

# Agenda Item 8

CORO PROJECT

Self-Determination Program Budget Process Map

# Background

**Project Goal:** Address administrative burdens associated with budget development within the Self-Determination Program

- Create a process map for the budget development process. This resource is meant to assist participants, families and professionals in preparing for the process and help them to avoid unnecessary delays.
- Identify additional information/resources needed.
- Identify best/promising practices and areas of concern where the SSDAC can make recommendations to improve the process.

# Process

- Workgroup members and SCDD staff collaborated to recruit volunteers to participate in group interviews to inform the development of the Budget Process Map
  - Sent an email to SSDAC Workgroup Members on Dec. 23rd asking for volunteers and recommendations on who to contact. Formed two interview groups:
    - Self and Family Advocates
    - Professionals (IFs and Regional Center staff)
- Analysis and Follow-up
  - Create an initial draft based on information gathered
  - Seek additional feedback through one-on-one technical assistance and workgroup meeting

# Result

- The process map with a step-by-step guide can be found on the SSDAC webpage at the following link: <https://scdd.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/33/2025/02/SDP-Budget-Process-Map-and-Step-by-Step-ACCESSIBLE.pdf>
- Workgroup Member Vivian David-Nicolas will walk us through the process map

# Next Steps

- Spanish Translation
- Distribute widely (LVACs, SCDD Staff and DDS) and post on SSDAC Best Practices Platform (BPP)
- Workgroup will review lessons learned from the process to inform
  - Identification/creation of additional resources
  - Development of best/promising practice content to add to the BPP
  - Potential recommendations to DDS to improve the budget process

Questions?