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North Coast Regional Advisory Committee Candidates





State Council on Developmental Disabilities Outreach Application

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Mendocino
Region: North Coast
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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 was born with a developmental disability and have been a regional center consumer for long time.

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

I want to know that people are being treated fairly and with respect.

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

I can provide knowledge of how it is to live in this community as a disabled person.

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

I know the area and many of the people served by the North Coast Regional Center.

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County of Residence: Lake
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Race: White

Eligible for vacant

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

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

By advocating for my son , I realized that there were a lot more people that had no one to advocate for them. This led me to come into contact with the RAC.

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

I believe that by monitoring the different services and reducing the abuses in the system, more services will be available to those who need them.

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 be a part of the system that will insure that those who need services have those services available.

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

I am a business leader as well as a spokesman for those with developmental disabilities in our community.

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Race: White

Eligible for vacant

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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 represented individuals with developmental disabilities as an attorney in the dependency, delinquency, and probate courts.

I am also a speech pathologist/audiologist and worked with many individuals with developmental disabilities.

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

I consult with individuals and families for purposes of advocating at Individual Education Plans in the school systems. I am an expert in the field of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, as well as consulting with individuals about legal matters.

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 board member of an area board for the past five plus years. I believe that as a retired attorney with my knowledge and expertise that I can be helpful to the Regional Advisory Committee.

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

I have expertise working with individuals with developmental disabilities as an attorney. I have worked with individuals with developmental disabilities as speech pathologist/audiologist. I do trainings on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder as a member of Partnerships for Healthy Babies in Mendocino,

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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?

I am the mother of a beautiful daughter with a developmental disability.

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

My areas of interest are employment, self-advocacy, and projects that benefit people with developmental disabilities directly.

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 North Coast Regional Advisory Committee because I want to continue to advocate for individuals with developmental disabilities in rural Northern California.

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

I have been an active advocate for 28 years with SCDD as an Area Board member. The knowledge I have acquired over that time can be beneficial to the new Regional Advisory Committee as I have seen the state as a whole progress.

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County of Residence: Humboldt
Region: North Coast
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Race: White

Eligible for vacant

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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 Regional Advisory Committee

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

As an individual with developmental disabilities I have been interested in helping others navigate the field and service system. My time spent as member of Redwood Coast Regional Center's board and later Area Board 1 continued my passion for self and peer advocacy.

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

I have a special interest in helping people in the community to assure they get the most inclusive and best services to fulfill their life needs.

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

Due to my previous experience with SCDD I feel that I have special knowledge that would serve well on the Regional Advisory Committee.

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

I believe strongly in self-advocacy. I feel that I am not only a strong self-advocate but a strong peer-advocate as well. I am very outgoing and approachable which makes it easier for people to talk to me because I too know what it is like living with developmental disabilities.

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Race:

Eligible for vacant

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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 Regional Advisory Committee

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

I retired in 2005 after working 32 years for the Social Security Administration in Ukiah. As Operations Supervisor for 18 years I frequently worked with the disability community doing outreach, training, coordination of seminars and meetings closely working with clients. These interactions within my own community peaked my interest as a community member.

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

I am interested in systems change and access to generic services in regards to health, recreation, and early childhood intervention.

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

I have had the pleasure of serving on the Area Board since 2009 and have been able to be a part of change and positive action throughout my community. I would like to

continue to serve on the North Coast Regional Advisory Committee for those same reasons!

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

I bring a wealth of knowledge from my experience working for the Social Security Administration as well as my 7 years of experience with the former Board.

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Eligible for vacant

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

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Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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, REDACTED , is autistic. He is 23 years old. Back when he was diagnosed, autism wasn't on the radar like it is now. There were essentially no services/therapies for him back then, certainly not in a rural area like Lake County. We took every bit of advice from his special education teachers, and sort of made up the rest ourselves. He has grown into an amazing person who has given me more than I could ever hope to give him. I'm at the point now where I view autism as another form of intelligence, albeit a challenging and often misunderstood one. I am also a school teacher. At this point in my career it is almost becoming unusual not to have at least one kid on the spectrum in my class. I love working with these kids!

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

I am very interested in these kids moving on to college, and supporting them by educating college teachers/administration.

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

To help support kids like REDACTED .

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

REDACTED and I travel all over California giving presentations on autism. I am also the author of 'Sticks and Stones: A Father's Journey into Autism'.

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

I have knowledge in this field because I have a disability, my wife has a disability as well.

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: self-determination, employment, self advocacy, and empowerment.

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 North Coast Regional Advisory Committee because I want to help bring about a change. I want to be able to add my two cents worth and make my voice heard to help my friends, family, and community.

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



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Applicant: 189

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Del Norte
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: White

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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 Regional Advisory Committee

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

I began serving on the on the Area Board in 2012 and have learned a lot about being a self-advocate since then. I am a person with a developmental disability and have witnessed both the challenges and progress the developmental disability system has seen.

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

Some areas of interest I have in the developmental disability field are: Recreation, Health and Safety, Advocacy, Housing, and Employment.

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

I like learning from my peers and helping support people in my community. I also think it is important to represent individuals in rural Northern California and to be a part of positive change in my area.

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

My ability to work in a team setting and my knowledge as an individual who receives services are some strengths I bring to the Regional Advisory Committee. My life experience navigating the service system and being a self-advocate could definitely help others throughout California.

Bay Area Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



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County of Residence: Alameda
Region: Bay Area
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

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?

I have a 21 year old son with autism I have struggled over the years to get his complex needs met and the struggles as he has gotten older have intensified I serve on alameda county's developmental disabilities council, am interested in advocacy work I also am a working physical therapist

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

Services and supports for older kids and young adults helping to create the opportunity for these individuals to live active useful lives and to be valued by the culture at large

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

I feel I could make a meaningful contribution and continue with my advocacy work

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

Familiarity with systems currently in place and awareness of what needs to be considered to improve services and supports

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County of Residence: Alameda
Region: Bay Area
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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

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?

