and voicing the unique needs not only for my son but for others as well within the disabled community.

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

I am interested in advocating for better services and support that focus on transition services, dental needs, educational support and advocacy at the state level as well.

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 serving because I am committed to being a vocal advocate for the needs of all disabled community. I also believe that to be an inclusive society, we must work diligently in providing families and

individuals with disabilities the support and services needed to access the same rights and opportunities as all other Americans.

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

I am hard working, passionate about social justice issues, reliable, kind and optimistic about the infinite possibilities when individuals work together towards the common good.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-708

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

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 a 23 year old daughter with Intellectual Disabilities that have been life long.

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

Self Determination

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

I am finding that the information for families for services and SD is very lacking in the Coachella Valley. I want to make a difference and help families get the information they need.

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

I have sat on boards for different organizations over the years. I am a dedicated and passionate advocate for my daughter and her friends with developmental disabilities.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-710

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

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?

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?:

Help people

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

Services

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

No

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

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Redacted Membership Application

MM-711

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?:

I am a parent of a 17 year old who is a person with autism. That same child is also a pediatric cancer survivor. He is a lifelong resident of the inland empire so we have navigated all our services here including public schools, selpas and regional centers. Last year I obtained my doctorate in education researching autism inclusion so I am continuing the professional and scholarly work of amplifying the voices of individuals with autism in academic and community settings. This year I edited a contributed to scholarly book on the same topic. I have been on the selpa cac for over a decade including as public information officer and as legislative affairs chair

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

Autism, autism inclusion, eliminating barriers to access, leg affairs

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

I think I can be helpful

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

I have a string working knowledge of the systems that serve individuals and families because we currently access them. I also have researched the spaces where inclusion breaks down and have personally developed actionable methods to support those areas. I am deeply committed to service related to these topics

Redacted Membership Application

MM-713

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: African- American

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?

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 oldest son Bryce, now 19, was diagnosed with ASD at the age of 6. I then transitioned in adult residential facilities to create a home for my son.

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

I want to service the community. As a facility owner, soon to be BCBA, I want to offer my expertise to service our community.

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 because representation matters. I want to offer and gain knowledge and make a difference to our various communities in California.

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

I own three adult residential facilities, I operate a non profit called I'm Ausome, I am a mother of a child with a disability and I was created to help others.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-716

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino, 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?:

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've been working with individuals with I/DD on employment and day programming since 2019. I have advocated for individuals both at the State and Federal level. I currently own a company that does independent facilitation and provides consulting services.

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

Self Determination and transition services for those leaving the school system. Also leadership training among those with I/DD.

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

I have an innate understanding of the issue facing self determination. FMS are not given the support needed, causing a risk to the program as a whole. I'm also biliterate in Spanish and want to address the disparity issues.

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

I understand the system and bring innovative ideas. I come with a spirit of collaboration in order to address the pressing issues affecting SDP.

San Diego/Imperial



Regional Advisory Committee Candidates

Redacted Membership Application

MM-647

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Encinitas**

Email : REDACTED

Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability, 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:

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

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

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

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

And. I. l'm. Good. With. Kids

Redacted Membership Application

MM-682

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego 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?:

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?:

Sibling of individual with developmental disabilities

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

All areas are of 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:

I wish to serve to provide families and guardians all the necessary resources . I want to help them best served in the community, with being on the State Council or Regional Advisory Committee.

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

Offering skills acquired academically and professionally. I bring compassion, interpersonal communication, knowledge on development disabilities, bilingual, and awareness of serving overlooked subgroups of disabled individuals.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-690

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **California**

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?:

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:

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

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

self advocacy

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

no

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

nothing

Redacted Membership Application

MM-718

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

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?:

I have been a long time member of San Diego People First and the SSAN

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

Self-Determination and Person-Centered Planning

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 grow in my Self-Advocacy and touch the lives of others.

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

I have strong organizational, analytical, and problem solving skills. I also like to write.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-721

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

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:

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 the RAC meetings.

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

I like to advocate for me and other friends.

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

I like to have a voice on what happens with our rights

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

I like to advocate, I am persistent, passionate about my community and my friends.

February 23, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM 11.
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 3/2022 (BH)**

SDAC NORTH COAST OFFICE		RC - REDWOOD COAST
App No.	Name	Appointment
X1	Pam Jensen	SCDD
X2	Robert Taylor	RCRC
X3	Kara Ponton	RCRC
X4	Ronald Piazza	RCRC
X5	Clifford Black	DRC
74	Frank Van Curen	SCDD
139	Kristy Tanguay	SCDD
X36	Roshan Ashford	SCDD
SDAC NORTH STATE OFFICE		RC - FAR NORTHERN RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X6	Stephen Concklin	SCDD
X8	Charles Nutt	SCDD
X11	Tasha Ward	FNRC
X12	Margaret Shipp	SCDD
X13	Jennifer Bowman	FNRC
X15	Kimberlee Candela (DRC)	DRC
30	Carroll, Sara	SCDD
XX	Tammy Torum	FNRC
156	Selene Mercado	SCDD
XX	Fran Sherman	FNRC
SDAC SACRAMENTO OFFICE		RC - ALTA CALIFORNIA RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X16	Lisa Cooley	SCDD
183	Tracy Ligtnerberg	SCDD
X19	Kimberly Terrell	SCDD
NA	VACANT	ACRC
X179	Daniel Meadows	ACRC
X180	Karen Mulvany	ACRC
NA	Carmen Delgado	ACRC
X182	Tom Hopkins	ACRC
X183	Benita Ayala	ACRC
X24	Kelsey Handcock (DRC)	DRC
64	Meena Kalyanasundaram	SCDD
65	Kenya Martinez	SCDD
184	William Reed	SCDD
SDAC NORTH BAY OFFICE		RC - NORTH BAY RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X26	Sonia Jones	NBRC
X28	Gail Thompson	NBRC
X30	Jerry Corradi	SCDD
X31	Debra Hight - Co Chair	SCDD
NA	Ross Long	NBRC
X33	Yulahlia Hernandez (DRC)	DRC
NA	Candice Chia	NBRC
NA	Valerie Bane	NA
NA	Marylou Hilberg	NBRC
SDAC BAY AREA OFFICE		RC - GOLDEN GATE RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
NA	David Nguyen	GGRC
X35	Elizabeth Grigsby	GGRC
X36	Jennifer Walsh, Co-Chair	SCDD
X37	Connie Johnson	GGRC
X38	Alyson Sinclair	GGRC
NA	Alex Gastelum	OCRA
X41	Sascha Bittner, Chair	SCDD
117	Christine Kantor	SCDD
X18	Gabriela Choy	SCDD
SDAC BAY AREA OFFICE		RC - RC OF THE EAST BAY
App No.	Name	Appointment
next appl	Sandra Coss	RCEB
X44	Irene Litherland, Chair	SCDD
1	Pei Wang	SCDD
X45	Dianne Millner	SCDD
X46	Vi Ibarra	RCEB
X47	Arthur Lipscomb	OCRA
X48	Pamela Baird	RCEB
X49	Morena Grimaldi	RCEB
X51	Melissa Crisp-Cooper, Co-Chair	RCEB
98	Neil Jacobson	SCDD

