

**Harbor Regional Center
Client Advisory Committee**

May 11, 2013

Meeting

Members Present: Debbie Howard, Co-Chair; Rita Teodoro, Secretary
Treasurer; Kelly Sutton; Deaka McClain; Erik Soe; Connie Leuck;
Michelle Roach; Karen Tripp; and Rebecca Smith.

HRC Staff Present: Rick Travis;

Life Steps staff present: Jenelle Reyes

Debbie Howard called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Debbie Howard introduced the minutes of the February 9, 2013 meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved by the committee members.

ARCA Report

Mr. Wesley Dale unable to attend the meeting due to work commitments. However, he will update the committee at the August Meeting.

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State Budget Update

Rick Travis updated the Committee on current budget issues. No changes due to the passage of Proposition 30. The state is working with Regional Centers to address any short falls that may be projected this year. Overall, budget continues to be better than past years but needs to continue to be monitored as the year goes on.

Regional Center Update

Rick Travis, HRC reported that several new counselors have been hired. Some individuals may have new counselors in the future. He encouraged all members who have new counselors to contact them and get to know them. He also discussed the new HRC website that has recently become available. He encouraged members to check out the new site.

CAC Outreach

Next quarter the CAC will visit a program in the Torrance area. Rick and Kelly will set up the visit and contact those in the Torrance area who would like to participate.

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Discussion of CAC Future Events

Rick Travis reported that the Adult Services Department will be hosting a Health and Wellness Fair on October 12, 2013 at the Torrance HRC site. He also shared **Feeling Safe Being Safe** training available to include in the Health and Wellness Fair. Member discussed participating in the Health and Wellness Fair. They indicated they would like to volunteer and to assist in presenting the **Feeling Safe Being Safe**.

CAC Photos

Rick Travis took group and individual photos with CAC members. He will bring the photos to the next session to share with the CAC.

Adjournment

Debbie Howard adjourned the meeting at 2:57 p.m.

Next Meeting will be August 10, 2013 at the HRC Torrance Office.

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Members Present: Kristine Engels, Life Steps Foundation, Chair; Rhiannon Acree, Cambrian Homecare, Mary Grace Lagasca, InJOY Life Resources; Sarah Sanders, California Mentor; Diane Sanka, Easter Seal Southern California; Nancy Langdon; Canyon Verde; Tanya San Roman, Carey Smith, PRIDE Industries; Luigi Grimaldi, Alliance Human Services; Jason Snow, Keolis Transit America; Patty Solozano, Oxford Services

Guests Present: Clare Grey, South Bay Vocational Center, Gina Nunes, Maria Ortiz, Pathpoint

HRC Staff Present: Colleen Mock, HRC Community Services Director; Judy Wada, HRC Chief Financial Officer; Nancy Moyano HRC Purchase of Service Coordinator; Barbara del Monico, HRC Resource Center Manager

Presentation of HRC Resource Center Service Provider Training Materials:

Ms. Barbara del Monico presented materials on cultural diversity for both staff and client training for check-out through the HRC Resource Center. All of the bibliographies available through the HRC Resource Center are now available through the HRC website www.harborrc.org.

Ms. Del Monico also shared the client booklets available on the Lantman Act. These booklets are written in user friendly language and larger print.

Budget Update:

Ms. Wada, HRC CFO reviewed the Fiscal Year 11-12 budget. Harbor Regional Center did not end with a deficit but it is anticipated that there will still remain a deficit statewide.

There is an anticipated case flow problem throughout the state and HRC may experience this case flow as an issue mid-June/13. If services are provided, the service provider will be paid but the payments may be delayed due to lack of funds.

Ms. Wada also reviewed the projected Governor's budget for Fiscal Year 13-14 and announced that it does appear that the full service provider rates will be restored.

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HRC Update:

Ms. Judy Wada introduced Ms. Nancy Moyano, the Purchase of Service Coordinator for Harbor Regional Center.

Ms Wada announced that now the Accounting Department now emails the Purchase Orders every Friday the first two weeks of the month and every Friday and Wednesday the last two weeks of the month. The goal will be to have the Purchase Orders emailed daily

Ms. Colleen Mock announced that there is a current RFP for the development of licensed homes and day program listed on the HRC website.

Ms. Mock also announced the diversity hearings to be held in English on the morning of June 18, 2013 and with Spanish translation on the afternoon of June 18, 2013.

Ms. Mock announced the remaining dates for the 2013 Service Provider Advisory Meetings:
July 16, 2013
September 17, 2013
November 19, 2013