Since 1991 when my son with autism was first diagnosed, I have been involved in his special education and needs.

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

Day programs that teach a skill to even the severely autistic community since they are often left out of training due to behavioral problems, which might interfere with learning or staying on task.

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

Would like see services kept and improved so I know when my husband and I pass, my son will be protected by being conserved and by the state laws in place.

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

I bring perseverance to getting a problem solved since I've been problem-solving for my now 26 yo son for almost that long a time. I know how the regional services works but see a lack of opportunity for schooling and combined housing for the lower-functioning disability groups.

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County of Residence: San Mateo
Region: Bay Area
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: White

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Yes

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?

One day, Gabriel came to the Horizons Apartments. He introduced himself to me and was explaining all about what the State Council does.

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

I would like to see people who are lower functioning to get out into the community and work with people who are higher functioning. I would also like to see people live as normal a life as possible.

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

I feel that I could give plenty of input on what we can do to make a persons life less complicated. I like to be involved and I like to speak for those who cannot speak for themselves.

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

I would bring knowledge, new ideas, and I am very flexible with decisions that are made during the meetings.

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: OAKLAND
Region: Bay Area
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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 adult daughter is a person with developmental disabilities and visual impairment. In shepherding her through the school system and transition to adulthood, I became very involved and familiar with the processes, law regulations and benefits for people with developmental disabilities.

I previously served as a Board member, Chair, and President of Disability Rights California- the Federally required advocacy organization for persons with disabilities.

I currently serve on the advisory committee for implementation of the Self Determination initiative for the Regional Center of the East Bay.

I have served the last two years as a Board member of the East Bay Regional Advisory Committee (formerly Area Board 5) and have enjoyed that experience by sharing the information I have with other Board members and the public.

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

I am particularly interested in the Self Determination initiative as a means to facilitate more opportunities of independence of persons with disabilities. I also want to focus on facilitating employment outcomes for persons with disabilities so they become self-supporting, contributing California residents. Additionally, I am interested in ensuring that diverse populations are represented in decision-making processes, and obtain equitable access to services and supports.

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

As a descendent of civil rights activists, I have always been interested in giving back to the community and public good. Over the years, I have developed specialized and extensive knowledge about the developmental disabilities system and feel both obligated and privileged to share that information with individuals and families that don't have the same access to knowledge. Continuing to serve on the East Bay Regional Advisory Committee would allow me to continue my advocacy work on a systemic basis to effectuate positive broad policy changes for persons with developmental disabilities.

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

Strong advocacy skills.

Extensive experience and familiarity with the California developmental disabilities systems.

Desire to effectuate broad policy changes that positively impact a wide swatch of people with developmental disabilities.

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Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Contra Costa
Region: Bay Area
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

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?

My second daughter was born in 1977 at the cusp of the disability civil rights movement. She, and I, have grown up with the movement. I joined by first advocacy group when she was three and finally diagnosed. As I struggled to have her receive services (she was denied by CCS at age 3), I realized that my education, drive, and ability to advocate put me in a position of responsibility to all the other families with disabled members who might not be so endowed.

I became a full-time law student while the parent of three young daughters. Not only was it difficult to attend school with a family, but my husband and I were subjected to additional strains because of our disabled daughter who had developed seizures. My experiences only made me more determined than ever to advocate for systemic reforms.

In addition, as a newly licensed lawyer working in the field of labor and employment, I became familiar with the new ADA at a time when the AIDS epidemic was just beginning to gain momentum in San Francisco.

I recognized, yet again, how civil rights legislation can pave the way for significant societal change.

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

As a lawyer, I am particularly interested in institutional and systemic reforms which have the greatest impact on the disabled population, their families and communities. My daughter is a client of the Regional Center of the East Bay where her burdened case manager handles sixty-plus clients in maze of meetings and crises.

We must speak forcefully and often to bolster are system's failing infrastructure, while we advocate for adequate funding for both the Regional Centers and our incredibly strained community service providers. Without such funding, hard-won civil rights are without meaning.

I wish to secure both a continuum of appropriate services for the broad range of disabled individuals and the opportunity for these individuals to work in a meaningful, integrated, and inclusive way in our society.

We need look to the future as well to be innovative in order to serve the needs of a more diverse and often younger disabled population. We must expect many youngsters who are on the autism spectrum, are ethnically or linguistically diverse. At the same time, we must plan for serving an aging developmentally delayed population.

In relationship to our need to look ahead, I also am interested in seeing a strengthening of transition services for students in our secondary schools. Our Employment First policy requires that we adequately prepare students for meaningful life in the community and for work, in whatever form that takes for the individual. We must collaborate with the school systems , DOR, DDS, and the legislature to create and fund services which implement what is otherwise an empty legislative promise.

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

I believe that the State Council and the RACs are important advocacy organizations which we cannot afford to ignore in our quest for systemic reform of the DD system. The next few years in our newly reconfigured system will be significant ones during which we will breathe life into the framework. It is important that we create a vibrant Council which leads with courage, and an active grassroots system through the RACs.

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

As a passionate advocate and a parent, I believe that I can adequately express the interests of my community with which I have worked for over 35 years. I am articulate, and well-versed in the baroque system which supports the disabled. As a lawyer, I am comfortable with government policy, legislation, and court case law. As an actively involved parent, I can provide a unique perspective of a family member and caregiver who knows the difficulties and deficits of the current system of supports and services.

I have served on the Contra Costa Developmental Disability Council for a number of terms, beginning when my daughter was a child. Currently, I am the liaison from that Council to a coalition which works for legislative and policy changes called the East Bay Legislative Coalition.

In addition to attending meetings of the Co.Co.DD Council, I attend all meetings of the Alameda DD Council to keep abreast of our sister council's work. I am currently serving as a member of The East Bay Criminal Justice Committee, and the East Bay Employment Task Force.