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107	Jocelyn Manalac	SCDD
SDAC NORTH VALLEY HILLS OFFICE		RC - VALLEY MOUNTAIN RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
NA	Bonacci, Karen (Vice Chair)	VMRC
NA	Bonacci, Mary	VMRC
137	Collie, Sue	SCDD
138	Collie, Tim	SCDD
37	Culley, Lisa (Secretary)	SCDD
135	Espinoza, Araceli	SCDD
NA	Estrada, Gricelda	VMRC
NA	Forest, John	VMRC
X56	Lazaro, Claire	VMRC
X55	Mickahail, Al	SCDD
136	Chable-Poot, Rosa	SCDD
NA	Ramos, Mariela (CHAIR)	VMRC
61	Kerstin Williams	SCDD
195	Jeffrey Lazaro	SCDD
252	Jonathan Zahodne	SCDD
NA	DRC OCRA Vacant (temp email)	statute
SDAC CENTRAL COAST OFFICE		RC - TRI-COUNTIES RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X37	Ronald Wexler	SCDD
X61	Mara Rupert	SCDD
28	Ellen Hunt	SCDD
10	Casey Taylor	SCDD
X62	Chris Benedict	TCRC
X65	Marcia Eichelberger	TCRC
X66	Sandra Waterbury	TCRC
X67	Ashley Pope	TCRC
X68	Darylene Williams	TCRC
NA	Erica Clark, OCRA	OCRA/DRC
SDAC CENTRAL COAST OFFICE		RC - SAN ANDREAS RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X70	Doug Pascover	SCDD
X71	Connie Boyar	SCDD
X73	David Forderer	SCDD
X74	Lori Luzader McDonnal	SARC
X77	Martha Johnson (Chair)	SARC
X78	Cherri Alcontara	DRC
31	Kathy Tanner	SCDD
X79	Suzanne Francisco	SARC
X80	Kishan Sreednar	SARC
56	Kavita Sreedhar	SCDD
NA	Tran Huyen Tran	SARC
NA	Bernardino Sunglao	SARC
SDAC SEQUOIA OFFICE		RC - CENTAL VALLEY RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X82	Pickens, Cindy	SCDD
X83	Smith, Michelle	SCDD
X85	Vasquez, Elizabeth	CVRC
X86	Guimont, Reva	CVRC
X88	Rachel Hagans	CVRC
X89	Elisa Escareno	CVRC
X90	Tellalian, Carolyn	CVRC
X91	Yolanda Cruz	SCDD
185	Emma Villa	SCDD
X13	Danny Diaz	SCDD
X19	Carmen Diaz	SCDD
NA	Maitria Moua - CRA	DRC
240	Abigail Teasdale	SCDD
SDAC LOS ANGELES OFFICE		RC 1 - WESTSIDE RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
13	Felicia Ford	SCDD
X95	Fran Goldfarb	SCDD
X96	Brett Gordon	SCDD
X98	Nilo Choudhry	WRC
X99	Betty Grimble	WRC
X100	Elizabeth Gomez	WRC
X101	Harvey Lapin	WRC
71	Joseph Juarez	SCDD
NA	Kristin Evans (DRC)	DRC

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148	Carla Lehmann (Chair)	SCDD
160	Kim Watson	SCDD
NA	VACANT	WRC
SDAC LOS ANGELES OFFICE		RC 2 - NORTH LOS ANGELES RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X104	Richard Dier	SCDD
5	Jordan Feinstock	SCDD
6	Cheryl Hendrickson	SCDD
X105	Sandra Baker	SCDD
X106	Ellen Jannol (vice-chair)	SCDD
X107	Victoria Berry	NLACRC
NA	Christina Cannarella	NLACRC
X109	Lillian Martinez	NLACRC
X110	Jon Francis (Chair)	NLACRC
X111	Lori Walker	NLACRC
NA	Diana Padilla Garcia	SCDD Contingent
NA	Roxanna Topete (DRC)	DRC
SDAC LOS ANGELES OFFICE		RC 3 - SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X113	Sherry Johnson Alvarez (Chair)	SCDD
X114	Alnita Dunn	SCDD
X115	Luz Hernandez Gutierrez	SCDD
X116	Alberta Moore	SCDD
X117	Antwan Jones	SCLARC
X118	Diana Uglade-Lara	SCLARC
X119	Terrance Payne	SCLARC
X120	Stephanie Arlaud	SCLARC
X121	Raul Muñoz	SCLARC
NA	Megan Buckles (DRC)	DRC
159	Armida Yuleny Ochoa	SCDD
SDAC LOS ANGELES OFFICE		RC 4 - FRANK D. LANTERMAN RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X123	Howard McBroom	SCDD
X124	Mariko Magami	SCDD
X125	Lareka Killebrew	SCDD
X126	Pierre Landry (Chair)	SCDD
NA	Roxanna Topete (DRC)	DRC
X128	Michelle Wolf	FDLRC
X129	Karla Diaz	FDLRC
X130	Linda An	FDLRC
X131	Zulma Mena	FDLRC
NA	Monica Watts, contingent on a vacancy for someone who	SCDD
SDAC LOS ANGELES OFFICE		RC 5 - HARBOR RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X132	Linda Chan Rapp	SCDD
X133	*Miriam Kang	SCDD
X136	Deaka McClain	HRC
X137	Rosalinda Garcia, Chair	HRC
NA	Priscilla Ankrah (DRC)	DRC
43	David Oster	SCDD
121	Juliana Martinez	SCDD
125	Vianey Gomes	SCDD Contingent
NA	Patricia Jordan	HRC
NA	Sunghee Park	HRC
SDAC LOS ANGELES OFFICE		RC 6 - EAST LOS ANGELES RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
X139	Carl Blum	ELARC
X140	Jacobed Garcia	ELARC
X141	Virgilio Orlina (chair)	ELARC
X142	Mei Ye	ELARC
X143	Cathay Liu	SCDD
X144	Carola Maranon	SCDD
12	Josefina Nieves	SCDD
3	Yougeng Sun	SCDD
X145	Alexander Scarlis	DRC
145	Connie Legaspi	SCDD CONTINGENT
SDAC LOS ANGELES OFFICE		RC 7 - SAN GABRIEL POMONA RC
App No.	Name	Appointment
33	Ameen Ali	SCDD

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X21	Vanessa Chay	SCDD
X151	Molly Chen	SGPRC
X152	Aimee Delgado (DRC)	DRC
123	Antony Rodriguez	SCDD
NA	Bertha Monterrey (Chair)	SGPRC
NA	Cory J (C.J.) Carmichel	SGPRC
X03	Tracy Evanson	SGPRC
NA	VACANT	SCDD

SDAC ORANGE COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE RC - RC OF ORANGE COUNTY

App No. Name Appointment

X153	Tim Jin	SCDD
X154	Andrea Kumetz-Coleman	SCDD
34	Karen Millender	SCDD
NA	Tina Stang	RCOC
X157	Jyusse Corey	RCOC
X158	April Lopez, Chairperson	RCOC
NA	Bruce Hall	RCOC
X160	Jacqueline Miller (DRC)	DRC
NA	Keli Radford	NA
NA	Cathy Furukawa	NA
X38	Stephen Gaiber	SCDD

SDAC SAN BERNARDINO OFFICE RC - INLAND RC

App No. Name Appointment

X161	Lannette Hollowell	SCDD
X162	Rhonda Morris	SCDD
X164	Maia Pawoskar, Chair	IRC
X166	Ryan Reynolds	IRC
NA	Jennifer Alfaro	DRC
77	Nicole Starks-Murray	SCDD
83	Cathy Rosas	SCDD
NA	Ronald Allan	IRC
NA	Martina Rangel-Ortega	IRC
NA	Dr. Donna Hunter	IRC
140	Tina Ewing-Wilson	SCDD
NA	Henrietta Simmons	IRC
243	Jan Opsvig	SCDD

SDAC SAN BERNARDINO & SEQUOIA OFFICE RC - KERN RC

App No. Name Appointment

X168	Rick Wood, Chair	SCDD
X169	Nicholas "Nico" Scheider	KRC
X170	Kelly Reyes	KRC
X171	Mario Espinoza (DRC)	DRC
NA	VACANT	SCDD
NA	VACANT	SCDD
NA	VACANT	SCDD
NA	VACANT	KRC
NA	VACANT	KRC

SDAC SAN DIEGO IMPERIAL OFFICE RC - SAN DIEGO RC

App No. Name Appointment

X172	Joyce Clark - Chair	SCDD
2	Kim Rucker	SCDD
7	Bertha Taylor	SCDD
X174	Debra Jorgensen	SCDD
X175	Christopher Lubinski	SDRC
X176	Tracey Millhouse-Hensley	SDRC
X177	Tania Schloss	DRC
127	Horacio Correa Jr.	SDRC
193	Peter Salgado	SCDD
254	Reva Subra	SCDD
235	My Dinh	SCDD

February 23, 2023

AGENDA ITEM 12.

ACTION ITEM

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

***Local SDAC Zero Tolerance Policies and Term Limits for
Council-Appointed Members***

To ensure continuity among Council, committee and RAC members, Committee members will review and consider implementing the Council's Zero Tolerance Policies for Council-appointed local SDAC members.

Recommendation One

Adopt Zero Tolerance policies for Council-appointed local SDAC Members, except when to do so would violate a regional center's bylaws or regulation.

Attachment(s)

Zero Tolerance Polices

Handout(s)

There may be additional handouts for this item the day of the meeting.

- 1-230 Zero-Tolerance Policies
- 1-232 Discrimination Complaint Process
- 1-234 Drug Free Workplace Statement
- 1-238 Sexual Harassment
- 1-240 Unprofessional Conduct
- 1.242 Workplace Violence Prevention

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT PROCESS

Purpose:

To provide all employees or applicants of the California State Council on Developmental Disabilities with the Department's employment discrimination complaint process.

