

VMRC Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, June 26, 2024, 6:00 PM

Valley Mountain Regional Center, Stockton Office, Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference

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Meeting Book - VMRC Board of Directors Meeting

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Reading of the Mission Statement Dr. Suzanne Devitt The mission of Valley Mountain Regional Center (VMRC) is to support people with developmental disabilities as they enrich their lives through choices and inclusion. VMRC is committed to securing quality, individualized services in collaboration with families and the community.	
B. Review of the Meeting Agenda Dr. Suzanne Devitt	
C. Review and Approval of the Board of Directors Meeting minutes of 04/24/24 Dr. Suzanne Devitt	Action
D. Presentation - Performance Contract Draft Leinani Walter	Action
E. Public Comment Dr. Suzanne Devitt Each member of the public may have 3 minutes for comment. If an interpreter is needed, 6 minutes will be given. Public comment can address items on the agenda that have been properly noticed for action and/or items that are not on the agenda, however, items not on the agenda can not be responded to or discussed in the public board meeting because they are not properly noticed items (7 days advance notice).	
F. Consent Calendar Items Dr. Suzanne Devitt	Action
1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of May and June 2024	
2. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of May and June 2024	
3. Consumer Services Committee Meeting Minutes of May 2024	
G. Committee Reports	
 VMRC Professional Advisory Committee, Coalition of Local Agency Service Providers (CLASP) Liz Herrera Knapp 	
2. Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) Vivian Nicolas	
3. Consumer Advisory Council, Self-Advocacy Council Area 6 (SAC6) Crystal Enyeart	
4. Finance Committee Alicia Schott and Melissa Stiles	
a. Approval of Contract Status Report (CSR) for May and June 2024 Melissa Stiles	Action
 b. Approval of Contracts over \$250,000 for May and June 2024 brought forth as a motion from the Finance Committee Alicia Schott 	Action
5. Consumer Services Committee Jose Lara	

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1. VMRC Social Recreation and Camping Service Standard and VMRC Non-medical Therapies Service Standard Jason Toepel	Action
6. Legislative Committee Lynda Mendoza	
7. Bylaws Committee - Presentation of Proposed Changes to the Bylaws Lisa Utsey	Action
8. Nominating Committee - Presentation of Proposed New Board Members Margaret Heinz	Action
9. Popplewell Review Team Erria Kaalund	
H. Executive Director's Report Leinani Walter	
I. Other Matters Dr. Suzanne Devitt	
1. Board Meeting and Committee Meeting Schedules of the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year Dr. Suzanne Devitt	Action
J. Board Member Activities and Reports Dr. Suzanne Devitt	
K. President's Report Dr. Suzanne Devitt	
L. Next Meeting - Wednesday, August 28, 2024, 6:00 PM, Hybrid (In- person and via Zoom) Dr. Suzanne Devitt	
M. Adjournment Dr. Suzanne Devitt	

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Minutes for VMRC Board of Directors Meeting

04/24/2024 | 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM Valley Mountain Regional Center, Stockton Office, Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference

Board Members Present: Dr. Steve Russell, Margaret Heinz, Crystal Enyeart, Lisa Utsey, Jessica Quesada, Jeff Turner, Alicia Schott, Suzanne Devitt, Linda Collins, Jody Burriss, Jose Lara, Lynda Mendoza, Tom Toomey, Gabriella Castillo, Anthony Owens, Robert Balderama

Board Members Not Present: Liz Herrera Knapp (informed absence), Emily Grunder (informed absence), Dr Li, Brandy De Alba (Informed absence), Erria Kaalund (informed absence)

Public Present: Rachelle Munoz (Facilitator), Peter Johnson, Angela Lewis (Facilitator), Irene Hernandez (interpreter), Isela Bingham (interpreter), James Ford DDS, Vivian David-Nicolas, Dena Hernandez (SCDD), Kenneth Huntley, Maureen Fitzgerald, Michele, Quality Assured Training & Advocacy, Season Goodpasture, Susan's I Phone,

VMRC Staff Present: Doug Bonnet, Aaron McDonald, Leinani Walter, Tara Hester, Christine Couch, Brian Bennet, Gabriela Lopez, Emelia Vigil, Julie de Diego, Evelyn Solis, Melissa Stiles, Bud Mullanix, Angie Shear, Cindy Jimenez, Mat Threet, Melissa Oldeen, Claire Lazaro

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Reading of the Mission Statement

Dr. Suzanne Devitt called the meeting to order at 6:03pm. Doug Bonnet took roll. A Quorum was established. The board read the Mission Statement.

B. Review of the Meeting Agenda

The board reviewed the agenda with no recommended changes.

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C. Review and Approval of the Board of Directors Meeting minutes of 02/28/24

Lisa Utsey made a motion to approve the Board of Directors Meeting minutes of 02/28/2024. Anthony Owens seconded the motion. The Board of Directors Meeting minutes of 02/28/2024 were approved.

D. Presentation - Season Goodpasture, Executive Director of Acorns to Oak Trees on Native American Outreach and Best Practices on Eligibility, Assessments, and Service Delivery for Tribal Families

E. Public Comment

Kenneth Huntley shared that he receives services from VMRC. He was made aware that the SJTransit is possibly ending Van Go Services. He wants VMRC to let everyone know about the public meeting on May 6 and May 7 about the possible ending of the county-wide service.

Dena Hernandez, SCDD shared that she was so thrilled for Season's presentation. Season received an SCDD grant. She applauds VMRC for having her come to the area. She reminds us that Native American's rarely receive services. Thank you to VMRC for their support of the CHOICES conference on April 12. Thank you to Leinani for your opening remarks at the conference.