My term of service on the former Area Board 5 Board of Directors has just expired. I have served multiple terms on the Board, and committees, including the mini-grant and membership committees.

I have been deeply involved in interviewing and selecting our current East Bay leadership. I have served both on the committee which selected our Director of the RCEB, Jim Burton, and our current Office Manager of the Bay Area Office of the SCDD, Gabriel Rogin. Last, I have served on the committee which selected our past staff to the Contra Costa DD Council, John Rodriguez.

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County of Residence: san Mateo
Region: Bay Area
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Phone: REDACTED
Race: White

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

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

Yes

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?

My interest in developmental disability when my son was diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.

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

While I have many interests within the field and the service system, I am interested in advocacy and research.

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 able to lessen the stigma surrounding persons with developmental disabilities, and help to make a difference in their lives.

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

As a doctoral candidate with Walden University, I bring knowledge and experience.

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Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Alameda
Region: Bay Area
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Phone: REDACTED
Race: African- American

Eligible for vacant council seat: At Large One

I am a: person with a developmental disability

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

Yes

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

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

Back when I was first excepted at San Jose State University my major was Commercial Recreation. However, the program requires that you work with (volunteer) all the different types of populations who use Recreation. I took a volunteer position working with at-risk teenagers and I loved it! Then I volunteered at the Grace Baptist Community Recreation Center, which is located across the street from SJSU and serves as a drop-in Recreation Center for people with disabilities. I really loved this population and I changed my major to Therapeutic Recreation! I have worked with this population ever since.

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

Therapeutic Recreation.

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 part of the solution that the State has been making serving the estimated 650,000 person with developemental disabilites.

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

I am a well organized, critical thinking, compassionate, problem solver!

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Contra Costa County
Region: Bay Area
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: American Indian/Native Alaskan

Eligible for vacant

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

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?

Been in the Non-profit field for 24 years. Was a Board Member for 8yr. with Independent Living Resource Center. Have done many classes and public speaking on abuse of our disabled population, emotional trauma in children the cause and effects of developmental disabilities.

8 years ago, my son was in an accident and has a Traumatic Brain injury. have worked with mental health , homeless, veterans and victim of crime. I have been involved with the Special Olympics , I have a cousin now 47yr. and is a great participant.

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

I think many areas interest me.

Maybe the social system, resource for families, Legal system for the disabled

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

I have great leadership skills, I have been involved with social service agency for most of my life. I directed a non-profit Resource center that housed 24 agencies and was the Fiscal Agent for over 18 grassroots organization. I have knowledge of the non-profits and how important it is to have collaboration with many programs to have a consumer become successful.

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

Again my strong leadership, like education, public speaking, love research and I am motivated to be part of the change.



State Council on Developmental Disabilities Outreach Application



Applicant: 175

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Alameda
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: Asian, Filipino

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

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No

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

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

When I completed my Master's degree in Social Work in 2008, I met John Rodriguez, who was the Director of Consumer Services at the Regional Center of the East Bay (RCEB) at the time. Talking with him really sparked my interest in working for RCEB, so the following autumn I began working there as a case manager for children aged 3-12. Around that time I had also just recently gained a stepsister with cerebral palsy, and I learned about the varied levels of support people with developmental disabilities utilize and/or need. Once working in the field, I became very interested in developing services for people with autism, and subsequently became the Coordinator for Autism Services at RCEB. Getting to know the families I served and grew to love, getting to understand the system that helps provide in-home and community services, and working alongside people with great passion for helping not only clients but most of the time their own family members have all developed my interest in and knowledge of the developmental disability field.

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

My areas of interest include: ADA/wheelchair accessibility, development/access to services within the community and home, and autism.

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 a Regional Advisory Committee in order to help improve the Regional Center system. I believe it is an invaluable system that has great impact on the community, and that it has much potential to improve. I would like to offer my experience, passion, knowledge, and love for the community, especially now that I am no longer an employee of the Regional Center system. I left RCEB to work for Stanford Health Care in order to learn from a different organization/system with a goal of using what I learn elsewhere to apply to my "home" community (the developmental disabilities community).

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

My strengths include experience as a case manager, experience/understanding of what it is like to serve Regional Center families, my understanding/experience working with Title 17 - including an understanding of the current limitations, my ability to apply what I understand about policy and the Regional Center system into real-life community experiences. I would like to continue my work to improve the Regional Center system and to improve policy that affects the DD community.

North Valley Hills Regional Advisory Committee Candidates



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Region: North Valley Hills
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Race: White

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

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

Yes

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?

I am a sibling of a person with a developmental disability. Having grown up with my sister and seeing what her needs were as an individual, I became interested in learning more about what services were available.

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

Policy and implementation, making the process for services provided more efficient while maintaining a high quality of services for persons served.

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 gain a better understanding on how the system works and hopefully improve it for the people it serves. I have served on the Board of Directors at the

local chapter level of The Arc and currently serve on the Board of Directors of The Arc Ca. I wish to further expand my knowledge of the system.

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

Prior experience at the Board of Directors level for chapter and State level for The Arc of Amador and Calaveras, and The Arc Ca, respectively. An interest in 'big picture' policy issues, a desire to streamline the process of services provided in order to make it more efficient while providing the best quality service available.

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County of Residence: Tuolumne
Region: North Valley Hills
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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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 on the Area Board 6 and would like to continue. I went through the Policy and Partners training.

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

Self Advocacy
Volunteering
Legislation

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 continue to serve. I like going to the meetings.

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

Years of experience especially in self advocacy.

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Region: North Valley Hills
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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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 1987 -I met Bob Phillips and got involved. I am a past Area Board 6 chair, past SCDD representative and a past People First of CA president (2000-2004). I was also a past Self Advocacy Council 6 chair too. My wife and I were very involved in the self advocacy movement.

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

self advocacy

See that everyone gets their rights like all over poeple in the United States.

