



Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting

April 30, 2024



SPAC Agenda

1. SPAC Sub-Committee Chair Updates
2. Budget/Rate Study Implementation—Judy
3. Executive Director Report—Patrick
4. DSP Training Stipend & HCBS Compliance—Brian
5. Self Determination—Aurelio
6. Family Resource Center—Maria Elena
7. Service Provider Announcements



SPAC Sub-Committee Chair Updates

- Early Start – Sharon Oh
- Residential Services – Bertha Martin
- Day Program – Diane Sanka
- Employment Services – Lindsey Stone
- Support Services - Paul Quiroz
- Transportation – Baldo Pasetta
- Supported Living Services – TBD



Budget Update/Rate Implementation

Judy Wada



California Budget Update

Fiscal Year July 1st to June 30th

- FY 2023-24 ends 6/30/24
- FY 2024-25 ends 7/1/24

Governor's Proposed Budget – January 10th

Governor's May Revision – May 14th

Legislature to Pass Budget Bill – June 15th

Governor's Proposed Budget

- Caseload Growth & Utilization
- Full year costs and reforecasts
- Service Provider Rate Reform: Delay final 25% of difference from 7/1/2024 to 7/1/2025

Rate Study Implementation

4/1/2022

25% of difference between March 31, 2022 and applicable rate model

1/1/2023

50% of difference between March 31, 2022 rate and applicable rate model

7/1/2024 or 7/1/2025

Full implementation of rate models with 2 payment components:

1. Base Rate equaling 90% of the rate model
2. Quality Incentive Program component of up to 10% of the rate model

Rate Study Update

Rate Study Implementation also includes:

- Creation and consolidation of service codes
- Changes to billing units

DDS Hold Harmless Policy

- Hold harmless policy for providers whose 1/1/2023 rates exceed 90% of the rate model until 6/30/2026, after which time base rates shall be adjusted to the base rates for other providers in that service category and region.

QIP—Delivery of Early Intervention Services

Calendar Year 2024

- Newly authorized EI service to child less than 3 years in the ES Program
- DDS use data from the Client Master File, POS data, and eBilling to determine number of days from authorization to first instance of service
- DDS Directive April 11, 2024

Enclosure A - Table of Tiered Incentive Amounts

Webinar May 1, 2024, 1:00-2:00pm

QIP Early Intervention Incentives	
Within 16-20 days	\$100
Within 11-15 days	\$200
Within 1-10 days	\$300

QIP—Delivery of Early Intervention Services continued

Enclosure C - Table of Eligible Service Codes and Descriptions

Service Code	Service Description
28	Socialization Training Program
48	Client/Parent Support Intervention Training
56	Interdisciplinary Assessment
63	Community Activities Support Services
102	Individual or Family Training Services
103	Specialized Health, Treatment & Training Services
108	Parenting Support Services
112	Communication Aides
116	Early Start Specialized Therapeutic Services
612	Behavior Analyst
615	Behavior Management Assistant
620	Behavior Management Consultant
625	Counseling Services
672	Education Psychologist

678	Teacher of Special Education
693	Music Therapist
706	Audiology
707	Speech Pathology
720	Dietary Services
730	Hearing & Audiology Facility
742	Licensed Vocational Nurse
744	Registered Nurse
745	Orthoptic Services
750	Orthotic & Prosthetic Services
772	Physical Therapy
773	Occupational Therapy
785	Clinical Psychologist
805	Infant Development Program
810	Infant Development Specialist
851	Child Day Care
854	Home Health Agency
862	In-Home Respite Services Agency

DSP Bi-/Multi-Lingual Pay Differential Program

Coming soon!