Authority/Reference:

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000 (1964)).
Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (29 U.S.C. § 633a).
Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code § 12940 et. seq. and Government Code § 19572).
Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. § 12101).
Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 (42 U.S.C. § 2000 ff).
Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 791 § 501 and 505).
Government Code § 19702.
Ralph Civil Rights Act (Government Code § 51.7).
Unruh Civil Rights Act (Government Code § 51 et. seq.).
Government Code § 18500.

Applies To:

Councilmembers, Committee members and staff

POLICY

Policy Statement

This policy has been developed to facilitate the resolution of discrimination complaints at the lowest level possible and in the fairest, most timely manner.

DEFINITIONS

Discrimination: is defined as any unfair employment practice or behavior that treats individuals differently based on a protected class. The law forbids discrimination or harassment when it comes to any aspect of employment,

including but not limited to, hiring, firing, pay, job assignments, promotions, layoff, training, fringe benefits and any other term or condition of employment.

Protected class/basis: means an individual's characteristic which is protected by federal and/or state law. Protected classes/bases are age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, marital status, medical condition, national origin, political affiliation, race, religious creed, retaliation (for filing a discrimination complaint), sex (including sexual harassment), sexual orientation and veteran/military status.

Harassment: is offensive conduct occurring within the scope of employment directed at an individual (or group) because of their membership in a protected class. Harassment of a person based upon that person's protected class can also be a form of discrimination. Harassment becomes unlawful where:

- Enduring the offensive conduct becomes a condition of continued employment.
- The conduct is severe or pervasive enough to create a work environment that a reasonable person would consider intimidating, hostile, or abusive.

For more information on sexual harassment see the Sexual Harassment Zero-Tolerance Policy.

Retaliation: is an adverse employment action taken against a Councilmember/employee because he/she reported discrimination or harassment, files a discrimination or harassment complaint, or participates in a discrimination investigation.

Third-Party: is an individual(s) who interacts with SCDD Councilmembers/employees and is not considered an employee.

Employee: as used in this policy only, means an individual who works for this agency, whether full or part time, receives pay, and has an employee identification number. For this policy only, this definition also includes individuals who have signed an employment agreement or contract to provide services to or on behalf of the SCDD, as well as recognized interns (paid or unpaid), and volunteers.

Person: as used in this policy only, means a member of the public conducting business with this agency or receiving services from this agency, such as a vendor, licensee, third party or claimant.

EXAMPLES OF PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR

While it is not possible to list all circumstances that may be considered discrimination or harassment, some examples of conduct that may violate SCDD's Discrimination and Harassment Policy include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Making derogatory or offensive comments, slurs, jokes, remarks, rumors, put-downs, ridicule, mockery or epithets.
- Displaying objects, cartoons, pictures or posters of a derogatory or discriminatory nature.
- Treating an individual differently based on the individual's membership in one of the protected classes.
- Implying to withhold or withholding support for an appointment, promotion, transfer, or change of assignment.
- Initiating a rejection during probation or an adverse action without a justified nondiscriminatory business related reason.
- Displaying, transmitting or forwarding Internet material of a discriminatory and/or offensive nature.
- Engaging in retaliation or threats against anyone who alleges discriminatory, harassing or offensive behavior.

Comments or behavior that may be perceived as unfair may not necessarily be unlawful or a violation of this Policy. Employment actions may be perceived by the employee as harsh, insensitive or unjust, but they do not become unlawful

under the above laws or violate this Policy unless the unfair treatment is motivated in part because of a person's protected class.

Petty slights, minor annoyances or a simple lack of good manners, while discouraged, may not necessarily violate this Policy. The mere fact an employee is displeased by an individual's act or omission, does not elevate that act or omission to a Policy violation.

RETALIATION

Actions of retaliation taken against individuals, who report or file complaints of discrimination or harassment or for individuals providing information during a complaint investigation, are strictly prohibited. SCDD will not tolerate any retaliation against any individual(s) that, in good faith, reports and/or provides information in an investigation of a complaint of discrimination or harassment, regardless of whether the claim of discrimination or harassment is determined to be valid or unfounded.

CONFIDENTIALITY

SCDD has an obligation to address complaints of discrimination and harassment. The EEO Office and others responsible for implementing this Policy will respect the confidentiality and privacy of individuals involved in an investigation to the extent possible. SCDD cannot guarantee complete confidentiality where it would conflict with the obligation to investigate meaningfully or, where warranted, to take corrective action.

All SCDD employees who take part in any of the procedures under this Policy are expected not to reveal any information they learn in the course of the proceedings with anyone other than EEO staff and their own personal legal counsel or union representative. Breaches of confidentiality jeopardize the investigation and resolution of allegations and may lead to disciplinary action.

All employees are required to cooperate with EEO investigations and tell the truth. Employees who do not cooperate or who compromise the integrity of the investigation may be subject to disciplinary action.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is available as a resource for employees who desire counseling for stress, interpersonal conflicts, legal issues and/or other concerns. Employees may contact the SCDD Personnel Office at (916) 263-8121 for more information regarding the EAP or Magellan Healthcare at (866) EAP-4SOC (1-866-327-4762). TTY users should call (800) 424-6117. The EAP is a confidential program.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions regarding this Policy should be referred to the EEO Office at:

State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Equal Employment Opportunity Office

Phone: (916) 263-8121

Most Recent Action

Revisions approved by Legal and HR April 25, 2018.

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE STATEMENT

Purpose:

To comply with the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and continue receiving federal grants and contracts, state agencies must certify that they provide drug-free workplaces and have issued drug-free workplace statements with these provisions to their employees.

Authority/Reference:

Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988
Title 2, Article 29, Rule 599.960 of the California Code of Regulations

Applies To:

Councilmembers, Committee members and staff

POLICY

Policy Statement

To comply with the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and continue receiving federal grants and contracts, state agencies must certify that they provide drug-free workplaces and have issued drug-free workplace statements with these provisions to their employees.

It is the policy of the State of California (refer to Title 2, Article 29, Rule 599.960 of the California Code of Regulations) that the state workplace be free from the effects of drug and alcohol. This is to avoid the dangers arising from substance abuse in the workplace. These dangers include death and injury to the employee, co-workers, or the public resulting from accidents, dereliction of duty, poor judgment and carelessness. Substance abuse also results in lost productivity, reduced efficiency, and increased absenteeism by the substance abuser and interferes with the job performance of employees who do not use illegal or unauthorized substances.

This policy, which is consistent with Government Code Section 19572 and the Governor's Executive Order D-58-86, states that no state employee who is on

duty shall (1) use, possess, or be under the influence of illegal or unauthorized drugs or other illegal mind-altering substances; or, (2) use or be under the influence of alcohol or any other legal substances to any extent that would impede the employee's ability to perform his or her duties safely and effectively; and (3) Perform duties that pose a threat to the health or safety of the employee or others due to drugs taken under a legal prescription. Furthermore, no employee shall perform duties which, because of drugs taken under a legal prescription, the employee cannot perform without posing a threat to the health and safety of the employee or others.

California law also prohibits the unlawful manufacture, dispensation, possession, or illegal use of a controlled substance. That prohibition extends to all places and includes the worksite of California State Employees.

Employees convicted of a violation of a criminal drug statute when the violation occurred at a state employee's worksite shall report the conviction to the state agency within five (5) days of the conviction.

In the event of the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or illegal use of a controlled substance at a state worksite, the state may take disciplinary action pursuant to applicable Government Code sections and/or require the satisfactory completion of a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program.

The state Employee Assistance Program (EAP) provides drug problem assessment and referral to appropriate counseling and rehabilitation services. The EAP is available to all state employees. Procedures exist to ensure the confidentiality of EAP records. Contact your personnel office for further information.

It is the intent of the state that each state employee abides by the terms of this Drug-Free Workplace Statement.

Most Recent Action

Provided to all SCDD Staff December 30, 2015

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

Purpose:

To inform Councilmembers and staff of the State of California's zero tolerance policy for all acts of sexual harassment.

Authority/Reference:

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000 (1964)).
Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code, § 12940 et. seq. and Government Code § 19572).

Applies To:

Councilmembers, Committee members and staff

POLICY

Policy Statement

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) is committed to providing a workplace in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity. No person should endure sexual harassment in the workplace. All SCDD employees, including contract employees, interns and volunteers, are subject to this Policy regardless of their employment status. This Policy applies to any location that can be reasonably regarded as an extension of the workplace such as any off-site social or business function or any other non-SCDD facility where SCDD business is being conducted. The SCDD is also committed to preventing sexual harassment toward individuals receiving services by the SCDD.

