

Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting

February 3, 2026



Agenda

- Welcome – Angie Rodriguez
- Sub-Committee Chair Updates
 - Paul Quiroz -Support Services
 - Rafael Carbajal -Supportive Living Services
 - Baldo Paseta -Transportation
 - Diane Sanka - Day Program
 - Lindsey Stone - Employment Services
 - Sharon Oh - Early Start
 - Bertha Martin - Residential Services

Agenda cont...

- DSP Collaborative - Bill Kiefaber
- HCBS Update - Brian Carrillo
- Budget Update - Judy Wada
- Rate Reform – Judy Wada
- Quality Incentive Program (QIP) - Elizabeth Garcia-Moya
- Standardized Vendorization - Elizabeth Garcia-Moya
- Service Provider Announcements
- Next SPAC meeting- 04/07/2026

DSP Collaborative

Bill Kiefaber



DSP Collaborative Job Fair

Save the Date:

Thursday, March 5

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**Registration details to follow.*

HCBS Update

Brian Carrillo, HCBS Specialist



Helen Sanderson & Associates Trainings 2026

- **Curious Conversations**

- Cohort 1- Jan. 13th - Mar. 17th, 2026; Mondays 10:00-11:30 am Via Zoom. Link coming soon.
- Cohort 2- Jan. 15th - Mar. 19th, 2026; Thursdays 1:00-2:30 pm Via Zoom. Link coming soon.

Intellectability Trainings

- Person-Centered Thinking
 - Session 4- Wed. 2/11 and Thur. 2/12 from 9:00-5:00 at HRC Torrance
 - Session 5- Wed. 3/10 and Thur. 3/11 from 9:00-5:00 at HRC Torrance
 - Session 6- Wed. 4/22 and Thur. 4/23 from 9:00-5:00 at HRC Torrance
- To register please send an email to:
Training.Reservations@harborrc.org
Include the information below:
 - Name
 - Agency
 - Email
 - Position
- If you have any questions, please contact Brian Carrillo at
brian.carrillo@harborrc.org

ALO Trainings

- Targeted HCBS Consultations
 - Selected Providers have been contacted so please register for consultations quickly!
- New Presentation for Individuals served!!!
 - More information coming soon.

Upcoming DDS Monitoring Directive

- Beginning January 1, 2026, an annual review of all HCBS settings will be required
- It will include all previous service codes
- Additional service codes

HCBS Service Codes:

Service Type	Service Code	Service Code Description
Residential	096	Geriatric Facility (Residential Care Facility for the Elderly)
Residential	113	DSS Licensed Specialized Residential Facility (Adult Residential Facilities for Persons with Special Health Care Needs)
Residential	904	Family Home Agency (Adult Family Home, Certified Family Home, Family Teaching Home)
Residential	905, 915	Adult Residential Facility
Residential	910, 920	Children's Residential Facility; Group Home; Foster Family Home; Small Family Home
Day Program	028	Socialization Training Program
Day Program	055	Community Integration Training Program
Day Program	063	Community Activities Support Services
Day Program	475	Participant-Directed Community-Based Training Service for Adults (Community-Based Training Provider)
Day Program	505	Activity Center
Day Program	510	Adult Development Center
Day Program	515	Behavior Management Program
Day Program	855	Adult Day Care (Adult Day Care Facility)
Employment	950	Supported Employment Program-Group Services
Employment	954	Work Activity Program

Budget Update

Judy Wada, Chief Financial Officer



California Budget Update

Budget Cycle

- Fiscal Year July 1st to June 30th
- Governor's Proposed Budget—January 10th
- Governor's May Revision—May 14th
- Enacted Budget—by June 30th

- Current Fiscal Year 2024-25
- Budget Fiscal Year 2025-26

California Budget Update

Governor's Budget

- “Stay in place” budget
- Caseload Growth & Utilization
- Full year costs and reforecasts, including:
 - Rate Reform
 - DSP Bi-/Multi-Lingual Pay Differential
- Public Records Act
- Life Outcomes Improvement System (LOIS)

All Regional Centers (in \$1,000s)

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Difference	%Δ
Operations	\$1,650,667	\$1,782,689	\$132,022	8%
Purchase of Service	\$16,545,412	\$18,849,314	\$2,303,902	14%
Total	\$18,196,079	\$20,632,003	\$2,435,924	13%
Regional Centers Caseload	489,254	526,848	37,594	8%