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 continue to serve as I am now.

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

Current chair- I understand the process

I am a leader

I try to never miss a meeting

I am organized and know how to give reports

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County of Residence: Stanislaus
Region: North Valley Hills
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: White

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

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

Yes

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 with disabilities, he is a client of Valley Mountain Regional Center Modesto.

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

Helping being an advocate. Assisting in all areas of the system. Involved in the transition part of the school system is a personal goal.

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

I am currently a member of North Valley Hills Office of the State Council on Disabilities and have been for 12 years. I want to be involved in the decisions of the board and the system. I was appointed by Gov. Davis a few years ago to Area Board 6.

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

Passion for being an advocate. Having a son that is a client at VMRC i want to get involved. also to continue with the board.

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County of Residence: San Joaquin
Region: North Valley Hills
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

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?

Years ago, after graduating from University, I began working at a day program for adults with severe disabilities. Many of our consumers had grown up in the state hospital setting. The day program was their first experience outside of the highly institutionalized setting. This experience inspired me to pursue a career in special education. I gained a teaching credential and Master's degree in Special Education and began teaching learners with exceptional needs. I have taught learners from birth to 22 who experience a variety of challenges. It is my passion and purpose to serve individuals with special needs.

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

I am an advocate for individuals who experience severe and profound disabilities. I am passionate about the use of technology and assistive technology. I am very concerned about the promotion of self advocacy from a young age and the continuum of services post public education.

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

As a teacher, I am able to impact the students in my class and support my fellow teachers. However, having taught for over twenty years, I feel as though I have more to offer than I am able to give in my immediate educational environment. I would also like to expand my scope of experience beyond the public education setting. A child's educational experience is important but it is just one aspect of a very multidimensional life that each person lives. I would like to facilitate a maximized life experience beyond the school setting.

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

I feel as though serving individuals with disabilities is my life calling. I have been drawn to this service and have grown as an individual and educator over the last 20 years. The most amazing people I have met in my life have been those individuals I have had the opportunity to serve. As a professional, I bring strong, task oriented skills with a varied background of experience. I am eager to learn and contribute on a larger scale than I currently serve.

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Race: Hispanic or Latino

Eligible for vacant

I am a: person with a developmental disability

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

Yes

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?

I am a consumer of VMRC, and on their board until July 2016. I was on the DRC board, and the Self Advocacy Council 6 board. I represented SAC6 on the CHOICES Institute's planning for the annual conference.

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

Basically serving the VMRC area of consumers. Helping the disabled population by being on boards and committees.

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

Because I have had my experiences on other boards to become a great advocate. And my term is up July 2016 on VMRC and I still want to contribute.

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

My knowledge of what I have learned from all my past experiences. I know this area well. I would like to work on transportation issues, self advocacy and helping people become leaders.

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County of Residence: San Joaquin
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Race: White

Eligible for vacant

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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 was employed for 17.5 years as a Rehabilitation Counselor and an Habilitation Specialist for the Ca. Department of Vocational Rehabilitation. In addition, I was employed for 22 years as a counselor and then as the Director of the Disability Support Services and Programs (DSPS) at San Joaquin Delta Community College in California.

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

Transition from school to adult programs, especially as it involves working in the local community.

Community based programs for adults with developmental disabilities that promote and encourage work and volunteer positions for persons with disabilities.

Educational opportunities for students with disabilities

Housing that is accessible and affordable for persons with disabilities.

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

To use my experience and background serving persons with disabilities to assist the Regional Advisory Committee and SCDD as they continue to work in local communities to assist families and agencies serving people with developmental disabilities.

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

Experience working with agencies in the San Joaquin county community
Organizational and management skills/knowledge involving community organizations, state agencies, and local educational districts.

An extensive background and interest in advancing the rights and choices available to adults with developmental and other disabilities.

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Race: Hispanic or Latino

Eligible for vacant

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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 currently on it I want to remain.

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

Autism

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

I am currently on the board and I would like to stay .

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

I have real life experience living with two children on the spectrum of autism and I would like to continue to offer my insight knowledge about their services .

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Phone: REDACTED
Race: White

Eligible for vacant

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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 friend with a child who has a developmental disability and I work for a doctor's office, where we have some patient's with a developmental disability.

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

Want to be able to help wherever I am needed. A way of giving back. Helping those that need a voice in the community.

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

I have been on the board, and my time has expired, but I feel there is more to do.

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

My experience of being on the board of the regional advisory committee.



State Council on Developmental Disabilities Outreach Application



Applicant: 210

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County of Residence: amador
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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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?

Through working on other boards like Sac 6

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

To help others become more independent and serve as their own advocates.

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

To help others help themselves.

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

Good reading skills and independent nature.

Los Angeles Regional Advisory Committee Candidates





State Council on Developmental Disabilities Outreach Application

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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

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?

Ever since I started working in this field I never really realized how grateful we should be for the simplest things in life we are able to do. Once I started being more familiar with more individuals with developmental disabilities I realized that they deserve so much more than what they are normally exposed to. They are amazing individuals that are only limited to some resources because sometimes they are not aware of them or they don't think they are able to learn or do certain things.

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

I would mainly like to get involved in community service, helping with projects, volunteering at events, and help be a resource to families that need the assistance. I also speak Spanish and I've come to learn that a lot of families that don't speak English are much more limited to resources because at times they are timid of just communication and that way they don't shy away from great opportunities. I want to be able to help families as much as I can

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

I really want to be part of this council because I want to be able to transform the lives of individuals and families with developmental disabilities. I would like to provide support, knowledge, and help open the doors to a fuller life that they truly deserve.

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

I am a very motivated, organized, responsible, problem-solver, positive, high energy individual that can establish great relationships with people that I come across with. I have patience, knowledge, and open communication skills based on what I've learned in my 5 years that I've worked in this field as a Program Director. I have also organized and been a part of many community events that service those with developmental disabilities. Some of the events I've been a part of are Autism walk, Buddy walk for down syndrome, Los Angeles Special Olympics, Annual Toy drives, food drives and many more.



