



**LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE (LPPC)
MEETING NOTICE/AGENDA**

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DATE: February 23, 2015

TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** J. Lewis
2. **ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM** J. Lewis
3. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS** J. Lewis
4. **MEMBER REPORTS** Members
This item is for committee members to provide a report on their legislative and/or public policy activities related to the agency or group they represent. Each person will be afforded up to three minutes to speak.

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Item 5
APPROVAL OF JAN 2015
MEETING MINUTES



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**Legislative and Public Policy Committee (LPPC) Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2015**

Members Present

Janelle Lewis
Feda Almaliti (FA)
David Forderer (SA)
Jennifer Allen (SA)
Connie Lapin (FA)
Tho Vinh Banh

Members Absent

April Lopez (FA)
Lisa Davidson

Others Attending

Bob Giovati
Nelly Nieblas
Anastasia Bacigalupo
Vicki Smith
Karim Alipourfard
Michael Brett
Joyce McNair
Elizabeth Drake
October King

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Janelle Lewis called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

2. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Quorum has been established for this meeting.

3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson Lewis started introductions that continued around the room with members, staff, and guests introducing themselves.

4. MEMBER REPORTS

Chairperson Lewis asked members of the committee if they had any member reports:

- Connie Lapin (FA) and her husband along with other individuals were invited by Ray Ceragioli, former State Council member and LPPC Chair, to attend the Fairview Family and Friends Meeting to speak on self-determination.

Legend

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- Ms. Lapin (FA) also mentioned that the next DS task force meeting is set for January 28, 2015.
- Tho Vinh Banh is working on a voting project for individuals that conserve and the courts are taking away their rights to vote. This is a court procedure and not part of the IPP process. Anastasia Bacigalupo, Staff/SCDD Central Coast Regional Manager will be helping Tho Vinh by collaborating and connecting with other regional offices on this important project/training.
- Jennifer Allen (SA) had no report to give.
- David Forderer (SA) had no report to give.
- Chairperson Lewis gave several reports:
 - o Took part on the Lanterman Coalition call, Friday January 9, 2015.
 - o Took part on the Health and Human Services Public Stakeholders Conference Call for the Governor's Proposed State Budget, Friday January 9, 2015
 - o Chairperson Lewis shared the following: Per the LPPC Committees' recommendation, the committee asked the State Council to endorse the 10% rate increase system wide for the community based DD system. This recommendation has been placed on the State Council's agenda for their meeting taking place on January 22, 2015.
 - o Announced that Feda Almaliti (FA) serves on the Advisory Commission on Special Education.
 - o Attended the Statewide Special Education Task Force which is funded by Charles Swab. This task force is putting together a report to help shape legislation. Their final meeting will be taking place on January 20, 2015. This will also be the last meeting for public input.
 - o Chairperson Lewis passed around an infographic during the LPPC meeting showing the whole budget process and timeline, courtesy of the California Budget Project Workshop.
 - o Chairperson Lewis asked about the status of the 2015 Pocket Directory of the California Legislature. Staff will investigate and advise.

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- Chairperson Lewis said that the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) had a meeting on December 19, 2014 called the Behavior Health Treatment Stakeholder meeting.
 - The 2015 schedule for these meetings is as follows:
 - January 22 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
 - February 19 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
 - March 19 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
 - April 23 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 - May 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 - June 18 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
 - These meetings are all located in the DHCS Auditorium on 1500 Capitol Ave, Sacramento. Please let them know that you will be attending so they can add you to their guest list
 - If you do not want to attend in person, you can access the meeting online.
- If anyone in the Sacramento area, who has a family with autism, the Shriners Children Hospital is offering free family resource meetings:
 - In December, FEAT is holding a Assisted Technology meeting
 - In January, ABC Complaints
 - In February, Feeding Disorders

5. APPROVAL OF December 8, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

It was moved /seconded (Lapin (FA)/Forderer(SA)) and carried to approve the December 8, 2014 LPPC meeting minutes with the exception that Tho Vinh Banh was not in attendance and that Item 8's, Legislative Priority Setting Exercise, is being revisited in today's meeting (1/15/15).