- Eligibility similar to DSP Training Stipend
- Monthly differential to DSPs who communicate in a language or medium other than English as part of their regular job duties:

1 Language	\$100
2 Languages	\$200
- Employer receives \$125 for gross wages and employer-rated costs

FY 2023-24 Allocation & PEP

	<u>State-wide</u>	<u>HRC</u>
E-1 Contract Regular POS	\$10,383,000,000	\$352,000,000
POS Expenditure Projection (PEP) 3/2024 actuals	\$10,434,000,000	\$357,000,000
Projected Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$51,000,000)	(\$5,000,000)
E-2 Contract Regular POS (Pending)	\$11,563,000,000	\$377,000,000
Adjusted Surplus/(Deficit)	\$1,129,000,000	\$20,000,000
% Surplus	10%	5%
Total Caseload 3/31/2024	459,504	18,464



Executive Director Report

Patrick Ruppe
Executive Director

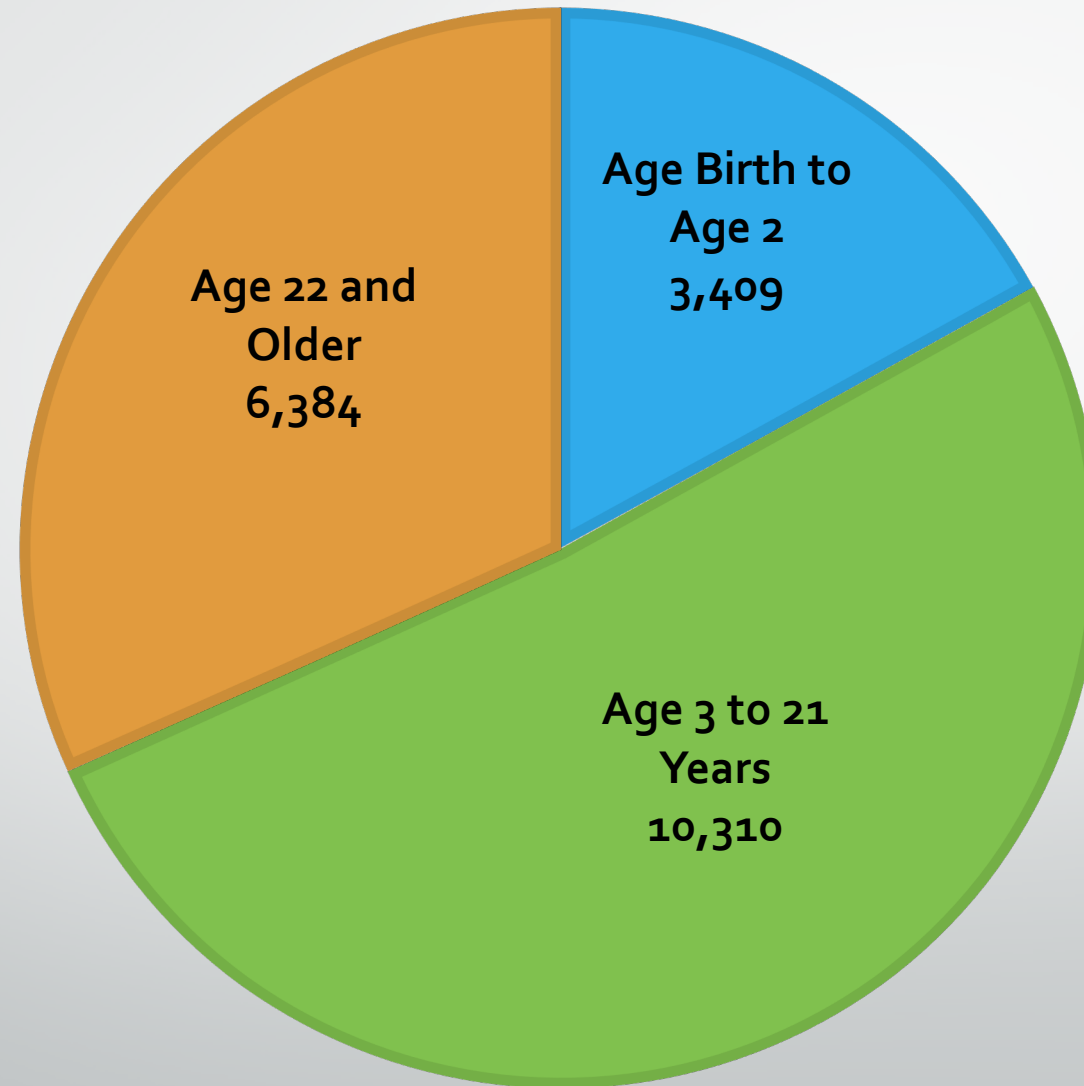


DDS Initiatives

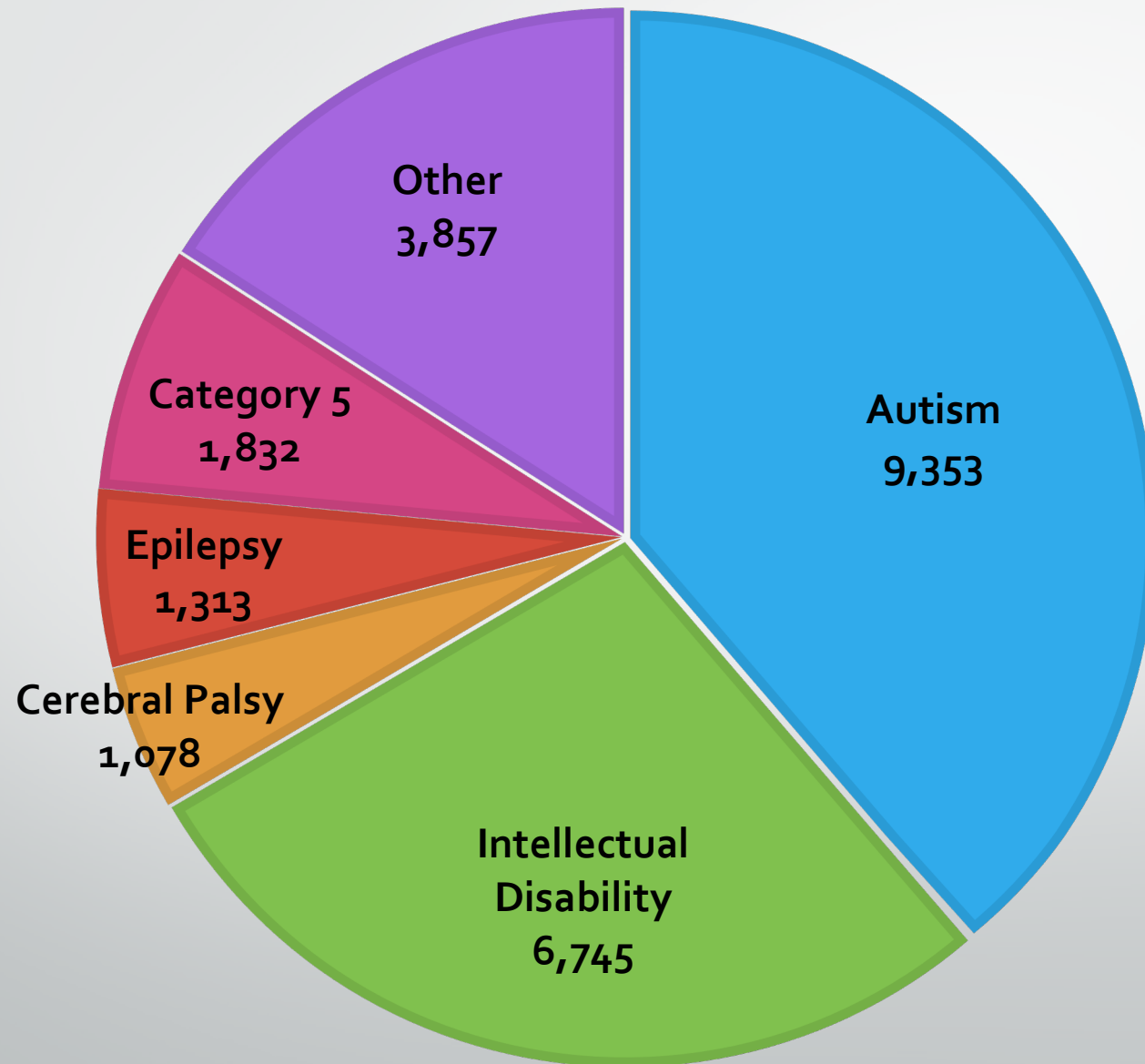
Statewide Standardization

- IPP (Individual Program Plan)
- Provider Directory
- Vendor Packet
- Master Plan for Developmental Services