ZERO TOLERANCE

The SCDD has zero tolerance for all acts of sexual harassment. The SCDD is committed to providing all employees a safe work environment free from sexual harassment. A zero-tolerance policy means working to prevent any inappropriate behavior. A Councilmember/employee's action does not need to be severe or pervasive to be in violation of this Policy. The Councilmember/employee may be subject to a disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, for violating this Policy.

The SCDD recognizes that false accusations of sexual harassment can have a serious effect on an innocent Councilmember/employee's reputation and character. Therefore, any Councilmember/employee found to have provided untrue information may be subject to disciplinary action.

Supervisors and managers may be subject to disciplinary action for failure to take appropriate and expedient action to ensure a work environment free of sexual harassment.

EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Any Councilmember/employee or individual who believes that they have been sexually harassed has a responsibility to immediately report the potential Policy violation to their supervisor and/or manager or to the SCDD's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Office. The SCDD must be aware of sexual harassment in order to take appropriate corrective action. If the alleged harasser is the employee's supervisor or manager or if the employee is not comfortable reporting the sexual harassment to that individual, employees should report the behavior to another supervisor or directly to the EEO Office.

The EEO Office can be reached at:

**State Council on Developmental Disabilities
Equal Employment Opportunity Office**

Phone: (916) 322-5521

In addition, Councilmembers/employees have an obligation to:

- Adhere to this Policy.
- Refrain from engaging in, condoning, tolerating or ignoring conduct that violates this Policy.
- Cooperate with any investigation regarding an alleged violation of this Policy.
- Report the potential Policy violation to their supervisor and/or manager or to the SCDD's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Office.

SUPERVISOR AND MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervisors and managers are expected to know and implement this Policy. Supervisors and managers must ensure that all new employees are given this Policy and take the online and other sexual harassment training offered by SCDD. Any supervisor or manager that becomes aware of any possible sexual harassment is obligated by state and federal laws as well as this Policy to take immediate and appropriate action to address such situations to help prevent the conduct from continuing. This includes immediately communicating with the alleged harasser that the behavior must stop. Supervisors and managers must document all incidents and/or complaints of sexual harassment and submit documentation to the EEO Officer immediately. The EEO Officer will assess the situation, consult with the supervisor or manager on the appropriate follow-up steps, and determine the depth of the investigation.

MANDATED TRAINING

California Law (Government Code section 12950.1) requires that all supervisors and managers complete a two-hour interactive Preventing Sexual Harassment training course every two years. To comply with this mandatory requirement, all SCDD supervisors and managers must complete the “Supervisory” version of the Sexual Harassment training.

Additionally, although not mandated by law, it is the SCDD’s Policy that all non-supervisory employees take the “Non-supervisory” version of the training every two years. It is the supervisor’s or manager’s responsibility to ensure that their staff takes the training.

COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Individuals who believe they have been subjected to sexual harassment should file a complaint with the SCDD’s EEO Office within 365 days from the date of the alleged incident(s). A complaint is filed using the SCDD EEO Discrimination Complaint Form. For further information regarding the complaint process, refer to the SCDD’s Discrimination and Harassment Policy or contact the EEO Office.

Employees in Bargaining Units 1 and 4 have the ability to make their complaint of sexual harassment through the grievance process. A formal grievance must be filed on a STD 630, Employee Contract Grievance form, no later than 30 calendar days after the employee can reasonably be expected to have known of the event occasioning the grievance. Allegations of sexual harassment can be

appealed through the third level of review in the grievance process. Allegations of retaliation or threats of retaliation may be appealed through the entire grievance and arbitration process.

All Councilmembers/employees have the option to file sexual harassment complaints with the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing within 365 days from the last date of the alleged incident(s). Additionally, employees may file sexual harassment complaints with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission within 300 days from the first date of the alleged incident(s).

Further information for these agencies can be found at:

California Department of Fair Employment and Housing

www.dfeh.ca.gov

Phone: (800) 884-1684

TDD: (800) 700-2320

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

www.eeoc.gov

Phone: (800) 669-4000

TTY: (800) 669-6820

DEFINITIONS

Sexual harassment: is any unwelcomed sexual advance, request for sexual favor(s), or other visual, physical or verbal conduct of a sexual nature when submission to such conduct is made, either explicitly or implicitly, a term or condition of an individual's employment or receipt of SCDD services. Sexual harassment may be directed against a particular individual or group of either the opposite sex or same sex. Generally, there must be a pattern of unlawful conduct, although a single serious incident in some cases might be enough to constitute sexual harassment. The courts have defined two types of sexual harassment: quid pro quo and hostile work environment, as defined below.

Quid Pro Quo: (in English meaning "something for something") is a type of sexual harassment which occurs when a supervisor or manager:

- Demands a subordinate submit to sexual advances as an explicit or implied term or condition of employment decisions. This may include situations

which began as reciprocal relationships, but which later ceased to be reciprocal.

- Makes requests for sexual favors or other verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature that is an explicit or implied term or condition of employment decisions.

Hostile Work Environment: is a form of sexual harassment which occurs when an individual is subjected to unwelcome behavior that is sexual in nature and is sufficiently severe or pervasive to interfere with the individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment. The conduct is viewed both subjectively and objectively. The courts look at the totality of the circumstances surrounding the alleged incidents of harassment to determine whether unlawful conduct has occurred.

Employee: as used in this policy only, means an individual who works for this agency, whether full or part time, receives pay, and has an employee identification number. For this policy only, this definition also includes individuals who have signed an employment agreement or contract to provide services to or on behalf of this agency, as well as recognized interns (paid or unpaid), and volunteers.

Person: as used in this policy only, means a member of the public conducting business with this agency or receiving services from this agency, such as a vendor, licensee, third party or claimant.

EXAMPLES OF PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR

Examples of quid pro quo harassment include, but are not limited to:

- Sexual requests made either explicitly or implicitly as a term or condition of employment.
- Sexual requests in exchange for a promotion or raise.
- Express or implied statement that a person will be demoted or fired if she or he does not submit to a sexual request, whether or not the statement or threat is actually carried out.

Examples of a hostile work environment include, but are not limited to:

- Leering, making or sending sexual jokes, sexually suggestive remarks, sexual gestures, or sending e-mails with pictures that are sexual in nature.
- Making unwelcomed offensive, negative or demeaning remarks about a person's gender or physical appearance that are viewed as sexual in nature.
- Deliberate and unwelcome touching, hugging, and patting or blocking a person's movement.
- Displaying offensive sexual illustrations or pictures in the workplace, looking at pictures on a computer that can be viewed by other employees that are sexual in nature.
- Unwelcome request or pressure for dates or sex (this may include situations which began as reciprocal relationships, but which later ceased to be reciprocal). A "date" is defined as a request to meet one on one. It is never appropriate for an employee to request a date after an initial request is denied.

The intent of the person accused does not determine sexual harassment. The impact and/or whether the victim perceives it to be offensive or sexually harassing is the primary factor in determining if sexual harassment has occurred.

RETALIATION

Actions of retaliation taken against individuals who report or file complaints of sexual harassment, or for individuals providing information during a complaint investigation, are strictly prohibited. The SCDD will not tolerate any retaliation against an individual who reports in good faith and/or provides information in an investigation of a complaint of sexual harassment, regardless of whether the claim of sexual harassment is determined to be valid or unfounded.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The SCDD has an obligation to address complaints of sexual harassment. The EEO Office and others responsible for implementing this Policy will respect the confidentiality and privacy of individuals involved in a sexual harassment investigation to the extent possible. The SCDD cannot guarantee complete confidentiality where it would conflict with the obligation to investigate meaningfully or, where warranted, to take corrective action.

All SCDD Councilmembers/employees who take part in any of the procedures under this Policy are expected not to reveal any information they learn in the

course of the proceedings, with anyone other than EEO staff and their own personal legal counsel or union representative. Breaches of confidentiality jeopardize the investigation and resolution of claims of harassment, and may lead to disciplinary action.

All Councilmembers/employees are required to cooperate with EEO investigations and tell the truth. Councilmembers/employees who do not cooperate or who compromise the integrity of the investigation may be subject to disciplinary action.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is available as a resource for Councilmembers/employees who desire counseling for stress, interpersonal conflicts, legal issues and/or other concerns. Councilmembers/employees may contact the SCDD Personnel Office at (916) 322-5521 for more information regarding the EAP or Magellan Healthcare at (866) EAP-4SOC (1-866-327-4762). TTY users should call (800) 424-6117. The EAP is a confidential program.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions regarding this Policy should be referred to the EEO Office at:

State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Equal Employment Opportunity Office

Phone: (916) 263-8121

Most Recent Action

Revisions approved by Legal and HR January 2018

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Purpose:

To inform Councilmembers, ~~and~~ employees, and volunteers serving on advisory committees of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities' commitment to providing a workplace in which all individuals are treated with courtesy, dignity, and respect.