Harbor Regional Center FY 2025-26 (in \$1,000s)

	Budget (B-2 Amendment)	Projection (Nov Actuals)	Variance	%Δ
Operations	\$64,531	\$64,531		
Purchase of Service	\$430,900	\$525,189	\$94,289	22%
Total	\$495,431	\$589,720	\$94,289	19%
Regional Centers Caseload		21,438	1,370	7%

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

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

Paid to Date	\$1,213,900
DDS Final Report	\$1,258,000
Remaining	\$44,100

QIP—Delivery of Early Intervention Services continued

Enclosure C - Table of Eligible Service Codes and Descriptions

Service Code	Service Description	
28	Socialization Training Program	678 Teacher of Special Education
48	Client/Parent Support Intervention Training	693 Music Therapist
56	Interdisciplinary Assessment	706 Audiology
63	Community Activities Support Services	707 Speech Pathology
102	Individual or Family Training Services	720 Dietary Services
103	Specialized Health, Treatment & Training Services	730 Hearing & Audiology Facility
108	Parenting Support Services	742 Licensed Vocational Nurse
112	Communication Aides	744 Registered Nurse
116	Early Start Specialized Therapeutic Services	745 Orthoptic Services
612	Behavior Analyst	750 Orthotic & Prosthetic Services
615	Behavior Management Assistant	772 Physical Therapy
620	Behavior Management Consultant	773 Occupational Therapy
625	Counseling Services	785 Clinical Psychologist
672	Education Psychologist	805 Infant Development Program
		810 Infant Development Specialist
		851 Child Day Care
		854 Home Health Agency
		862 In-Home Respite Services Agency

Rate Reform



Rate Reform Status

By 12/31/2025 Regional Centers must implement changes to:

- Service codes

- Subcodes

- Billing units

- IFSP/IPP, if applicable

FY 2025-26 Status

Harbor Service/Subcode, Authorization changes:

12/26/2025 81%

1/24/2026 90%

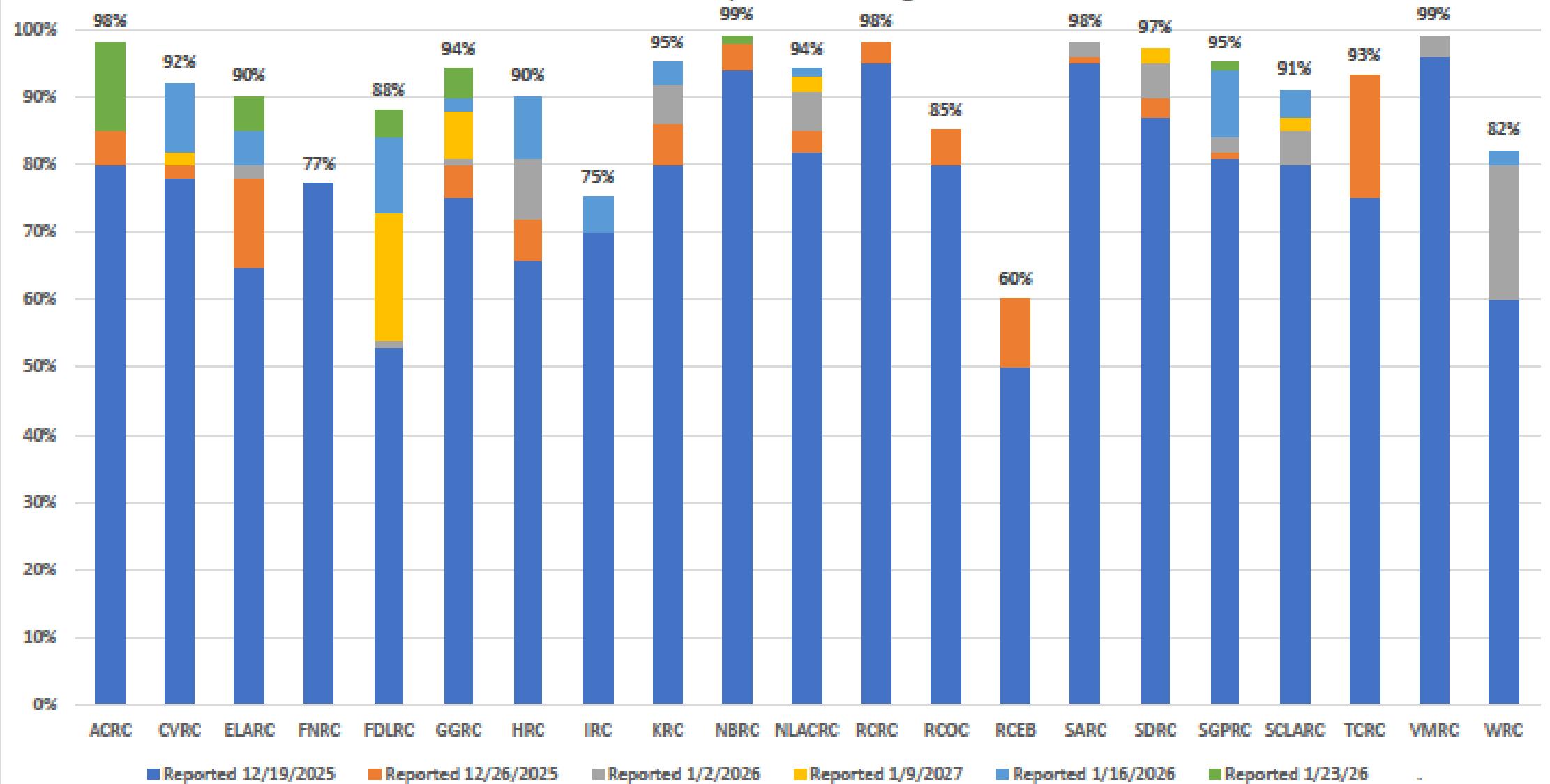
Remaining

Transportation, SLS/ILS, misc.

Going forward

Early Start Services, Behavioral Services

Authorization Completion Per Regional Center



FY 2025-26 Status

Retroactive Payments

Rate Models updated 1/1/2026

Minimum wage
IRS mileage

Transportation Services 875

Change from per individual trip by Zone
To mile per vehicle by type
Small, Medium, Large
Standard vs Non-Ambulatory
Rate has changed 3 times and will change again 3/1/2026!

Rate Reform Status

Hold Harmless

Expiration date of the Hold Harmless policy for providers whose rates exceed the rate model recommendations changed from June 30, 2026 to February 28, 2026, after which time base rates shall be adjusted to the base rates for other providers in that service category and region.

ratesquestions@harborrc.org

Quality Incentive Program Fiscal Year 26/27

Elizabeth Garcia-Moya, Director of Community Services



FY 2026-27: Next QIP, effective 7/1/2026

To qualify for the QIP in Fiscal Year 2026–27, by 2/26/2026 providers must be in compliance with three key requirements, California Welfare and Institutions Code §4519.10:

- Electronic Visit Verification (EVV), if applicable
- Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Rules, if applicable
- Annual independent fiscal audit requirements, if applicable

DDS Directive–Provider Capacity Measure FY 2026-27 due date extended from 1/31/2026 to 2/27/2026

EVV

Caregivers, defined as direct staff are responsible for capturing all six EVV data elements at the time they provide the service to the individual.

The 21st Century Cures Act requires that EVV systems verify six data points each time the service is provided



Individual receiving the service



Individual providing the service



Type of service performed



Location of service delivery



Date of service



Time service begins and ends

EVV Service Codes

CADDS - Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Regional Center Service Codes

Service Code	Service Name	PCS / HHCS
062	Personal Assistance	PCS
310	Respite	PCS
313	Homemaker	PCS
320	Community Living Supports	PCS
359	Home Health Aide	HHCS
361	Skilled Nursing	HHCS
372	Speech, Hearing & Language	HHCS
375	Occupational Therapy	HHCS
376	Physical Therapy	HHCS
460	Participant Directed Nursing Services	HHCS
465	Participant-Directed Respite Service, Family Member	PCS
707	Speech Pathology	HHCS
742	Licensed Vocational Nurse	HHCS
744	Registered Nurse	HHCS
772	Physical Therapy	HHCS
773	Occupational Therapy	HHCS
854	Home Health, Agency	HHCS
856	Home Health Aide	HHCS
858	Homemaker	PCS
860	Homemaker Service	PCS
862	In-Home Respite Services, Agency	PCS
864	In-Home Respite Worker	PCS
896	Supported Living Services	PCS

Home Community-Based Services





Federal Requirements

1. Access to the Community
2. Choice of setting
3. Right to be Treated Well
4. Independence
5. Choosing Services and Supports
6. Residential Agreement
7. Privacy
8. Schedule and Access to Food
9. Right to Visitors
10. Accessibility