State Council on Developmental Disabilities Outreach Application

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Region: 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

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?

I have a 2 year old granddaughter that was born with Down syndrome. I have another family member with Down syndrome and she is 35 years old and I have a 17 year old family member that has Autism. A member of Area Board 10 went I spoke at Club 21 on a day I had volunteered and I sat through his presentation. I learned a lot but then I realized that there was another way I could be part of the solution.

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

I want to be part of the solution and educating others on what families really go through. Not the perception.

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

Like I mentioned I want to be part of the committed to address real issues when it comes to challenges. I want to educate people on what they can accomplish.

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

I bring my military background, my people skills and my ability to want to learn and speak out in support of all people with Developmental Disabilities. As I mentioned I have a second family member with Down syndrome who is well into her thirties and her parents never reached out to anyone. They tell me it was out of fear and embarrassment. I want to talk to people and groups and help bring them out so they can be helped, talked too, share information.

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County of Residence: Los Angeles
Region: Los Angeles
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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

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?

I am the father of REDACTED, who was born in 1986 with significant developmental and physical disabilities. Eveline died in 1999. Her mother and I were active in the disabilities community while she was alive, and since her death, we continue our work to make the world a better place for persons with developmental disabilities and their families.

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

I am a strong advocate for systemic change — helping the agencies we create to more effectively fulfill their responsibilities. Whether that's my State Council, my local school district, my local legislators, or my local Boy Scout council, we need to do a better job in so many areas of disability support and advocacy. Personally, I am especially interested the protection of persons with disabilities in their contacts with the justice system, and improvements in the State Council's governance.

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

The state of California has a responsibility to provide support and services to persons with disabilities, their families and supporters. As complicated as the system is, I know that there are opportunities to significantly impact the quality of people's lives by the work done by the SCDD and the RACs. I have years of experience in helping various organizations provide service with persons with disabilities, and at this stage in my life, I look forward to continuing to help in this area.

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

DD EXPERIENCE. In 1993, I was appointed by Governor Pete Wilson to the Developmental Disabilities Board for Area 10 (serving LA County). In 1998, I was appointed by Governor Wilson to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities for my last year on the Area Board. In 2003, was reappointed to AB 10 by County Supervisor Gloria Molina, and I continue to serve on the Los Angeles Regional Advisory Committee.

Since 1996, I have been a member of several advisory committees for the Chanda Smith Consent Decree, which settled a federal class-action lawsuit concerning Los Angeles Unified School District's failure to provide special education services to its students. Until 2003, I was a member of the Executive Committee of the Community Planning Committee. Since 2003, I have been a member of the Modified Consent Decree's Parents' Council. Since 2001, I have been a parent member of the LAUSD Steering Committee for the Integrated Student Information.

In 2009, I started the Verdugo Hills Council's Committee on Scouts with Disabilities and Special Needs, and I continue to serve as a member of that committee. I have provided training and counseling for troop leaders, families, Scouts, and other neighboring councils.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE. I served as the chair of Area Board 10 for three years and the Organization of Area Boards for one year. For ten years, I served as the president of my professional organization. Recently, I was elected the president of my neighborhood organization. I serve on the board of directors for the Verdugo Hills Council, Boy Scouts of America. I have been the council's Training Committee chair for 15 years, and I am the council's Youth Protection "Champion."

Several times, I have taught the section on boardsmanship for the "Partners In Policymaking" training course for parents and advocates in the DD community, and I have provided boardsmanship training for several nonprofit organizations. I teach various leadership courses for the Boy Scouts of America.

In 2012, I retired after working 27 years for the Southern California Edison Company, most recently as the manager of energy efficiency program evaluation. For seven years, I was a facilitator of the corporate diversity training to SCE employees. After retiring from SCE, I now serve on the California Technical Forum, a statewide advisory group for utility energy efficiency programs.

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County of Residence: Los Angeles
Region: Los Angeles
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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

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?

I am a parent of an 11 year old child with both Down syndrome and Autism so I have been involved for the entire 11 years of my son's life.

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

Self Determination is at the forefront for me right now. It is my belief that it will change so many consumers lives in the disability community, for the better. Also, improving the system for transitioning into adulthood.

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 member of the Los Angeles RAC/ Area Board 10, since 2009 and am looking to stay involved as I have "termed out" It has been an honor to be a part of the organization with such an amazing group of individuals!

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

I have a very strong commitment to disability community and advocating for what is needed to better the lives of all involved. I am well connected to many different organizations with in the community and social media.

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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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 developmental disability field developed with the birth of my son, a person with Down syndrome, in 1986. My involvement in the community began with the school system as I advocated bringing special education classes to local campuses. I was instrumental in promoting inclusion and mainstreaming within the elementary, intermediate, and high school in my son's school district.

In 2001, I played an integral role in opening the first on-campus special education class at our local high school, after which, I participated in launching the first transition program within our district. These experiences spurred my passion for advocacy and led to my further involvement in the developmental disability community.

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

My areas of interest are vast, and include the following:

- Student inclusion and mainstreaming
- Transition programming for seamless integration in to the community after finishing school
- Employment opportunities
- Transportation and mobility independence
- Regional Centers and the communities they serve
- Law enforcement education and training so they can better protect the developmental disability community

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

My service on the Los Angeles Regional Advisory Committee will be to facilitate communication in order to help SCDD be aware of the unique issues that affect the 30% of Californians who reside in Los Angeles County.

The seven Los Angeles County regional centers are continuously confronted with challenges, and I feel strongly that recurring collaboration between these regional centers and the LA RAC is essential for providing quality services. If chosen to serve on the LA RAC, I will work to be a positive relationship builder.