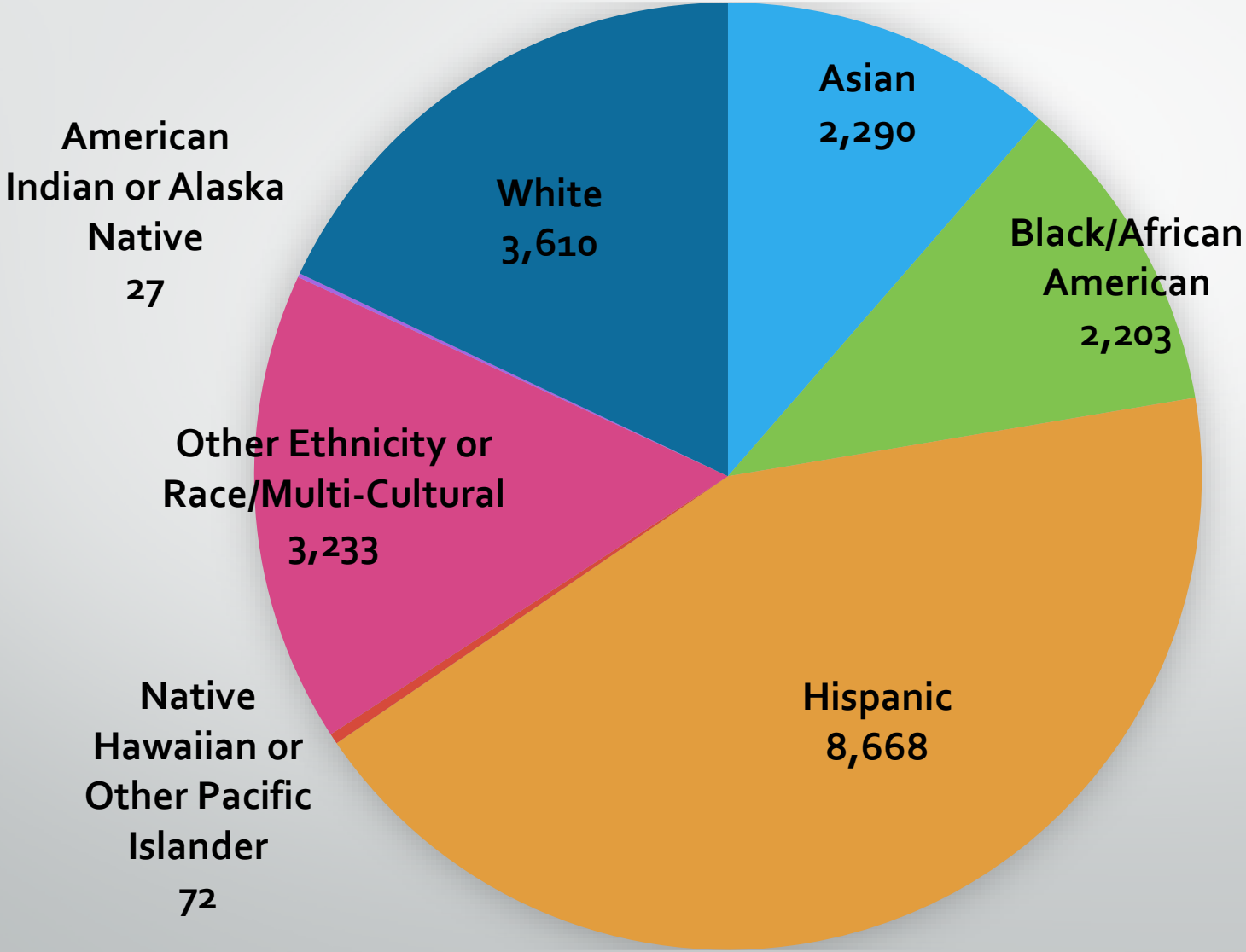
HRC Caseload by Age



HRC Caseload by Diagnosis

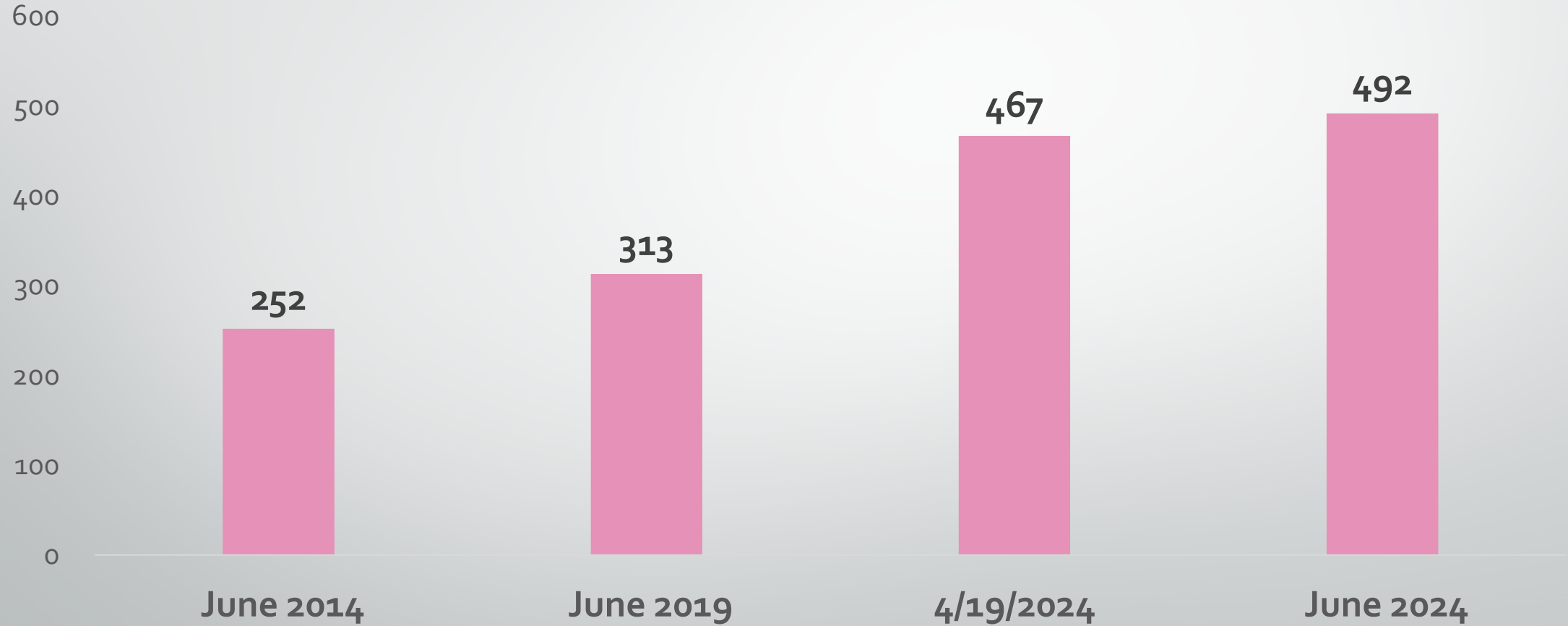


HRC Caseload by Ethnicity



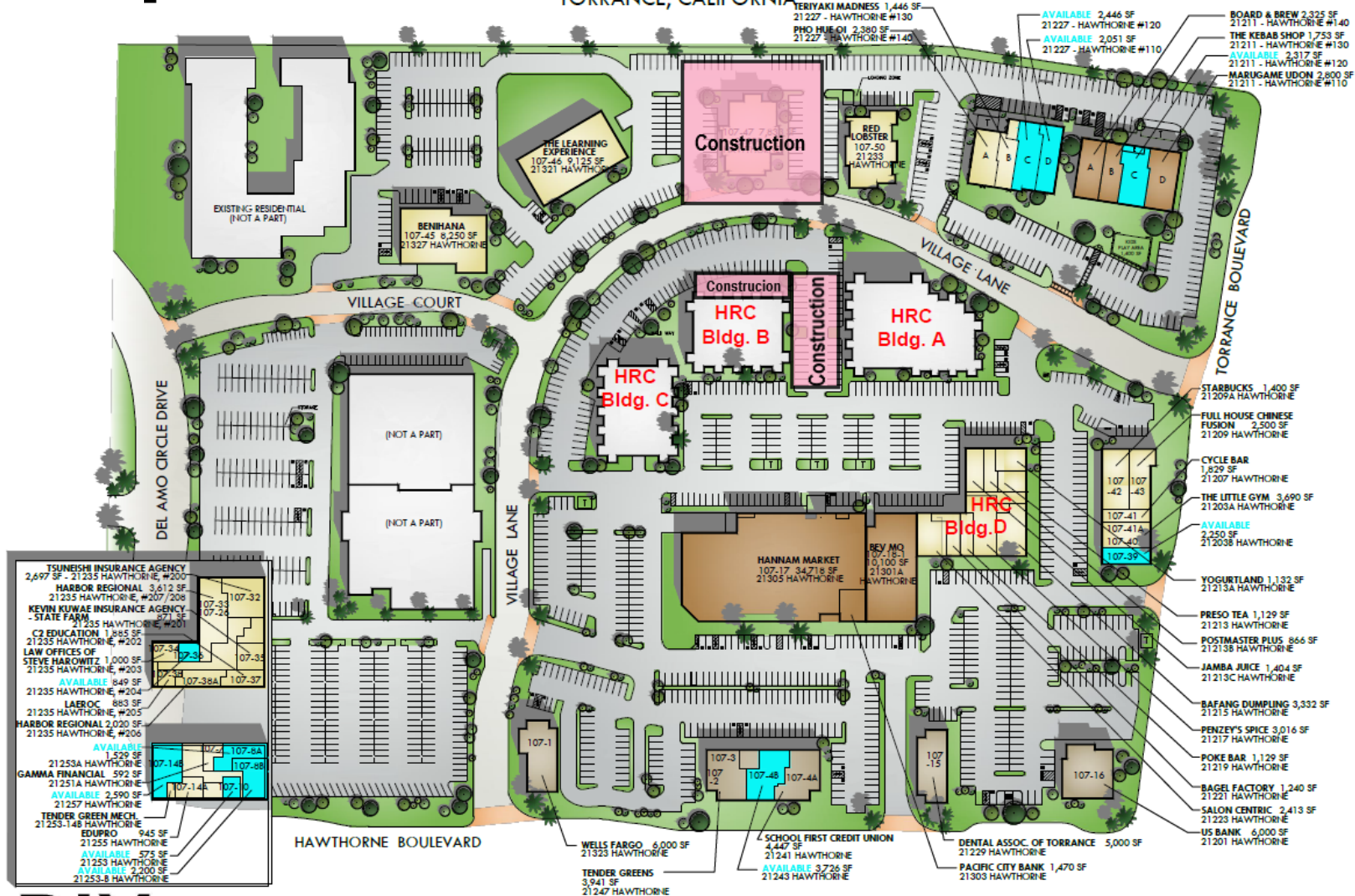


HRC Employees



HRC Campus

VILLAGE DEL AMO TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA



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Where People Thrive
AUG. 29, 2023

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Coming soon

Language Capacity Survey

Community of Practice



DSP Training Stipend & HCBS Update

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DSP TRAINING STIPEND REVIEW

Per DDS Guidance September 12, 2023:

- DSP's can receive up to two (2) \$625 (before taxes) stipends when they complete approved training courses through

June 30, 2024.

- Providers are eligible to receive \$150 for employer related costs.