Authority/Reference:

Government Code § 1090 et seq.; 199901446 et seq.; 87100 et seq., California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Division 1, Administrative Personnel, Chapter 1, State Personnel Board, Subchapter 1.3. Examinations and Appointments, Article 8. Examinations, Section 172. General Qualifications.

Applies To:

Councilmembers, ~~and~~ employees, and volunteers serving on advisory committees

POLICY

In addition to prohibitions against unlawful harassment and discrimination, SCDD has zero tolerance for abusive, unprofessional and/or unethical/unethical conduct in the workplace. Accordingly, derogatory racial, ethnic, religious, age, disability, sexual orientation, sexual or other inappropriate remarks, slurs, or jokes will not be tolerated.

For the purposes of this policy, unethical is defined as not only the previously stated behaviors, but also unethical accounting practices, bribery, incompatible activity with state employment, and misappropriation of funds, including financial conflicts of interest. Members of the Council, its Committees and employees shall conduct themselves using the principles of honesty, integrity, fairness, and good-faith.

Each employee must exercise his or her own good judgment to avoid engaging in conduct that may be perceived by others as harassment and/or

unprofessional, inappropriate behavior. Forms of harassment and other unprofessional, inappropriate behavior, include, but are not limited to: **Verbal**: repeated sexual innuendoes, racial or sexual epithets, derogatory slurs, off-color jokes, propositions, threats or suggestive or insulting sounds; **Visual/Non-Verbal**: derogatory posters, cartoons or drawings, suggestive objects or pictures, graphic commentaries, leering or obscene gestures, inappropriate jokes being sent or forwarded via email; **Physical**: unwanted physical contact including touching, interference with an individual's work movement or assault, and **Other**: making or threatening reprisals as a result of a negative response to harassment or sexual advances.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Employees or volunteers who believe they have experienced abusive, unprofessional conduct described in this policy should contact the Personnel Office at (916) 263-8121.

RETALIATION

Actions of retaliation taken against individuals who report or file a complaint of unprofessional conduct or provide information during a supervisor's fact finding meeting(s) are strictly prohibited. SCDD will not tolerate any retaliation against any individual(s) who, in good faith, report and/or provide information relative to a complaint of unprofessional conduct regardless of whether the complaint is determined to be valid or unfounded.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is available as a resource for employees who desire counseling for stress, interpersonal conflicts, legal issues and/or other concerns. Employees may contact the Personnel Office at (916) 322-5521 for more information regarding EAP or Magellan Healthcare at (866) EAP-4SOC (1-866-327-4762). TTY users should call (800) 424-6117. The EAP is a confidential program.

Most Recent Action

Revision approved by HR & Legal April 25, 2018

WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Purpose:

To increase awareness to recognize, confront, and deal with inappropriate behavior and eliminate or minimize threatening incidents to maintain a secure, safe and healthy work environment.

Authority/Reference:

California Labor Code Section 6400
California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 3203
California Government Code Section 19572
California Penal Code Section 171(b) and 16590
California Penal Code Section 71

Applies To:

Councilmembers and employees

IF SOMEONE IS IN IMMEDIATE DANGER or an incident occurs outside normal business hours, call 9-1-1 to dispatch the California Highway Patrol or local law enforcement.

POLICY

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) is committed to providing all Councilmembers and employees with a healthy, safe, respectful and positive work environment. In keeping with this commitment, SCDD has a zero-tolerance policy for workplace violence. Violence or threats of violence by or against any employee or anyone who interacts with an employee (such as a contractor, client or vendor) will not be tolerated.

For purposes of this Policy, statements and/or acts will be judged objectively as to whether they would cause a reasonable person to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.

Consistent with this Policy, all violent acts, threats of violence, including intimidation, harassment and/or coercion in the workplace or in the course of

employment away from the workplace, which causes a reasonable person to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property are prohibited and actionable. State law also prohibits the possession of weapons on SCDD premises.

ZERO TOLERANCE

SCDD has a zero tolerance for all acts or threats of workplace violence. SCDD is committed to providing all employees and anyone who interacts with an employee a safe work environment free from workplace violence. A “zero-tolerance” policy means working to prevent any inappropriate behavior. An individual’s action does not need to be severe or pervasive to be in violation of this Policy. Any employee who engages in conduct prohibited by this Policy including, but not limited to, assaultive or verbally/physically abusive behavior, will be subject to immediate disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Each Councilmember/employee is responsible for reviewing the Policy and ensuring the Policy is observed. In the event a Councilmember/employee experiences and/or witnesses intimidation, threats, harassment or assault, the Councilmember/employee should immediately report it to the supervisor or manager. If the individual making the threat is the employee’s supervisor or manager, the employee should elevate the incident through their appropriate chain of command without fear of reprisal. If the individual making the threat is a manager or supervisor outside of the individual’s chain of command, the employee should immediately report the incident to the individual’s manager or supervisor. If the individual making the threat is a Councilmember, they should immediately report the incident to the Executive Director.

SUPERVISOR AND MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES

It is the expectation that SCDD supervisors and managers ensure compliance with provisions of this Policy. Supervisors and managers shall ensure their employees are aware of, and act in compliance with, this Policy. Supervisors and managers are also responsible for establishing and maintaining an environment which fosters professional behavior of all staff and is supportive of staff subjected to unprofessional behavior.

Any supervisor or manager who witnesses or receives a report of workplace violence shall be responsible for taking reasonable steps to ensure the matter is addressed, consistent with SCDD procedures. Failure to report an employee complaint within 24 hours of discovery may result in disciplinary action. SCDD remains committed to reviewing and appropriately responding to allegations of workplace violence and issuing appropriate discipline for Policy violations.

REPORTING

SCDD requires that all threats and acts of violence, regardless of the source, be reported to the Personnel Office within 24 hours of discovery. The Policy emphasizes our continued commitment to take proactive steps to protect, as fully as possible, employees from acts of violence, threats, intimidation and harassment which may occur at state workplaces and during the performance of state duties. An SCDD Incident Report must be completed for all workplace violence incidents which occur throughout the SCDD.

Each report will be assessed and appropriate action taken if a determination is made the allegation or complaint has merit.

Employees have an obligation to cooperate fully and in good faith in any subsequent investigation or follow-up activity in relation to workplace violence incidents and will be protected from retaliation.

It is imperative all incidents of threatening language and behavior be reported timely so SCDD can respond effectively. Ignoring threatening behavior sends the message such behavior is acceptable. Not reporting an incident may cause a more serious incident to occur at a later time or date.

DEFINITIONS

The prohibition against any acts of workplace violence applies to anyone involved in SCDD operations including, but not limited to, SCDD personnel, contracted and temporary staff.

Workplace: is anywhere a Councilmember/employee is conducting authorized state business or en route to and from a location where state business is, will be or has been conducted.

An Act of Violence: refers to any:

- Physical action, which can or does cause physical or mental injury/harm.
- Non-physical, verbal or written threats, and/or similar assaultive, abusive or intimidating conduct/behavior which cause a reasonable person to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.

Threat: a threat is a statement (verbal, written or physical) which would cause a reasonable person to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property. This includes threats made in jest but which others could perceive as serious.

Harassment: the creation of a negative environment through verbal statements, actions or physical contact which would cause a reasonable person to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.

Intimidation: to bully, make afraid, frighten, alarm, annoy or scare a person to the extent it causes a reasonable person to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.

Stalking: when any person willfully, maliciously and repeatedly follows or harasses another and makes a credible threat with the intent to place that person in reasonable fear for his/her safety or the safety of his/her family.

Reasonable Person: identifies how most people within a community would behave in any given situation.

EXAMPLES OF WORKPLACE VIOLENCE

Examples of workplace violence include, but are not limited to, the following:

- All threats or acts of violence occurring on SCDD premises regardless of the relationship between the SCDD and the parties involved in the incident.
- All threats or acts of violence occurring off the SCDD premises which involve someone who is acting in the capacity of a representative of SCDD.

- All threats or acts of violence occurring off SCDD premises which involve an employee of SCDD if the threats or acts have a nexus (i.e., connection) to SCDD employee(s) or interests.
- All acts or threats of violence resulting in the conviction of an employee or agent of SCDD or an individual performing services for SCDD on a contract or temporary basis under any criminal code provision relating to violence or threats of violence, which have a nexus to the SCDD employment or interests.