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

Through my years of involvement within the developmental disability community, I have developed strengths that will benefit the LA RAC. I am well versed on policy and issues, and have gained a broad perspective, having served both locally in California and nationally on the NACDD.

The following list is a sample of some of my past involvement:

- Chair of SCDD for three years
- Vice Chair of SDCC for two years
- Member of the Tarjan Center (UCLA) for three years
- Board Secretary of NACDD for two years
- Chair of Area Board 10 for one year

- Community Advisory Chair of the Southwest Special Education Local Plan Area (SW SELPA) for two years
- Board member of the Inclusion Institute of Los Angeles for five years
- Board member of Friends of Torrance Exceptional Athletes for two years

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County of Residence: Los Angeles
Region: Los Angeles
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: African- American

I am a: person with a developmental disability, 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

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?

I was in Special Education when I was in school. I worked for a service provider that gave me experience working with people with disabilities.

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

Helping people with disabilities with their rights. Safety and good service coordination for people with disabilities.

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

I have experience as a person with a disability, work experience working with people with disabilities, I believe I will do a good job working on the State Council of Developmental Disabilities.

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

Experience and served on the board for over 2 years. I have over 14 years experience working with people with disabilities. I am motivated and determined to do a good job.

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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

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?

I contracted polio when I was 11 months old. This happened in Mexico in 1947. I immigrated with my parents when I was five years old. I attend it orthopedic clinics and had six major post polio surgeries. I attended a Sspecial Eeducation Hhigh School Sschool were I met my first wife who had a twin that had Down's syndrome. I was appointed to the State Council on developmental disabilities by Governor Jerry Brown during his first term in office. I served as chairman of the Council for have 4 1/2 years.

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

Before my first appointment to the State Council I had a son with down syndrome who is now 41 years old. I was chairman during the time that California passed many of the state laws that now serve the rights of people with developmental disabilities. I was chairman at the time when we expand it community services and reduced dramatically the number of people and state hospitals.

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

Wwith my personal background in dealing with disabilities both personally and with my son I think that I have a special inside to look at the current system.

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

I have also had a career that included 40 years of healthcare management in private and public hospitals. During his years I have been very involved as a volunteer included in statewide projects and programs at the federal level. I have had much success with my own physical development and have contributed to my son's development and in his future. I can bring to the State Council personal experience in my development and in the development of policies and programs for The developmentally disabled.

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Phone: REDACTED
Race: Armenian

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

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?

I am the parent of two children, including a 13 year old with a significant developmental disability.

When my son was young and newly diagnosed, my efforts pertained to getting the education and supports needed to help with his development.

Much of my time was spent learning, and advocating for my son, while educating others regarding his disability.

Soon I found myself expanding my scope, hoping make a difference not only for my child, but for the many others with developmental disabilities who may not have, or assert, a voice.

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

All areas. Children with developmental disabilities become adults with developmental disabilities. I believe affected children and adults should be given

the supports and services needed to establish the same rights, freedoms, and independence, as others. These needs should be recognized and addressed by our society and government considering all stages of life, from childhood issues (such as medical care, therapy, education, etc.) , through adult issues (such as medical care, housing, employment, transportation, etc.), for ALL impacted individuals regardless of race, religion, or other demographic differences.

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 help give a voice to those who may not have, or assert, one. It is morally and socially incumbent upon us to consider the developmentally disabled, and what they may need to live satisfying and productive lives, and work to support those needs. Unfortunately all too often, this does not take place. I'd like to serve on the SCDD, or continue serving on the RAC, to further my efforts and work in raising awareness of, and reaching solutions for, the developmental disabilities community, with their unique and complex challenges and needs. We need to "raise the bar" ---- the developmental disabilities community should not be an after-thought, but instead be proactively considered, and appropriately supported and accommodated, in all areas, as our society and government move forward into the future.

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

My strength is the ability to work with others, in considering multi-faceted, complex situations and issues, and achieving a desired outcome.

My education, business experience, and proven commitment to advocacy, all support my dedication and work in this area.

In summary:

I grew up in southern California, and graduated from UCLA. I know the greater Los Angeles and Southern California area and communities well.

I have extensive experience working for a large insurance company, and have been a manager there for many years. As a manager , I have worked with company officers, department heads, and entry level employees, alike. I supervise many employees and handle and resolve everything from individual personnel issues, to team challenges, to working with and across multiple-departments to reach and exceed desired results.

As it pertains to advocacy, my actions support my passion in this area. I have attended and participated in numerous lectures, conferences and events. I am a graduate of the 2009 Partners in Policy making program for Los Angeles County (an eight month leadership training program, sponsored by the California Collaborative, and based upon a grant from the SCDD). I've been involved in limited press, including being featured, or quoted, in various articles. I've also done limited public speaking, such as being the featured speaker at a Regional Center orientation meeting for sibling support groups. Most notably, I was honored to be the closing speaker, sharing my family's personal experiences with my son's disability and successes, for a large auditorium, media-covered, event. My speech closed out the event following speeches by six politicians, including the Los Angeles mayor and a county supervisor.

In February 2012 I was appointed by Governor Brown to serve on Area Board 10 (this three-year appointment term ended 1/1/2015). At this time I continue to serve in this capacity, currently as Chairperson, for what is now known as the Regional Advisory Committee for the SCDD Los Angeles regional office. Over the last three years, I have been a dedicated and active member of AB10/LA-RAC. I also served in multiple other capacities including working on executive, grants, and nominations committees. Throughout 2014, I worked on a committee, where we successfully recruited, interviewed, and appointed self and family advocates to serve on Self-Determination Advisory Committees for all seven Regional Centers in our catchment area. In addition, I am an active member of the SCDD Legislative and Public Policy committee.

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Los Angeles
Region: Los Angeles
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: African- American, American Indian/Native Alaskan, White

Eligible for vacant

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

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?

I am a parent of a child with special needs. My son has Autism.

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

Early Intervention, Education, Social Activities, and Transitions.