DSP's, including some frontline supervisors and clinical staff, must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Works as a paid DSP an average of 10 hours or more per week
- Perform direct support tasks for individuals served by the RC
- Spend at least 50% of work hours doing direct support tasks
- Employed by an RC vendor or by an SDP participant

*****ICF/DD, ICF/DD-H, ICH/DD-N, and ICF/DD-CN are eligible for the DSP stipend.***

DSP Training Stipend TODAY

- Since the program began 4,419 training courses have been completed by approximately by 1,325 DSPs.
- For more information visit our website:
 - www.harborrc.org/service-providers



HCBS UPDATES

HCBS: DDS Updates

- Regional centers have been conducting onsite visits to monitor and ensure that service providers are in full HCBS compliance by meeting the following milestones:
 - 50% of by April 30th, 2024,
 - **75% by June 2024, with completion of all HCBS assessments by August 30th, 2024**
- Per DDS data released 4/5/24, 38% of settings have been reviewed and DDS is optimistic that 50% will be reviewed by end of day today.
- HCBS Compliance Tool has been posted on HRC's website.
 - <https://www.harborrc.org/post/home-and-community-based-services-final-rule-monitoring-and-compliance>
- Per DDS data released 4/5/24 only one Regional Center has placed a provider on a Corrective Action Plan (CAP).

All Setting Types

Overview of DDS HCBS Compliance

HCBS Settings

8021	3082	4939	38%
Total Settings	Settings Reviewed	Not Yet Visited	Settings Reviewed

Compliance Status

2435	647	79%	30%
Total Compliant	Total In Progress	Compliant (Reviewed)	Compliant (Required)

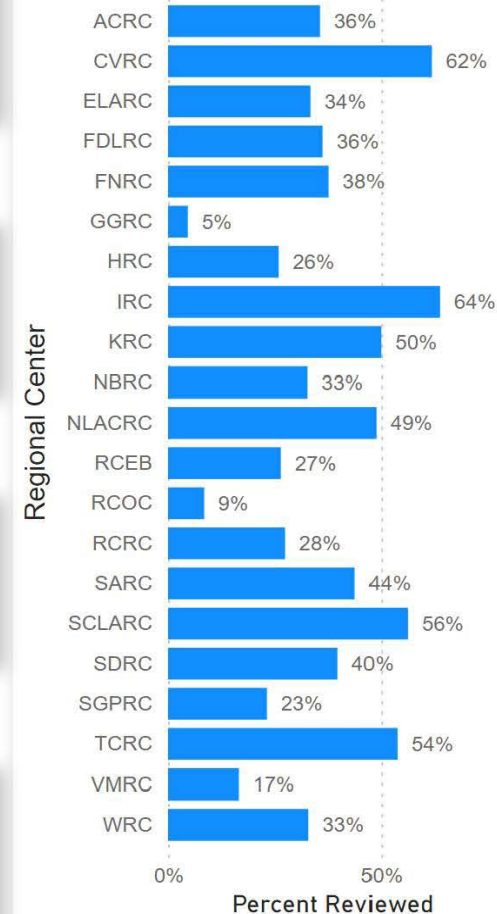
Remediation Plans

632	15	0
Technical Assistance	CAP Issued	Provider Appeal

Sanctions

0	0	0
Moratorium	Alternative Options	50% Payment Withhold

Settings Reviewed by Regional Center





LOCAL HCBS UPDATES

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- HRC has hired two additional HCBS Specialists to assist with supporting service providers with HCBS compliance and monitoring. Please welcome **Aimee Fabila** and **Kiara Martinez**!
- May 6th 2024- HCBS: The Basics- Will be held at HRC Torrance office from 10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m., in room A4. This training is meant to help service providers with the understanding and implementation of the ten Federal Requirements, implementing the rules in your program, and the type of documentation that should be included.
- May 14th- May 17th- Person-Centered Training with IntellectAbility: Will be at HRC Torrance office from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. in A4.

LOCAL HCBS UPDATES

- May 22nd 2024- Person Centered and Dignified Language- Will be at HRC Torrance from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in A1/A2. This training is meant to help providers deal with the ever changing language to help provide HCBS compliant language in program documentation.
- May 22nd 2024- HCBS Sip and Chat: Will be at HRC Torrance from 5:30-7:00 in A4. For further information, please see link below:
<https://www.harborrc.org/special-event/hcbs-sip-and-chat-cafe-y-charla-sobre-hcbs-1>
- June 7th 2024- HCBS Sip and Chat: Will be virtual from 5:30-7:00 in A4. To register, please see link below:
<https://uso6web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlkdOqvqj4oEgKKLGePGYhEoxDL1DeuZOY5>
- June 25th- June 28th - Person-Centered Training with IntellectAbility: Will be at HRC Torrance office from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. in A4.
- July 9th - HCBS Sip and Chat: Will be at HRC Torrance from 5:30-7:00 in A4. For further information, please see link below:
<https://www.harborrc.org/special-event/hcbs-sip-and-chat-cafe-y-charla-sobre-hcbs-1>