(All in favor with one abstention (Tho Vinh Banh). See attendance list for voting members.)

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Lewis asked if there were any public comments. There were two members from the public: Joyce McNair and Elizabeth K. Drake and one Staff/San Bernardino Regional Manager, Vickie Smith:

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- Ms. McNair is a family member and is interested in discussing/hearing about Self-Determination.
- Ms. Drake is an Employer Advocate for Strategies to Empower People (STEP). She would like to hear updates on the overtime and minimum wage rates and the Governor's budget proposal updates.
- Ms. Smith went to a presentation, in her two county area, called Take Me Home. This program is to help individuals that have Alzheimer's and special needs. Thru this program, the individual would self-register on their Birthday with the local police department. This is so the local department can recognize this person and know how to help this person when being approached. Ms. Smith felt that the LPPC would be a great committee to get involved with this by presenting it to the State Council. It could also go through the Governor's Office to get placed with the Office of Emergency Services (OES) as a state wide program.

7. OLD BUSINESS

a. Legislative Priority Setting Exercise

ACTION ITEM

This strategic planning exercise is a continuation from the last meeting that took place on December 8, 2014. This planning session is to come up with three priority focus areas for the next legislative cycle which is based on our Legislative Platform. For an overview of this strategic planning exercise, please see pages 7 thru 10 located in the January 15, 2015 LPPC Packet.

During the December 8th meeting, the committee finished the goal/objective for Self-determination. Therefore, today's meeting (1/15/15) is to come up with an agreement for the two remaining goals/objectives-which are for housing and quality of services and supports

Ms. Smith went through the "bubble sheet" illustration for the two remaining goals which are located on pages 11 and 12 of the LPPC Packet. It was also mentioned these bubbles can help staff determine how to gauge their progress on these important goals and objectives for the LPPC.

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Ms. Smith continued the training session by reading from the Legislative Platform for the two remaining goals/objectives to come up with an agreement from the LPPC. A discussion amongst the committee also took place to fill in the remaining bubble sheets for housing and quality of services and supports.

The three objectives the group came up for housing:

- Secure government funding for starter homes
- Seek tax breaks for home owners/landlords for accessible housing
- To develop a resource guide on accessibility and modifications program throughout California so individuals know they exist

Ms. Smith continued the exercise by discussing the final goal/objective for quality of services supports. She asked the group what they thought this term means to the group.

It was agreed staff would work out/fill in the bubbles and then the draft will be sent to the committee for changes/revisions. It was also agreed it will not be presented to the State Council until it is finalized.

b. Update on Overtime Rules and Minimum Wage Laws

Chairperson Lewis mentioned that a couple of weeks ago Deborah Doctor from DRC gave a presentation on the Overtime Rules and Minimum Wage Laws. Chairperson Lewis has the following update: This over time rule was discussed at the last State Council Meeting and the Council came up with the following recommendation/motion: It was moved and seconded and carried to work in collaboration with the DRC to provide comments to address Health and Human Services to Secretary Dooley and Governor Brown about the challenges presented by the implementation of the overtime rule and the request to development of the exceptions to the overtime rule which promote flexibility and consumer choice.

c. Update on new CMS Rules/State Council

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services (CMS) announces new rules for what services will qualify for future or federal funding. As part of this process, the state of California thru the Department of Health

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Care Services must provide CMS with a transition plan showing how California will follow the new rules.

CHCS has posted their draft Transition Plan and want the public to review the plan. Last State Council meeting dealt with this by conducting a motion: It was moved and seconded and carried to sign the Joint Letter to the department of Health by the State Council.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Welcome to New Staff: Bob Giovati and Nelly Nieblas

Chairperson Lewis introduced Bob Giovati, who is the new Deputy Director for Policy and Planning and Nelly Nieblas, who is the Legislative and Information Manager.

b. Self- Determination Update

Lapin (FA) gave the update on Self-Determination and said that the waiver was submitted on December 31, 2014. She briefed that it can either be approved, ask for additional information, or be disapproved. If more information is requested, then it will take an additional 90 days for approval.