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

To help collaborate with the State and the community to understand some of the situations that families experience. I enjoy learning more and helping others.

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

I have been serving on the East San Gabriel Valley SELPA CAC Committee for the past 5 years by doing outreaches to families, providing trainings to families, professionals and the community about Autism, Special needs, Socialization, IEPs, Down Syndrome, and other topics. I also currently serve as the Chair to the CAC.

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Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Los Angeles
Region: Los Angeles
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: African- American

Eligible for vacant

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

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?

My first job was as a psychiatric technician at Pacific State Hospital (which became Lanterman State Developmental Center) That was over 45 years ago. After I graduated from Cal Poly Pomona in the seventies, I stayed in this field. Twenty-five years ago I became a consultant and provider of residential care facilities for the developmental disabled. I am now semi-retired.

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

Residential care, education and outreach to parents and caregivers, Self-Determination, Job training for the disabled

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

There were so many positive and exciting changes in this field in the during my generation, I would like to be contribute to the next generation. I feel my years of experience in the real world can provide valuable insight to the council.

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

Extensive experience with various residential living options.

Experience with autistic individuals and their families

Knowledge and understanding of ARD (age related diseases) especially dementia and Alzheimer and the caregiving options these individual will require.

Knowledge and contacts in the minority community.

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County of Residence: los angeles
Region: Los Angeles
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: Asian

Eligible for vacant

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

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?

I have a developmental disability from birth , I have been in the Special education system my self, through hard work I got my BA fro Cal State LA . I have just switch over to disabled adult child benefits after being on SSI for nearly 20 years . I did it my self .

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

My interest is in the area of education , employment and benefits education .

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

I do want to help people get the services they need. I tried to educate two of my doctors on social security benefits because they had family member receive the benefits . I also tried to entourage special ed student to go to college .

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

I can educate state council on programs that effect disabled people since I use them myself.

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Race: Asian

Eligible for vacant

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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 who is 25 years old and with autism spectrum, and I am always his strongest advocate.

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

I am interested in to design the best and the most useful way and training to the family members, and the most important to the people with developmental disabilities. So that he or she can have a meaningful and creative life.

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

I understand that I have to get involved, to know more about how the system was built up and even help to build up a better future for the people with developmental disabilities.

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

I am an immigrant. I am really appreciated to the system for the people with developmental disabilities here. I will never take any of the benefit for granted. Also I hope I can help the system to use every penny of the tax payer's money at the most needed place.

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Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Los Angeles
Region: Los Angeles
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: White

Eligible for vacant

I am a: person with a developmental disability

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

Yes

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?

people first, sabe and sablac

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

ihss lawsuit and self-dertermination

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 commitee beccause i am a perfectionist and i love what i do i will do what ever it takes.

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

highschool diploma for special ed students in highschoool,employment first,amricorps,mimninum wage for participants in supportive employment.

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Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: Los Angeles
Region: Los Angeles
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: Hispanic or Latino

Eligible for vacant

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

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?

I have been fortunate enough to be an educator for 14 years now. By virtue of my professional and personal experiences I have learned about Developmental Disabilities. As a teacher and administrator, I learned firsthand how to meet the academic and social needs of all students, especially students with disabilities. Through these specific pedagogical and instructional strategies that I've learned in my teacher preparation program and in the classroom, I've developed a firm understanding of the development disability field and the systems already in place relative to this field. These competencies have been further developed by my experience as a father of a child with a developmental disability. My son Sebastian was diagnosed as having a developmental disability when he was two years old. This has allowed me and my family to learn about a vast array of information regarding "Autism Spectrum Disorder". and the interagency systems that offer my child the added supports he needs.

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

I am highly interested in all the developmental disability fields. I want to develop policies and practices that are rooted in evidence based research. I believe that the state of California has made a lot of progress in the services provided to student and adults with developmental disabilities but I think we can improve on those service systems. This will only be accomplished if our efforts are coherent and coordinated on all fronts.

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

I want to serve on the "State Council on Developmental Disabilities" and on the "Regional Advisory Committee" because I believe that my unique experience as a parent, advocate, an educator can shape the ways consumers receive the necessary services. My goal is to see that all students with developmental disabilities, including my son, have access to a post-secondary education, stable employment, and live a rich independent life.

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

I believe any decision making body needs a diverse set of individuals and mind-sets who understand what communities and families experience on a daily basis. Growing up in working class family I know that my parents didn't always understand the educational system because they felt it was too cumbersome. For those reasons, I was in an ESL group for my whole elementary experience. I was relegated to the back of the classroom, not included with my more fluent peers. I unfortunately was not provided equal access to the curriculum and the program. As I grew up I always made it a point to help my parents in many endeavors because I felt that they would be marginalized if I didn't assist them. It was this mindset that propelled me to want to be an educator. As an educator I have always advocated for the most disadvantaged families and children because I knew if they weren't provided equity and access that their children would fall through the cracks. The most fulfilling part of my job as an educator has always been when former students and families come back to visit me at the school site and say thank you for making them better people. When my son was diagnosed with Autism it was difficult at first but after a while It was natural for me to advocate for my son and all families that don't have the skills and knowledge to access the proper services that ensure that their child is

successful. I wholeheartedly believe that I have been tasked to help all families and children that don't have a voice. As a member of the State Council and Regional Advisory Committee, I would bring this way of thinking. A way of thinking that had made a huge impact in the lives of many students and families. Thank you for the consideration.



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Applicant: 181

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?"

Yes

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?

birth of my son.....angelmans syndrome

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

outreach regional centers 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 address and advance the needs and services available to the dd community

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

compassion for the dd community...very people oriented...outspoken and proactive...enjoy being part of a team effort



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Applicant: 182

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: California
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: Asian

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

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?