Self-Determination Program (SDP)

Aurelio Lopez
Participant Choice Specialist

5 PRINCIPLES OF SDP

FREEDOM

SUPPORT

AUTHORITY

CONFIRMATION

RESPONSIBILITY

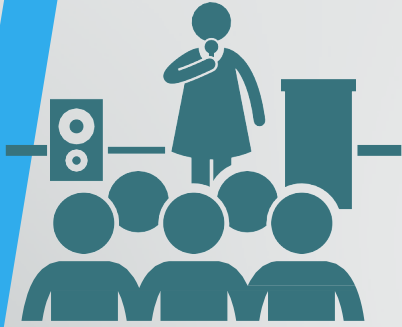
TRADITIONAL SERVICES

- Regional Center
- Service Coordinator
- Person-Centered Planning
- Individual Person-Centered Plan (IPP)
- Advocacy
- Vended Service Providers

SELF-DETERMINATION PROGRAM (SDP)

- Regional Center
- Service Coordinator and an Independent Facilitator (IF)- Optional
- Person-Centered Planning
- Individual Person-Centered Plan (IPP)
- Advocacy
- Vended and Non-Contracted Providers
- Individual Budget
- Financial Management Services (FMS)

STEPS TO ENROLL IN SDP:



1. Attend an SDP Orientation



2. IF, PCP Report - Optional



3. Certified Individual Budget



4. Spending Plan



5. Financial Management Service (FMS)



6. Live in SDP

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICE (FMS)



Pays for services
from budget



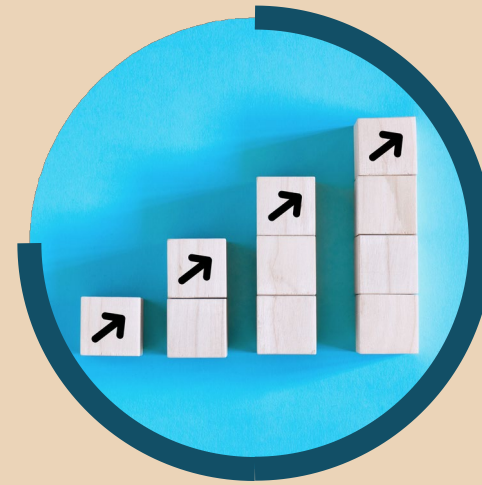
Background &
Qualifications



Spending Plan
support



Monthly
Summaries



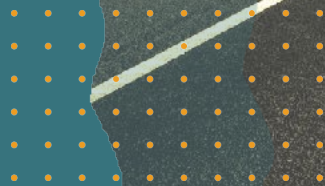
Transition
Services

SDP at HRC

WHITE	90
LATINO	58
ASIAN	44
BLACK	18
OTHER	13
MULTICULTURAL	10
BIRACIAL	2
Live	235

THANK YOU!

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Financial Management Services (FMS) Request for Proposal (RFP)

- All 21 regional centers are joining in the development of three separate FMS agencies to increase capacity across the state in SDP, Participant-Directed Services, and CIE/PIP program.
- South region includes: ELARC, SDRC, RCOC, NLACRC, WRC, HRC, SGPRC, SCLARC & FDLRC
- SoCal Bidders conference via Zoom, **April 30th, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.**
 - <https://url.us.m.mimecastprotect.com/s/ikgOCqxMrGc8ERqDIQDjjq>
- Deadline to apply is **May 15th, 2024 by 3PM**
- For more details visit: www.harborrc.org/request-proposals-rfps



Family Resource Center

Maria Elena Walsh
Manager, Family Resource Center



Service Provider Announcements



Next SPAC Meeting

June 4, 2024

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

HRC Torrance Office

A1/A2