The next Self-Determination Task Force is set for January 27, 2015 at the Department of Developmental Services. However, It has not been determined if it is going to be open to the general public.

As a result of Self Determination being passed, Local Advisory Committees have been created for the various Regional Centers. However, the general consensus for the Regional Centers, are that the Federal government has not set the standards for these meetings. Once these standards are set, there will be more active involvement.

Ms. Bacigalupo also mentioned that the law for these committees is not clear regarding how they are formed or how long people sit on them. The only place the law is clear is the appointments; half are from the Regional Centers and the other are from the Regional Offices of the State Council.

ACTION ITEM: It was moved/seconded (Lapin (FA)/Tho Vinh) that Regional Offices provide an update on the local Self-Determination Advisory Committees.

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(All in favor with no oppositions or abstentions. See attendance list for voting members).

c. Federal Legislation Updates: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act.

Mr. Giovati gave two reports. The first was on Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and the second was on Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act.

d. Governor's Proposed Budget for IDD

Mr. Giovati outlined Governor Brown's proposed budget for 2015, adding that the final budget will be different than the Governor's initial proposed budget. Mr. Giovati commented on budget highlights related to I/DD.

9. PROPOSED DATES FOR 2015 LPPC MEETINGS

ACTION ITEM: It was moved/seconded (Lapin (FA)/Allen (SA)) to amend agenda Item 9 by adding another Item. Committee wants to discuss proposed agenda items for future meetings

(All in favor with no oppositions or abstentions. See attendance list for voting members).

It was determined that the LPPC will hold six committee meetings for 2015. The committee came up with four meetings. The other two will be determined at a later time.

All meetings will be held at the State Council from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Unless, the time and location, needs to change for unseen reasons.

February 23, 2015

April 23, 2015

June 23, 2015

August 25, 2015

Proposed Agenda Items for future meetings:

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ACTION ITEM

- IHHS, CMS, and 1093 Disparity Updates (standing item)
- Federal and State Legislation Updates (standing item)
- Budget (standing item)
- Three Priority Areas
 - o Staff Report on Priority Areas
 - o IHHS, CMS, and 1093 Disparity Updates , Overtime Rules
- Meet and Greet with the Legislature
- New Legislator Orientation on the role of the State Council

ACTION ITEM: It was moved/seconded (Lapin (FA)/Tho Vinh Banh that State Council Regional Offices need to provide information on implementation of SB 1093 to Ms. Tho Vinh Banh. Please provide a chart by the next LPPC Meeting.

(All in favor with no oppositions or abstentions. See attendance list for voting members).

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 3:00 p.m.

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Item 7a
FEDERAL AND STATE
LEGISLATION UPDATES

2015/16 LPPC Legislative Report Short Analysis

- AB 11** **(Gonzalez D) Employment: paid sick days: in-home supportive services.**
Introduced: 12/1/2014
Status: 1/16/2015-Referred to Com. on L. & E.
Location: 1/16/2015-A. L. & E.
Summary: Would revise the definition of an employee under the Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Families Act of 2014 to, as of July 1, 2016, include providers of in-home support services, as described.
- Position**
Watch
- AB 68** **(Waldron R) Medi-Cal.**
Introduced: 12/18/2014
Status: 1/5/2015-Read first time.
Location: 12/18/2014-A. PRINT
Summary: The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. Current law provides that it is the intent of the Legislature to provide, to the extent practicable, for health care for those aged and other persons who lack sufficient annual income to meet the costs of health care, and whose other assets are so limited that their application toward the costs of care would jeopardize the person's or family's future minimum self-maintenance and security. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.
- Position**
Watch
- AB 74** **(Calderon D) Care facilities: regulatory visits.**
Introduced: 1/5/2015
Status: 2/9/2015-Referred to Coms. on HUM. S. and AGING & L.T.C.
Location: 2/9/2015-A. HUM. S.
Summary: Current law requires the State Department of Social Services to conduct an annual unannounced visit for care facilities under specified circumstances, including when a license is on probation, and to conduct annual unannounced visits to no less than 20% of the facilities, other than foster family homes, that are not subject to an inspection under those specified circumstances. This bill would make every facility of the types described above, except for, subject to an annual unannounced visit by the department on and after July 1, 2018. The bill would revise the provisions requiring the department to conduct annual unannounced visits to no less than 20% of the facilities by instead requiring the department to conduct annual unannounced visits to no less than 30% of facilities on or before July 1, 2016, and no less than 20% of those facilities on or before July 1, 2017.
- Position**
Watch
- AB 97** **(Weber D) In-home supportive services: provider wages.**
Introduced: 1/8/2015
Status: 1/9/2015-From printer. May be heard in committee February 8.
Location: 1/8/2015-A. PRINT
Summary: Would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to create a mechanism to pay In-Home Supportive Services program providers for additional hours worked through the Coordinated Care Initiative. This bill contains other existing laws.
- Position**
Watch
- AB 211** **(Gomez D) In-home supportive services.**
Introduced: 2/2/2015
Status: 2/9/2015-Referred to Com. on HUM. S.
Location: 2/9/2015-A. HUM. S.
Summary: Current law requires the California In-Home Supportive Services Authority (Statewide Authority), no sooner than March 1, 2013, to assume specified responsibilities in a county upon notification by the Director of Health Care Services that the enrollment of eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries described in specified provisions of law has been completed in that county. Under current law, the date