* *Federal requirements 6-10 only apply to residential settings*

Annual Independent Audit Requirement

Welfare and Institution Code; Section 4652.5

(a)(1) An entity that receives payments from one or regional centers shall contract with an ***independent accounting firm*** to obtain an independent audit or independent review report of its financial statements relating to payments made by regional centers, subject to both of the following:

- **Independent Review**- If the amount received from the regional center or regional centers during the entity's fiscal year is more than or equal to five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), but less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000)
- **Independent Audit**- If the amount received from the regional center or regional centers during the entity's fiscal year is equal to or more than two million dollars (\$2,000,000)

Annual Independent Audit Requirement

Independent Review or Audit needs to be submitted to the regional center within nine (9) months of entity's fiscal year.

Service providers may request a two-year exemption, if the regional center does not find issues with the prior year's review or audit.

FY 2023-24 – List was received from DDS in March 2025

Status as of 2/2/2026

Required	154
Exempt	14
Submitted	106
Remaining	34

hrcaudits@harborrc.org

FY 2024-25 Coming Soon!

QIP Surveys

- The survey link was sent to the email address registered in the Provider Directory

- **Required Reporting Criteria**

Beginning on November 3, 2025, all eligible service providers will receive a hyperlink from the Department to an online survey at the email address they registered in the Provider Directory. Service providers must submit complete reporting by February 27, 2026.

From: QIP FY 26/27 Provider Capacity Survey Team <DDS-OQA@qualtrics-survey.com>
Subject: QIP FY 26/27 Provider Capacity Survey Invitation

- If you did not receive the survey link, send an email to: **QIPquestions@dds.ca.gov**

QIP Provider Capacity Measure FY 2026-27

Eligible Service providers will be asked to report on the following provider characteristics and aspects of workforce capacity:

- Service Access and Workforce Capacity – Service providers will submit information on several aspects of operation such as:
 - Staff data (i.e. turnover, wages, tenure, and benefits by job category)
 - Agency data (i.e. provider structure, language structure)

QIP Employment Measure

- Service Codes: 950 & 952
- Staff Training
 - Association of Community Rehabilitation Educators (ACRE)
 - Certification of Employment Service Professionals (CESP)
- Employment
 - Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE)
- Submit employment and staff data

QIP Prevention & Wellness Measure

- Residential Services

Service codes: 096, 113, 114, 163, 900, 901, 904, 905, 910, 915, & 920

- Review census data from the DDS

- Exam/screening data per resident

- Submit exam/screening data per resident

Important Deadlines

- **2/27/2026**
 - QIP Measure Surveys
- **2/27/2026**
 - EVV, if applicable
 - HCBS, if applicable
 - Independent Audit or Review, if applicable

Helpful Links:

- [Quality Incentive Program \(QIP\): CA Department of Developmental Services](#)
- [D-2025-Quality Incentive Program-015 Quality Incentive Program - Provider Eligibility to Earn Quality Incentive Rate for Fiscal Year 2026-27](#)
- [D-2025-Quality Incentive Program-015 Quality Incentive Program - Provider Eligibility to Earn Quality Incentive Rate for Fiscal Year 2026-27 Attachment B](#)
- [QIP Service Provider Checklist](#)
 - [QIP ProviderChecklist FY26-27](#)
- [ADDITIONAL CLARIFICATION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS IN SB 74, CHAPTER 9, STATUTES OF 2011](#)
- Any Questions?

Standardized Vendorization

Elizabeth Garcia-Moya, Director of Community Services



Standardized Vendorization

- **12/03/2025**-Soft launch of processing new vendorizations through the Provider Directory
 - Regional centers will post the rollout of the service codes on their websites
- **03/01/2026**-All new vendorizations must be completed in the Provider Directory
 - Excluded from the directory:
 - Self-Determination Program (SDP)
 - Emergency vendorization
 - Request for Proposals (RFP)

Harbor's Implementation Plan

Date of Implementation	Service Code
December 3, 2025	896; 056
January 15, 2026	744, 612, 613, 615, 616
February 15, 2026	116
March 1, 2026	Open to All Eligible Service Codes

Service Provider Announcements

Harbor Events

- 2/21/26- Lunar New Year Celebration
- 3/25/26- Purchase of Service Meeting (English)
- 3/26/26- Purchase of Service Meeting (Spanish)

SPAC Next meeting

April 7, 2026