EXAMPLES OF PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR

Specific examples of conduct which may be considered threats or acts of violence include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Physical assault (with or without weapons), or other behavior that a reasonable person would interpret as being violent (for example, including hitting, shoving an individual).
- Violent physical, verbal or written expressions (e.g. moving closer aggressively) which cause a *reasonable person* to fear physical harm. Does not require an actual contact or injury.
- Inappropriate expressions of anger, including blocking behavior, making menacing gestures, throwing objects or raising one's voice in a loud, disruptive manner which may include profanity or obscenities which cause a *reasonable person* to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.
- Physical, verbal or written expressions which have the intention or the effect of frightening, alarming or intimidating which cause a *reasonable person* to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.
- Harassing surveillance or stalking which cause a *reasonable person* to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.

- The intentional, unauthorized destruction of or threats to destroy SCDD property which cause a *reasonable person* to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.
- Harassing or threatening phone calls which cause a *reasonable person* to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.
- Threatening statements made in a kidding or joking manner which cause a *reasonable person* to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.
- Threats to do harm to another employee or member of the public made in either a direct or indirect manner.
- Any of the above or unlawful conduct that occurs away from the workplace but that is related to or impacts SCDD activities or otherwise has a nexus to SCDD employment or interests (e.g. stalking of, or violent conduct toward, an SCDD employee, client, vendor, or volunteer after duty hours or at an SCDD sponsored event off of SCDD premises).

A disagreement between staff should not in itself be construed as workplace violence. Such behavior may be deemed unprofessional and may be a violation of SCDD's Unprofessional Conduct Zero-Tolerance Policy; however, it is not workplace violence unless there is an element of threat which causes a *reasonable person* to worry about the safety of themselves, other individuals or property.

PROHIBITED WEAPONS

Bringing a firearm or weapon of any kind onto state property or possession of such a weapon in the course and scope of employment is **strictly prohibited**. A weapon is an object or device which can be used to threaten or cause harm, including all guns (loaded or unloaded), knives with blades exceeding four inches, Tasers, billy clubs, metal knuckles, any type of explosive device, tear gas or other receptacles containing illegal chemical substances and any other item which SCDD views as an object or instrument that can be used to threaten or cause harm.

Pepper spray is not prohibited by law or by this Policy. However, individuals shall place it in a secure location, such as a locked cabinet, while they are on state property.

RETALIATION

SCDD will take proactive steps to protect Councilmembers/employees from threats made by employees and non-employees. Any act of retaliation against someone for filing a complaint in good faith is prohibited and will result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

CONFIDENTIALITY

All SCDD Councilmembers/employees who take part in a workplace violence investigation are prohibited from discussing the investigation, the investigation's subject matter or any communications with anyone except the investigator, staff of the Personnel Office, their own personal legal counsel and/or union representative. Confidentiality must be maintained to uphold the integrity of this process.

To the extent possible, SCDD will keep any and all participation in the investigation confidential. However, SCDD cannot guarantee complete confidentiality where it would conflict with the obligation to investigate meaningfully or, where warranted, to take corrective action.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is available as a resource for employees who desire counseling for stress, interpersonal conflicts, legal issues and/or other concerns. Employees may contact the Personnel Office at (916) 322-5521 for more information regarding EAP or Magellan Healthcare at (866) EAP-4SOC (1-866-327-4762). TTY users should call (800) 424-6117. The EAP is a confidential program.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions regarding this policy should be referred to the Personnel Office at (916) 263-8121 during normal business hours.

Workplace Violence Prevention Incident Report Form

Parts I –IV shall be completed by the employee

PART I - NATURE OF INCIDENT - (check all that apply)

Section A

- Threat Verbal Written
- Electronic Physical with Injury Physical without Injury
- Harassment Behavioral Observation Information Only
- Other

Section B

Date of incident: _____ Approximate Time: _____
a.m./p.m.

Description of observation, threat, incident, or activity. Continue on separate sheet of paper if necessary.

PART II - INCIDENT DIRECTED AT:

Person(s):

Place:

Structure:

PART III - INCIDENT INITIATED BY:

Person(s):

Male Female Employee Classification: _____

Worksite: _____

PART IV - TYPE/LOCATION INCIDENT OCCURRED

Section A

Type of Contact:

In person Telephone Mail Observation Recording

Electronic Mail

Fax Other _____

Was the employee alone? Yes No

Section B

Location of Incident:

Worksite Employee's Residence Other

Section C

Address/Location where incident occurred:

Street City State

Section D

Were any threats made before the incident occurred? Yes No

Did the Councilmember/ employee(s) ever report to the department that he/she was threatened, harassed, or suspicious that the attacker may become violent?
 Yes No

Was the perpetrator a stranger, client/patient, co-worker, or otherwise familiar person? _____

Was a weapon used? Yes No

If yes, what type of weapon? _____

Section E

Were there injuries? Yes No

If yes, who was injured?

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Injury
Description: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Injury
Description: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Injury
Description: _____

Witnesses(s) to the incident:

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____
Street City State

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____
Street City State

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____
Street City State

**PART V - (TO BE COMPLETED BY MANAGER/SUPERVISOR) - ACTION TAKEN-
REPORTING SUPERVISOR**

Law enforcement or other outside agencies contacted?

Yes No

Agency

Name: _____

Case Number If

Applicable: _____

Were Employee Assistance Program services provided? Yes No

PART VI – (TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSONNEL OFFICER) ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:

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Most Recent Action

Approved by Legal and HR on April 25, 2018

February 23, 2023

AGENDA ITEM 13.

ACTION ITEM

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

***Review & Take Action on Local Self-Determination Advisory Committee
Applications***

Members will review local SDAC applications for the following regional centers:

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

**SACRAMENTO REGION
ALTA OF CALIFORNIA
REGIONAL CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-242

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: Alta California

I am a: Employment Support Specialist for Futures Explored

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 started in the field as a DSP supporting college students 7 years ago. I moved on to creating a customized employment training program and currently am developing a PCP employment path for students interested in working in the film and media industry.

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

I am interested in SD and how to support on the employment side of advocacy and community integration. I want to continue my advocacy work in the areas of public policy, employment equality and improved training for new DSP's to the field.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I have had many hours of training and actively put SD at the forefront of my support with students. I support in creating realistic plans, connecting students to supports in the community and advocating for equality in employment options within the film and media industry. I am looking for opportunities to continue my advocacy work and increase employment opportunities for our clients.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-276

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **El Dorado**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional):

Regional Center: Alta California

I am a: Brother to Lanterman Act beneficiary, his SDP representative

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 had to learn the DDS/DHCS waiver, and pertinent WIC and Title 17 sections, and engage in several OAH cases to force our regional center to provide SDP statutory benefits. I know a lot about SDP. Additionally, I have obtained substantial, statewide SDP data from DDS. I am a Ph.D. empirical scientist and am analyzing it. I have already found GAPING holes in coverage. I am very knowledgeable about SDP.

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

1) Lanterman Act, 2) SLS and SDP

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

See above. I am an empirical scientist, I analyze legislation for a living, and I know a lot about SDP, including how to litigate at the OAH. I bring a wealth of pertinent information. I can also provide a long list of shortcomings of regional centers, which are therefore problems in need of a fix.

**SEQUOIA REGION
CENTRAL VALLEY
REGIONAL CENTER**

**LOS ANGELES REGION
EAST LOS ANGELES
REGIONAL CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-259

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Asian

Regional Center: East Los Angeles

I am a: Self-Advocate (Person with disability)

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?:

Having the willingness to take a stand for the rights of all people!

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

Justice and equality!

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I am determined to make the world a better place by determining on my own what is right and what is wrong.

**LOS ANGELES REGION
FRANK D. LANTERMAN
REGIONAL CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-286

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Armenian

Regional Center: Frank D. Lanterman

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

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

Independent Facilitation & FMS issues

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I am an IF.