of assumption of these responsibilities by the Statewide Authority is known as the county implementation date. This bill would, instead, make the implementation date January 1, 2016, would delete the reference to the "county" implementation date, and would make conforming changes.

Position

Watch

SB 11 (Beall D) Peace officer training: mental health.

Introduced: 12/1/2014

Status: 1/15/2015-Referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 1/15/2015-S. RLS.

Summary: Would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to increase the minimum mental health training standard for California peace officers.

Position

Watch

SB 23 (Mitchell D) CalWORKs: eligibility.

Introduced: 12/1/2014

Status: 2/3/2015-Set for hearing March 24.

Location: 1/15/2015-S. HUM. S.

Summary: Under current law, for purposes of determining a family's maximum aid payment under the CalWORKs program, the number of needy persons in the same family is not increased for any child born into a family that has received aid under the CalWORKs program continuously for the 10 months prior to the birth of the child, with specified exceptions. This bill would repeal that exclusion for purposes of determining the family's maximum aid payment and would expressly prohibit the denial of aid, or the denial of an increase in the maximum aid payment, if a child, on whose behalf aid or an increase in aid is being requested, was born into an applicant's or recipient's family while the applicant's or recipient's family was receiving aid under the CalWORKs program.

Position

Watch

SB 67 (Galgiani D) Disability access: statutory damages.

Introduced: 1/7/2015

Status: 1/15/2015-Referred to Com. on JUD.

Location: 1/15/2015-S. JUD.

Summary: Would except a small business from statutory damage liability in connection with a construction-related accessibility claim, and would instead limit recovery to injunctive relief and reasonable attorney's fees as deemed appropriate by the court. The bill would also extend the period for correcting construction-related violations that are the basis of a claim from 60 days to 120 days of being served with the complaint, for purposes of reducing a defendant's minimum statutory damage liability to \$1000.

Position

Watch

SB 128 (Wolk D) End of life.

Introduced: 1/20/2015

Status: 2/5/2015-Referred to Coms. on HEALTH and JUD.

Location: 2/5/2015-S. HEALTH

Summary: Would enact the End of Life Option Act authorizing an adult who meets certain qualifications, and who has been determined by his or her attending physician to be suffering from a terminal illness, as defined, to make a request for medication prescribed pursuant to these provisions for the purpose of ending his or her life. The bill would establish the procedures for making these requests. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position

Watch

Total Measures: 9

Total Tracking Forms: 9

Item 8e
DRC: SUPPORT FEDERAL
INITIATIVES THAT
STRENGTHEN MENTAL
HEALTH

Support Federal Initiatives that Strengthen Community Mental Health Services and Disability Rights California's Advocacy Services¹

California Organizations Support Disability Rights California's (DRC) Efforts to Ensure Effective Mental Health and Other Critical Services