Being the father/conservator of two (2) sons with Autism Spectrum Disorder who are severely developmentally disabled has required me to be an effective advocate. My oldest child was a resident at Fairview Developmental Center for five (5) years. In 2014, I moved him out of the DC and into a group home in Whittier. I am willing to serve on the State Council as an At-Large Representative of a person with a developmental disability who is a former resident of an institution.

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

I have a particular interest in advancing system change that will safeguard individuals with intellectual disabilities from abuse and in expanding training requirements for peace officers on the best practices for interacting with individuals with intellectual disabilities.

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

I began serving on Area Board 10 in January 2011 and chaired the Board in 2012 and 2013.

Serving on either the LA Regional Advisory Committee or on SCDD will allow me to continue to make a positive difference in the community.

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

I have three (3) decades of progressively responsible experience in municipal government and am skilled in handling complex and sensitive issues in a political environment with multiple stakeholders and agendas.



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Applicant: 190

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: CA
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: African- American

I am a: representative of the general public

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

No

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 Licensed Educational Psychologist in the state of California and worked as a school psychologist in the Los Angeles Unified School District for 31 years, 7 of which as the Director of Psychological Services.

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

Public policy and legislation for increasing access and services
Increasing work opportunities for developmentally disabled people

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 use my education and experience base to increase the dissemination of accurate information about developmentally disabled people and how they contribute to enhanced life and culture for the entire population.

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

My years of serving disabled as well as typical populations as a school psychologist is a strength. Getting to know families who have disabled family members has been invaluable in increasing my understanding of how we all learn from each other.



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Applicant: 199

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

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?

Mother of 30 year old I/DD (Autism, Intellectual Disabled, Expressive Language Disorder diagnosed at three years of age)

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

Making systemic changes in the delivery of support services for young adult wanting to live independently in the community -- namely, but not limited to:

1. Systemic Changes to Regional Center contracting and oversight of ILS and SLS Vendors
2. Direct Care Providers Training
3. Employment
4. Housing
5. Internet/Digital Access to Consumer and Advocate Trainings

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

Our son was diagnosed at a time in history when parents were becoming more actively involved in their children's lives to ensure their participation in every opportunity available in order to discover and develop skills that would lead them to success and happiness.

Not an easy task for two working parents of typically developing children, let alone those with I/DD, but this was my husband's and my ambition -- for all three of our children.

Today, our I/DD son "REDACTED" (described above) is a Section 8 Voucher Holder who

lives independently in a very small (725 sqft) two-bedroom house we own, with his dog and a Live-In. REDACTED uses his God-given, parents-nurtured talents to work at VONS (8 yrs), volunteer at a hospital (4yrs), volunteer at a doggie day care (3 yrs), apprentice with a gardner (4 yrs) and participate in Special Olympics (25 yrs). Now, it is my ambition to share all I learned blazing trails in an effort to provide my I/DD son the same opportunities his siblings had to find personal success and happiness.

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

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Transition Program Developer (San Marino USD Task Force Leader)
 Regional Center (Parent and Vendor)
 Department of Rehab (Liaison for San Marino USD)
 Housing Department (Section 8 Voucher Holder (son) and Landlord)
 Employment (Job Developer and Job Coach)
 Social Security (Benefits) Medical
 & Medicare (Benefits)
 Supplemental Insurance (Benefits)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Recreation Commissioner
 Parent Education Speaker, throughout So Cal
 School District and City Recognition Awards

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Sales & Marketing Executive, 25 yrs

Award-Winning Writer/Producer, Children's program for 3-7 year olds with I/DD



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Applicant: 200

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

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?

I have 3 boys on the Autism Spectrum, all clients of North Los Angeles County Regional Center. My interest and knowledge were sparked when it became apparent that my oldest son was developing differently than his peers were. That was in 1996, and my interest and knowledge became a necessity if I was to be able to advocate on behalf of what my my son needed. I have had a lot of opportunities to see the good things and the shortcomings of the Regional Center System. I was one of the last LA Supervisor Appointees before the change in law that took effect in 2015, as a board member for Area Board X.

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

Self Determination; Law Enforcement encounters with the DD Community; The unmet mental health needs for many DD individuals.

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

I am already a member of the Los Angeles RAC and have been since September 2014. I was informed by our New RAC head that my term had expired on 1/1/2016, I would like to remain involved, especially while the whole system is changing.

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

reliability, passion, and concern for the rights of the disabled.



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Applicant: 201

Name: REDACTED
Address: REDACTED
County of Residence: USA
Email: REDACTED
Phone: REDACTED
Race: White

I am a: person with a developmental disability

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

Yes

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?

I am currently on the Los Angeles State Council for the Developmentally Disabled. I am a Self Advocate Committee Member. I am also involved in current legislation(s) for different issues regarding the Developmentally Disabled as well as others.

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

My interest are employment opportunities and also I am interested in increasing other opportunities for people to become more successful in their life an example of that would be college, trade-school(s). I also want to increase people to be mainstreamed in the schools. I feel that people can have these opportunities if there were more reasonable accommodations made with schools and businesses. There also needs to be more education to educate them.

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 assist with bettering the lives of persons who are developmentally disabled. There is a lot of technology in communication as the Internet to give people with developmental disabilities changes in choices in our world today. I would like to educate and encourage today's generation that they can make their dreams happen.

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

I would continue making systems change. I would also continue creating and producing new independent goals for the Developmentally Disabled Community to survive and live a productive life. I want to create possibilities for people to be able to work and not be penalized for doing so. When it comes to their services they need to survive.



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Applicant: 203

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

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or 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 2 school age children on the spectrum and 5 nieces/nephews with or ASD, SLD, DD as well.

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

I am interested in all areas. Particularly advocacy, rights and inclusion. Access and delivery of services to 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 have the lived and work experience that I feel would be helpful in service to this committee. I also have a passion and commitment to helping the disability community.

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

I have knowledge of systems of care (regional center, and special education).

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I have worked for nonprofits in Ca that serve and advocate for families and individuals with special needs and can assist with creating alliances.