**NORTH STATE REGION
FAR NORTHERN
REGIONAL CENTER**

**BAY AREA REGION
GOLDEN GATE REGIONAL
CENTER**

**LOS ANGELES REGION
HARBOR REGIONAL
CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-266

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Mexicana

Regional Center: Harbor

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?:

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

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Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

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SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-281

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **LA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Harbor

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?:

Parenting a daughter with a disability

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

participating and helping the local community

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

To contribute my experience of 25 years in the special needs community as well as to stay connected and continue learn of the latest developments

**SAN BERNARDINO REGION
INLAND REGIONAL
CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-244

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Riverside**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): African-American

Regional Center: Inland

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?:

Over 20 years experience in industry various service lines

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

Housing, transportation, employment

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I support individual choice and want to assist participants in maximizing their options

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-257

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Inland

I am a: Self-Advocate (Person with disability)

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 volunteer work with the California State Council of Developmental Disabilities Regional Advisory Committee

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

System advocacy for adults with developmental disabilities

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I previously worked at an ILC in 90s

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-268

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): African-American

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?:

I have a son with Autism

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

Employment and continued education

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

employed by the State Council on Developmental Disabilities

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-288

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Bernardino**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): African-American

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?:

21 year old son- Autism Spectrum

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

underserved communities

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Son will be in year 3 with SDP 3/1/2023, Independent Facilitator, African-American representation, "All" deserves equal access, resources, & assistance; Enhanced quality of life

**SEQUOIA REGION
KERN REGIONAL CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-264

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Kern**

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?

Yes

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

I have disabled siblings and I was made aware that the world does not easily accommodate disabled people. While working in healthcare, I peer-coached to help my coworkers be able to help their patients be involved and be decision-makers in their care. When my middle son was born, I came full circle into the "consumer" side of navigating disability services.

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

Helping the actually disabled person be able to be fully "self-determined" and be able to approach and navigate the system. The circle of support is vital. The people that do not have a circle of support need to be able to receive services, as well.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

When my son was diagnosed Autistic, he wanted to be able to be as "normal" as possible. During his school years, we were able to achieve that with the support of the school staff and his IEP. He graduated from high school with a diploma. After high school, the "wall" hit hard. He was not able to get a job or navigate the community college system without advocacy and support. To receive support, he was told he needed to be a Regional Center client. Living in the rural area we are in, in order to receive the services he needed as an adult, he needed to be an SDP participant. He has told me that if I had not gone through this whole process with him, he would have walked away. It was too frustrating and inaccessible for him. I

want to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee to help others be able to access the services and supports they need when they don't have any other support to help them.

**NORTH BAY REGION
NORTH BAY
REGIONAL CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-256

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sonoma**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: North Bay

I am a: PCS

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?:

NA

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

NA

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Participant Choice Coordinator

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-265

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: North 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?:

My developmentally disabled step daughter

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

Helping other families and myself become aware of and navigate the SDP process and other programs available to our disabled community . And helping my step-daughter and others find meaningful supportive employment

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I recently completed the application process and it was very challenging. I hope to help others more easily navigate the process by sharing my journey and experience. And I'm hopeful about building a network of shared support service resources we can all access

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-274

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sonoma**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: North Bay

I am a: Community

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?:

13 years ago it started as I worked at a residential setting. I was passing out medication to this gentle and I've heard he will challenge me. So I prepared for my encounter with him and I decided to ask him which medication would he like to start with. He choose the one he wanted to start with and after that he would provide choices for himself whenever he has a chance. I thought of how smart he was and realized he wasn't offered choices before that's why I was prewarned about challenges. Since then I ensure that are choices and opportunities for people with developmental disabilities. I've trained and developed staff to naturally delivery equality and equity.

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

Educational and Employment

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I recieved the training for Self-determination a few years back. I believe this program has the components to have a huge impact on the participants, families, and their sc's. My goal as a PCP facilitator is to use this tool to develop community business partnerships and in creating stronger communities with inclusions. I aim to motivate, educate, empower, and inspire people to thrive in their communities and then they can lead others to do the same. What motivates me to serve as a Self-Determination Advisory Committee is the opportunity to do just that.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-277

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Solano**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: North Bay

I am a: Self-Advocate (Person with disability)

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 a disabled self-advocate since I started college at 18 years old after fleeing a home where my disabilities were neglected and dismissed. I finally received my Autism and ADHD diagnosis in 2020. I discovered Regional Center services from my sibling, a chosen family member who also was diagnosed with autism well into adulthood, after several years of scrambling to support each other and our family in managing our progressive disabilities. Since joining the Regional Center I have begun receiving the supports I need in order to safely navigate my daily life and, finally, return to finish my education.

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

I am passionate about increasing the accessibility and awareness of these services to multiply marginalized people with developmental disabilities, as well as shifting internal perspectives of people with disabilities that are more often than not patronizing and exclusionary. While these attitudes are usually not intentional, they present extreme barriers to developmentally disabled people as people who work in the field make assumptions about what information we can handle, what our needs are, and what natural supports we have. As someone who functionally has no parents, I know intimately how difficult it can be to know what our rights are and advocate for them without the support usually assumed by workers in the field.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I am in the process of joining the Self-Determination Program along with my sibling, Vron Vance. While I am new to this process, I am eager to understand better the full breadth of the program and help facilitate making it more accessible and achievable for multiply marginalized people with developmental disabilities, especially from the perspectives of Disability Justice and Language Justice which recognize the wholeness of each person and the need to treasure our languages, whatever forms they may take.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-287

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Sonopma**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Siberian

Regional Center: North 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?:

My son is trying to move to SDP from traditional NBRC services

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

disability rights

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I try to help to move my son's SDP from traditional NBRC services. This is my experience and the move is still ongoing. I consider to address disability rights in my work with SDP Advisory Committee.

**LOS ANGELES REGION
NORTH LOS ANGELES
COUNTY REGIONAL
CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-270

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: North Los Angeles

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?:

Both my interest and my knowledge in the developmental disability field started with my mom. She is an advocate who has helped me get everything I have. I don't have a ton of knowledge of the developmental disability field outside of what I've picked up from my mom but I hope to learn alot.

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

I'm interested in social justice and equity for those with developmental disabilities, I'm also interested in helping to increase accessibility in society.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I've attended both of my brothers PCP meetings and i've had my own. I will soon be in SDP myself.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-271

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: North 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 have son that's 25 with Down Syndrome/Autism

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?:

I am just learning and what to continue to learn to be able first help my son and second other families in the Hispanic community.

**BAY AREA REGION
REGIONAL CENTER OF
THE EAST BAY**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-261

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Alameda**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: East Bay

I am a: Self-Advocate (Person with disability)

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?:

For help navigate siatem.the families

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

Advocacy and support parents to conect services and provide support for self Advocacy

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Have experience help provide support Eip and advocacy for support and conect an navigate system and conect whit resources al diferent.level studens whit disabilities Husd hayward,and provide heavy training for parents

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-273

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Alameda**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): African-American

Regional Center: East Bay

I am a: Advocate

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?:

Work/ personal

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

I work as an advocate with Disability Rights Ca

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I assist people through my employment who are trying to obtain specific disability related services such as the Self- Determination program . I want to make sure that I am as informed as possible and could bring a unique client centered perspective to the committee. I also have a child who is going through the Self- determination process. Lastly I identify as person of color who has a disability

**ORANGE COUNTY REGION
REGIONAL CENTER OF
ORANGE COUNTY**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-283

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?

No

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

Godson/nephew is a consumer

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

Godson/nephew is a consumer. Am part of family circle or support and interested in helping break down barriers if entry.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Godson/nephew is a consumer. Am part of family circle or support and interested in helping break down barriers if entry. i apologize for the short response. Not sure if there's a timing deadline on submittal for consideration but sitting via my mobile device right after the monthly committee meeting .

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-284

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Orange County**

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?:

For my child with autism

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

Regional centers services (self determination committee), Special Education, IHSS

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 his third year in SDP. I am working like Independent Facilitator with Latino families with 8 regional centers. I want to serve my SD Advisory Committee because my Latino community have to be representative.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-285

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **USA**

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?:

Because of my son's disability.

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

My area of interest is obtaining services that improve the lives of people with disabilities

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

In 2019 I took the independent facilitator course, my son is in his first year of the self-determination program, I know some of the barriers of the program

**NORTH COAST REGION
REDWOOD COAST
REGIONAL CENTER**

**CENTRAL COAST REGION
SAN ANDRES REGIONAL
CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-262

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Santa Clara**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Aveanna Healthcare

Regional Center: San Andreas

I am a: Community Relations Specialist

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?:

Aveanna Healthcare

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

Community Relations Specialist

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Mayra Hernandez, Community Relations Specialist at Aveanna Healthcare

**LOS ANGELES REGION
SOUTH CENTRAL LOS
ANGELES REGIONAL
CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-239

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?:

I'm a mother of 3 clientes

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

All areas

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I have been supporting SDP since it wasn't a law my kids were one of the first 2,500 who won the lottery for SDP

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-275

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): African-American

Regional Center: South Central Los Angeles

I am a: IF, Administrator, Resources Trainer

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?:

Employee of a program since 2016

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

Providing resources to individuals currently in SDP & PCP training for staff

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Employee of program, IF work, and seeing that SD individuals are having a hard time within the RC and with locating resources once in the program.