DRC, the nation's largest protection and advocacy agency, assisted 21,978 Californians with disabilities including 7,981 individuals with mental health disabilities in 2014.² DRC used a variety of advocacy approaches including individual advice and representation, systems and policy reform, patient advocacy and training about service rights. Significant work includes litigation to secure access to mental health services, elimination of cuts to personal care and adult day health services that allow individuals to remain in their own home, and policy advocacy to reduce abuse and neglect including report of deaths and serious injuries in state institutions to DRC and requiring independent sexual assault exams.³

Last year, federal legislation was introduced that would have seriously impeded DRC's ability to obtain these results through devastating funding cuts to protection and advocacy agencies (P&A), like DRC. It also would have prohibited DRC and other P&A's, from representing individuals in a class action, and from assisting individuals about their right to refuse medical treatment or act against the wishes of their caretakers.⁴ DRC plays

¹ For more information about this letter, please contact Evelyn Abouhassan or Leslie Morrison.

² Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness, Pub. L. No.99-319, 100 Stat. 478.

³ *Napper v. Sacramento County*: stopped cuts to community mental health services; *Oster et al. v. Wagner*: stopped cuts to the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program that provide individuals with services, which assist them in living independently in the community; *Darling v. Douglas*: stopped cuts to the adult day health care program that provide among other services medication monitoring for seniors and individuals with psychiatric disabilities; *Katie A v. Bonta and Emily Q v. Bonta*: secured access to mental health behavior "wrap-around" services to foster children who otherwise were at risk of institutionalization.

⁴ **HR 3717 (Murphy)**: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/house-bill/3717>

a critical role in ensuring Californians have access to necessary mental health services and we oppose efforts which will limit that authority.

California Organizations Support Access to Community Based Mental Health Services

We urge support for future federal measures that seek to maximize individuals with mental health disabilities' access to voluntary community-based mental health services. Individuals with psychiatric disabilities want the same opportunities available to everyone in the community. They want to live and work where they choose, and make decisions about their lives and their futures. Yet, many people with psychiatric disabilities face discrimination, segregation and lack of control over even the most basic activities of everyday living. Therefore, it is critical that any federal policy initiatives support efforts to make new investments in prevention, early intervention, and advances mental illness research. Equally important, initiatives must support efforts that promote recovery and community inclusion for diverse populations.⁵

California Organizations Oppose Efforts to Limit Access to Community Based Mental Health Services

We urge you not to support any future federal measures that limit access to advocacy services and community based supports, like last year's **H.R. 3717 (Murphy)**. The measure was introduced last year, and if passed, in addition to interfering with DRC's successful advocacy efforts, it would have eliminated initiatives such as evidence-based, peer-run services and family supports which promote recovery oriented, trauma informed mental health services; and changed federal medical privacy laws (HIPPA) by allowing parents to access their adult children's medical records without their consent.

Conclusion

Community based mental health services and advocacy efforts are critical cornerstones to promoting recovery and inclusion, in California and nationwide. We urge your support of federal legislation that advances these goals and thank you for your support on behalf of Californians' with disabilities.

⁵ **H.R. 4574 (Barber)**: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/house-bill/4574>; sought to accomplish many of these goals without reducing funding to P&As or imposing limits on the critical work DRC does to increase access to vital services and protect the rights of individuals with mental health disabilities.

LIST OF CALIFORNIA ORGANIZATIONS IN SUPPORT

Item 8f

**DRC: CA DEPARTMENTS
AGREE TO TRANSFORM
EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
TO PEOPLE WITH
INTELLECTUAL AND DD**



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 26, 2015

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California departments agree to transform employment services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities

Sacramento, January 26, 2015 -- The California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR), Department of Developmental Services (DDS), and Department of Education (CDE), in collaboration with Disability Rights California (DRC), recently took an historic step as one of a handful of states to transform its provision of employment services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Currently, under certain circumstances, employers can pay people with disabilities less than minimum wage based on their productivity. This practice is most often applied to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, who are in “sheltered workshops” where they do not work alongside people without disabilities.

There is a national movement to prepare people with disabilities to work in integrated settings earning a livable wage, sometimes referred to as “competitive integrated employment” (CIE). DOR, DDS, and CDE have agreed to develop a plan or “blueprint” to make CIE a reality in California.

