

**Harbor Regional Center
Service Provider Advisory Committee
Minutes: May 15, 2012**

Members Present: Rhiannon Acree, Cambrian Homecare; Harry Van Loon, Long Beach ARC; Kristine Engels, Life Steps Foundation; Nancy Langdon, Canyon Verde; Shelly Cohen, Independent Focus; Ronit Molko, AST; Mary Grace Lagasca, InJOY Life Resources; Sally Alvarez, Tanya San Roman, Carey Smith, Pride Industries; Anthony MacConnell, HCRS; Luigi Grimaldi, California Mentor.

HRC Staff Present: Patricia Del Monico, Executive Director; Colleen Mock, HRC Community Services Director; Barbara del Monico, HRC Resource Center Manager

Ms. Rhiannon Acree, Chair introduced two new Service Provider Advisory Committee members, Mr. Anthony MacConnell from HCRS and Mr. Luigi Grimaldi from California Mentor

Presentation of HRC Resource Center Service Provider Training Materials

Ms. Barbara del Monico reviewed the following training materials for both clients and service provider staff that is available for check out: diabetic cookbooks and DVDs on mental health diagnosis, germ presentation, how to work with clients who are wheelchair users and client sexuality.

May Revise Budget Update:

Ms. Patricia Del Monico provided a review of the May revise budget information that was released 5/14/15. The budget proposed is the same budget proposed in the January/12. It is proposed that half of the \$200 million will be met by proposed cuts and the second half by the tax initiative. There will be an additional \$50 million cut of the tax initiative does not pass.

The Governor's budget in January recommended the elimination of the 4.25% reduction on the service provider monthly billing, however, the May revise budget recommends the reduction be reduced to 1.25%.effective July 1, 2012. However, this is assuming that the legislature will agree with this proposal, that is estimated to save \$31 million from the general fund.

Ms. Del Monico also noted that regional centers will need to maximize federal funding and it is estimated that this will result in a savings of \$61 million.

There was a discussion about families accessing their private insurance for ABA autism services that is estimated to be a cost saving of \$79.8 million.

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Cash flow may be an upcoming concern and Ms. Del Monico again encouraged service providers to either obtain or maintain their lines of credit.

Harbor Regional Center Update

Ms. Colleen Mock announced that Mr. Michael Treddinick has left his current position as the Director of Childhood Services and is now working with LA County Department of Mental Health. Ms. Mock will announce the reorganization plan at the next Service Provider Advisory meeting

The next Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting: July 17, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.