**SAN DIEGO IMPERIAL
REGION
SAN DIEGO REGIONAL
CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-246

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional):

Regional Center: San Diego

I am a: Community 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 father was a teacher for the developmentally disabled and he taught students that were high school age. As a child I went to work with him while I was out of school during the summer months. I helped him with the students and I loved the fact I could help students with their math work because I had just learned the same math. As I got older I continued contact and in high school began working in the field as a classroom assistant at St. Madeline Sophie's. I have learning disabilities and used services while in college. Today I stumbled across your web site in my search of funding resources for a participant that I've been assigned to work with.

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

I am interested in numerous aspects related to this field. With dedicated and educated service providers (directors, facilitators, and facilitators) that many persons with disabilities can be trusted to make choices for themselves if they are appropriately and fully supported by the staff they work with to do so.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Good Day. When I was in 6th grade I was tested for learning disabilities and starting that that year and every year after I had IEP's. I struggled to be successful in school and stopped attending in 12th grade believing I was stupid. In 2005 I met someone who worked in the field of developmentally disabled and was I encouraged to go back to school. In 2006, when I was 37 years old and I graduated from Julian

High School with a diploma. In 2009 I graduated from Grossmont College with an AA. In 2018 I graduated from San Diego State University in 2018 with a BA. Also In 2018 I was hired by a private company that has been contracted by the federal government to routine perform background investigations on it's employees. My long term goal was to become a POST certified investigator however my disability "profound hearing loss" prevented that from occurring. I starting looking at other types of investigator positions and saw that the state of California has an investigator position but to qualify on must have 18 months experience working in the field. I became a Community Facilitator and fell in love with this type of work. The participants I work with are hopeful but not very self confident and when they are told "No" we can't help pay for that." they blindly accept that answer and sadly turn away from their dream. This is the case for one participant who asked for \$250 to pay for a laptop so she could go to college. If I understand what I've read correctly, if she were a Self-Determination participant she would be able to request funding to help her achieve her goal to attend and graduate from a community college. I have over 2 years of experience serving as a Student Trustee for Grossmont Cuyamaca Community College District Governing Board, I served a year as Director of Publicity for Student Government and held committee meetings in accordance with the Brown Act and Roberts Rules of Order. I have no preconceived notions as to what the SDAC does and I'm not interested to change things or shake things up. What I'm interested to do is to engage in meaningful conversations with people that have years more experience than I do and learn bests ways to perhaps to develop an approach, or a methodology that will serve to gently empower developmental disabled individuals. First that they can respectfully appeal a decision that denies them funding that would help them achieve their goal, educate providers about Self-Determination option and when it is an appropriate option to explore. Even If I am not selected to serve I am very interested to receive information and keep up with progress this committee's progress. Thank you, [REDACTED]

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-255

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

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?:

I've been involved with Early intervention and disabilities most of my life, and God blessed me with my own daughter with developmental delays.

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

I love Early Intervention and adults with DD.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I don't have much experience with Self-determination, but I'm learning as I go, since my daughter is almost in the program. I was involved and served on the Developmental Disabilities' Council of Contra Costa Council and learned about Self-determination pilot project. We moved, so my daughter didn't start the program.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-260

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

Phone: REDACTED

Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: San Diego

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 same aged cousin and I grew up very close to one another, and still are to this day. She was born with an Intellectual Disability and because of this I had many opportunities to be a part of this community from a young age. I attended a preschool for children with special needs as a reverse mainstream student. I volunteered for Special Olympics throughout growing up. I worked at a summer camp for adults with disabilities. I was in charge of Best Buddies programs in high school and college. I have worked as a special education teacher for the last decade and have begun working as an independent facilitator. I also teach special education teacher credential courses, Added Authorization for Autism Spectrum Disorder course, and Inclusive practices courses for the San Diego County Office of Education. I am also on the board for a local non-profit offering community integration and independent life skill services to RC clients.

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

My main interest in this field and service system is making sure the services and resources that are available to clients and their families are accessible. Most of the families I work with have expressed a disconnect between themselves and the services that are available to them.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I am currently working as an Independent Facilitator helping clients transition to the Self-Determination

Program. I feel as though I have an inside look of how the process works from the client/family perspective and some of the hurdles they are faced with in the process. I have participated in self-determination orientations, trainings, etc. I would like to serve on the SDLAC because I would like to volunteer my time and knowledge to those who could benefit from it. I also feel as though I can learn more about what my own community has to offer and connect more people to the services out there.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-263

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San Diego**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

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?

No

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

I have children with disabilities. I am a RN who does patient care and special education advocacy.

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

Autism. Medically Fragile.

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I have been trying to enroll my son into the SDRC Self-Determination Program (previous to this year his was in the lottery and not selected). The SDRC has not been very helpful in providing information, and their website is not very good. I plan to obtain more information/training to act as an Independent Facilitator for my son and possibly others.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-282

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **San diego**

Phone: REDACTED Email: REDACTED

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): Hispanic or Latino

Regional Center: San Diego

I am a: Self-Advocate (Person with disability)

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?:

Curious

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

Help with housing and voicing my opinion

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I didn't get hired once.

**LOS ANGELES REGION
SAN GABRIEL POMONA
REGIONAL CENTER**

**CENTRAL COAST REGION
TRI-COUNTIES REGIONAL
CENTER**

**NORTH VALLEY HILLS
REGION
VALLEY MOUNTAIN
REGIONAL CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-253

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?:

Miembro de familia- mama

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

Autodeterminacion

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

Siempre e trabajado con la comunidad desde que estudie leyes en Mexico, tengo disciplina Valores morales, me encantaria colaborar con el centro VMRC, al cual peertenece mi hijo Y Autodeterminacion es un gran concepto que destaca las fortalezas de nuestros consumidores y estoy dispuesta a apoyar con ustedes con fe y empuje.

**LOS ANGELES REGION
WESTSIDE REGIONAL
CENTER**

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-272

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?

Yes

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

I have a 16 year-old son with Autism. I have degree in communication and have conducted research at UCLA on the different styles of communication that individuals with autism utilize.

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

My focus is on the success of the 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 am an independent facilitator trainer and IF mentor. I have trained over 600+ independent facilitators. I worked over 5 years with the Autism Society of Los Angeles and was one of the lead self-determination trainers. I think bringing accurate and equitable information to the community is vital. I hope to bring my expertise in SDP and communication to help in finding solutions for the concerns the community and RC staff face in implementing the self-determination program.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-278

First Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

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?:

I am a parent of a son with a developmental 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?:

My son transitioned into self determination in 2020 and our experience is very positive. I've been attending the westside regional center committee meetings regularly and feel like I could contribute in a meaningful way.

SDAC Application

Unique ID: SDAC-279

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County of Residence: **Los Angeles**

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Race/Ethnicity (Optional): White

Regional Center: Westside

I am a: Service provider (Independent Facilitator/Advocate) with experience working at a Regional Center, working with WRC specifically, and working with very challenging cases in WRC and other catchment areas.

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 in the field for over a decade, since before finishing my Master's Degree, and in two different states. I once swore I would never work in this field again after seeing how poorly people were being treated, but Self-Determination, and California's overall Lanterman Act based system, were what I always hoped for the people I couldn't help more back then. I have extensive knowledge of the Lanterman Act, Regional Centers, and the Self-Determination Waiver, and I am passionate about reducing disparities and helping people get the services they are entitled to. My favorite cases are the really challenging ones, and I have successfully prevailed in over 10 informal Fair Hearings on behalf of individuals served by WRC in the last 8 months alone. I have seen the good, bad, and ugly of the system as a whole, and I want to both protect and advance Self-Determination.

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

Reducing disparities, challenging/high-needs cases, Fair Hearings, Person-Centered Thinking, the Lanterman Act

Please describe any previous experience with Self-Determination and explain why you wish to serve on the Self-Determination Advisory Committee?:

I am a credentialed Person-Centered Thinking Trainer who ran the Self-Determination Program at

SCLARC for two years, and helped almost 50 people transition successfully. As an Independent Facilitator, I have successfully transitioned over a dozen more since then, including 6 at WRC as of 12/1/2022. I feel that the committee doesn't understand their actual role OR the Lanterman Act/Waiver requirements, and that they are often going in circles during meetings. Given almost 18 years of management experience, as well as internal Regional Center experience and knowledge of the laws and requirements, I think I can bring a different perspective to the committee, particularly as while the role of parents and self-advocates cannot be understated in the developmental disability community as a whole, having an outside, professional, perspective is also critical for the system to work as smoothly as possible.