People with intellectual and developmental disabilities, like Charles McCarron—a 45 year-old man who wanted to work in the food service industry from the time he was a teenager—can work in the community earning above minimum wage. Although Charles graduated from his high school special education program, he was unable to get a job in the community. Instead, he worked in a sheltered workshop earning about \$.33 per hour. Years later, with appropriate job development and coaching services, Charles now works at Farrell's Ice Cream Parlor, earning \$10 per hour.

DOR, DDS, and CDE, with the involvement of Disability Rights California, will develop a blueprint over a six month period to guide California. The blueprint will contain:

1. A directive from each department to employees and partners that employment in integrated, competitive settings is preferred for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities;
2. Establishment of measurable goals and benchmarks including timelines for performance outcomes and a process for reviewing the outcomes, to be completed within five years;
3. Delineation of state and local agency roles and responsibilities in planning, services, coordination, and dispute resolution between departments;
4. Development of requirements for annually informing individuals and their families about opportunities and supports for integrated, competitive employment;
5. Development of specific recommendations for policy and regulatory change, and stakeholders' recommendations for statutory changes;
6. Creation of an informal resolution process for disputes among the departments regarding the implementation of the blueprint at the state and local levels.

"We applaud the state departments for demonstrating leadership on this issue to make CIE a reality in California," said Andrew Mudryk, DRC's Deputy Director.

Throughout the process, DOR, DDS, and CDE will update the community on its progress in developing the blueprint and will invite input from stakeholders.

Item 9
**THREE POLICY PRIORITY
AREAS**

The Problem Now

The Process/ Means to achieve the Objectives

The Objectives to achieve the Goal

The Goal

Lack of Information regarding Self-Determination currently available and accessible to the public

Using Plain Language and People First Language to Create FAQ/Info Sheet with DRC, DDS, SCDD Regional Offices, ARCA, FRNs, UCEDDS, RC Vendors,

Provide training on Person-Centered-Planning, Role of Broker, Role of Fiscal Mgmt Services

Standardize information that is going out

Provide Outreach and Training

Develop Workgroup to Develop Common Curriculum and Assessment for Trainings – Suggested members: Lapins, McClark, JMark, JLewis, WWest, SHinkle, RWood, AB10, Michigan People and DDS

Monitor Implementation

Successful Uniform, Equal and Consistent implementation across regional centers for all consumers, while maintaining freedom of choice with maximum number of participants in program while eliminating obstacles

#1 LPPC PRIORITY (2015)
SELF-DETERMINATION

The Problem Now

The Process/ Means to achieve the Objectives

The Objectives to achieve the Goal

The Goal

Not enough affordable and accessible housing units

Need DDS and RCs to provide a complete listing of current capacity for community-based affordable housing (similar to Agnews project)

Capture DC resources by meeting with the right Housing Comm Legislators

Seek collaboration with ILCS and Housing Authorities, DDS and HHS to make high priority – Housing California

Push to have CMS Regs to support Housing

Tap into the VA to see how they do it. See how other SCDDs do it.

Secure Government Funding for Start-Up (such as 1st month and last month rent) maybe by revisiting Desalnier bill

Seek tax breaks for landlords/homeowners to make housing accessible

Develop resource guide on accessibility and modification programs in California so people know what is available

Increase the number of Affordable, Accessible and Adaptable housing Units, including those for multigenerational families

#2 LPPC PRIORITY (2015)

HOUSING

The Problem Now

The Process/ Means to achieve the Objectives

The Objectives to achieve the Goal

The Goal

People with IDD do not have quality of life with the supports that they need

Measurement needs to statistically capture the IDD population with Culture/ Ethnicity/ Language/ Multi-generational housing, etc

Put stakeholder group together to review method and tool and outcome to determine how to increase quality of services and the implementation of the tool

Utilize NCI Data from the QA project to determine what people are saying about their quality of life

To ensure the person has quality of life with all necessary supports

#3 LPCC PRIORITY (2015)
QUALITY OF SERVICES AND SUPPORTS

