



Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) Meeting Agenda

June 3, 2024

5:00 PM to 7:00PM

Teleconference via Zoom Webinar

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87481900522?pwd=WGpEVnRUZ283UlhqdGtPSIJLaE9Udz09>

Passcode: 062916

Or Telephone:

Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

Webinar ID: 874 8190 0522

Passcode: 062916

International numbers available: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbbZwBlo7Y>

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 11123.1 and 11125(f), individuals with disabilities who require accessible alternative formats of the agenda and related meeting materials and/or auxiliary aids/services to participate in the meeting should contact Isis Rasmussen at (661) 873-4575 or email at isis.rasmussen@kernrc.org

AGENDA

1) Call to Order

2) Establish of Quorum:

- This means at one more than half of the committee members needs to be present for votes to occur. That means three committee members need to be present to vote, but the committee can discuss and solve problems without voting on anything.
- There are seven members of this committee:
 - Rick Wood, chair (SCDD appointee)
 - Kelly Kulzer-Reyes (KRC appointee)
 - Nico Snyder (KRC appointee)
 - Sandra Van Scotter (SCDD appointee)
 - Adeyinka Glover (OCRA representative, required by statute),
 - Norma Tuiasopo (Family Resource Center representative- Exceptional Families Center, required by statute)
 - Abigail Teasdale (SCDD appointee)
- If you are interested in serving, please contact KRC's Enrique Roman or SCDD's Yolanda Cruz to volunteer.

3) Additional Items: Discussion items can be added. Items added here cannot be voted on today. You can also mention things you would like focused on at a future meeting.

4) Public Comment: Comments about items not on the agenda are welcome! If your concern/topic is on the agenda, please join the discussion and add your thoughts there, too.

5) Approval of Minutes for SDLVAC Meeting May 6, 2024, attachment 1 **Action**

6) Status of SDP (Wood/Kulzer-Reyes)

- Updates on SDP at KRC and statewide **Discussion**
 - a. Celebrations (Kulzer-Reyes)
 - b. Obstacles (Kulzer-Reyes)
 - c. Directives (Wood/Kulzer-Reyes)
 - d. Statewide Committee updates (Wood)
 - e. Election of Committee Chair
 - f. Discussion of the First Choice Solutions, LLC and Community Integration Specialists submitted a joint report of Self Determination Transitional Services FY 21/22

7) KRC Updates **Discussion**

- a) Self-Determination Program Enrollment
- b) General Updates on the Self-Determination Program
- c) *Data request: Presentation and Discussion of the obstacles in the transition to SDP -*
 - a. SDP Enrollment summary (Participant Choice Specialists)
 - b. Orientation completions (demographic data: ethnicity, location, and language group)

8) Topics for Next Meeting

Discussion

- **Members of the public – suggestions welcome!**

Upcoming meetings,

2024 SDPLVAC meeting schedule;

- July 1, 2024
- August 5, 2024
- September 9, 2024
- October 7, 2024
- November 4, 2024
- December 2, 2024

9) Adjournment

Attachment 1

KRC SDP Local Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting

May 6, 2024

1. Call to Order: 5:07 p.m.
2. Establishment of Quorum: Present were Rick Wood, Kelly Kulzer-Reyes, Sandra Van Scotter, Adeyinka Glover and Norma Tuiasopo. Nico Snyder resigned from the committee. Yolanda Cruz reported that an appointment of a new committee member has been made by SCDD, who will join the committee at its next meeting. A quorum was established.
3. Additional Items: None.
4. Public Comment: None.
5. Approval of Minutes of April 8, 2024 meeting: Deferred to the next regular meeting on June 3, 2024 at the request of Kelly.
6. Status of SDP:
 - a. Celebrations: Kelly gave a “shout-out” to the KRC SDP Participant Choice Specialists for the work they do and have done.
 - b. Obstacles: None.
 - c. Directives: Sandra spoke to recent DDS SDP Directives to clarify billing requirements for providers; employer burden components and financial compliance by FMSs; and elimination of surety bond requirements for vendored FMSs.
 - d. SSDAC Updates: None.
 - e. Election of Committee Chair: Rick and Sandra expressed interest in serving as the committee chair. Nominations and election to occur at the next regular meeting on June 3, 2024.
 - f. Review Responses to RFP re: implementation of SDP with SDP funds:

Melanie Waters provided an overview and summary of proposals submitted by Ally Comprehensive Services, LLC, Community Integration Specialists, SDP Pro, Lighthouse Best, Independent Facilitator Training Academy, and Self Determined Futures LLC, together with specific funds requests.

Independent Facilitator Training Academy proposal includes online IF training. It is a partner with Exceptional Family Resource Center. Funds requested: \$69440. Discussion: there is not a clear explanation of hourly rates, the cost, and double-billing, duplicative of other KRC grant, online modules.

Self Determined Futures LLC proposal includes program to increase SDP awareness, orientation and training, ongoing support. San Diego based, and 099 vendor at 5 Regional Centers. Funds requested: \$78,000+. Discussion: proposal not well-received, looks like a ChatGPT proposal; most of funds are for personnel.

Revised as of May 28, 2024

Community Integration Specialists, LLC proposal includes coaching, training, outreach, orientation in Inyo and Mono Counties, may include Ridgecrest. Funds requested: \$22,500. Discussion: demonstrated success, Spanish speaking participants.

Ally Comprehensive Services, LLC proposal does not include a specific funds request, focused on Spanish speaking/Hispanic community, similar to previous contracts. Discussion: training of IFs.

Lighthouse Best proposal focuses on 30-50 potential participants, local (Bakersfield). Discussion: proposal resonated, local, but unclear what its SDP experience is, and it should share its information about local consumers without having a contract.

SDP Pro concept is to establish a virtual community SDP hub through a server managed by it, centralized training and access, all in one place. Funds requested: \$35,000. Discussion: interesting concept, creative, unique, security issues, access/subscription issues, HIPAA compliance, how to fund in the future after grant ends (sustainability).

The committee agreed to have a followup discussion at a special meeting on May 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Proponents may submit additional material not later than May 13, 2024.

g. Discussion of First Choice Solutions, Ally, and Community Integration Specialists Reports: deferred to next regular meeting on June 3, 2024.

7. KRC Updates. Deferred to next regular meeting on June 3, 2024.

8. Topics for Next Meeting: Continued discussion of Responses to RFPs on May 20, 2024.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.