Tumboura Hill, Quality Assured Training and Advocacy shared that the presentation was awesome. He is here tonight because he has had some issues. He has attempted to address these issues verbally and it is not working. He just filed three 4731 complaints on 2 different case managers with Program Manager, Taylor Fehn. He is believing that she is violating 4646e of the Lanterman Act and it could be avoided if people would check the law before assuming he is wrong. He is running into walls with the same people and would like to see things changed.

F. Consent Calendar Items

- 1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of March and April 2024
- 2. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of March and April 2024
- 3. Consumer Services Committee Meeting Minutes of March 2024

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Lisa Utsey made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar Items. Crystal Enyeart seconded the motion. The Consent Calendar Items were approved unanimously.

G. Committee Reports

1. VMRC Professional Advisory Committee, Coalition of Local Agency Service Providers (CLASP) Liz Herrera Knapp reported:

Meetings Held:

3/25/24

4/22/24

- · Voted to purchase PO Box for CLASP
- · Voted to purchase Zoom license for CLASP
- Voted to increase Member Dues to \$35 from \$25 effective July 1st, which begins our new membership year.
- Currently have 92 Paid members
- \$21, 004.28 in the CLASP account
- No elections this year as we voted in a 2 year term cycle. Elections will be next year.
- Looking for interested members who would like to take over Consumer Services
 Committee CLASP Rep and Finance Committee CLASP Rep, which are appointed positions.
- Next Meeting May 20th, 2024 10am via TEAMS

2. Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC)

Vivian Nicolas shared there are 42 female and 71 male participants. 73 live in San Joaquin County, 32 in Stanislaus County, 7 in mountain counties and 1 out of our area, in Sacramento. This one in Sacramento has just moved and is currently shared case management between VMRC and ACRC.

From the statewide committee, there were updates shared regarding FMS.

Additional information will be available online on the SDP website.

Our local advisory committee agreed to provide an annual local Self Determination Conference, to include local vendors. The goal is to educate the community and potential providers of services.

3. Consumer Advisory Council, Self-Advocacy Council Area 6

(SAC6) Crystal Enyeart reported:

April 1st and 2nd Sac6 members attended Grassroots day and talked to legislators about the services that are important to them, and why the budget should not be cut.

April 3rd Sac6 Consultant Jessica attended the OAH Advisory Committee on zoom.

April 4th Sac 6 consultant Lisa joined VMRC and SCDD for the People Planning together road trip to share the word on Train the Trainers opportunities.

April 5th Sac6 had their monthly zoom chat. Jennifer Greenstreet from VMRC presented on Affordable housing.

April 8th, Sac6 Chairperson, and consultant Jessica attended the Supported Life Planning Committee meeting.

April 10th, Sac6 consultant Lisa U. attended the VMRC Finance Committee meeting followed by the VMRC Executive Committee meeting.

April 12, Sac 6 members attended the CHOICES conference, this was another year of success.

April 23rd Sac6 Secretary attended the DDS CAC emergency meeting on zoom.

April 24th Sac6 members worked the SAC6 table at the VMRC Transition Fair where we handed out information on self-advocacy.

4. Finance Committee

Alicia Schott and Melissa Stiles reviewed the Contract Status Report as of February 29, 2024. Overall in a good position.

a. Approval of Contract Status Report (CSR) for March and

April 2024 brought forth as a motion from the Finance

Committee. Lisa Utsey seconded the motion brought forth to approve the Contract Status Report for March and April 2024. The March and April 2024 Contract Status Report was approved.

b. Approval of Contracts over \$250,000 for March and April 2024 brought forth as a motion from the Finance Committee. Crystal Enyeart seconded the motion brought forth to approve the Contracts over \$250,000 for March and April 2024. The March and April 2024 Contracts over \$250,000 were approved.

5. Consumer Services Committee

Jose Lara and Suzanne Devitt shared that the service standards are tabled at this

time.

a. Approval of Social Recreation and Camp Services and Nonmedical Therapy Services Service Standards.

6. Legislative Committee

Lynda Mendoza asked Doug Bonnet to share about Grassroots Day. Doug shared about the day and the meetings we were scheduled with legislative representatives. It was the first in person meeting since 2019. Leinani Walter added that it was a wonderful experience.

Lynda said the next meeting will be in May.

7. Bylaws Committee

Lisa Utsey shared that they don't have a report because they haven't met. Doug Bonnet added that they will meet in May.

8. Nominating Committee

Margaret Heinz reported that this is an exciting time for the committee. They are receiving applications. She wants to use the information shared by Peter to inform the committee.

9. Popplewell Review Team

Erria Kaalund – no report. Doug Bonnet reported that there were no disbursements since the last meeting. The balance is +\$10,000.

H. Executive Director's Report

Leinani Walter reported that she has been here a couple of months. She is getting to know more staff. Today she attended the Transition Fair, an excellent example of bringing together resources, education and our team! The CHOICES conference is a collaborative event with SJCOE and many others, including over 35 VMRC staff helping people. These events are examples of the great collaboration with the community. We also hosted a Purchase of Service meeting in Spanish with over 60 attendees, partnering with Escuchen Mi Voz.

I. Other Matters

J. Board Member Activities and Reports

Margaret Heinz was thankful for the transition fair and encouraged the board members to attend in the future.

Alicia Schott reported she was able to give testimony and enjoyed it. She is doing more visits at facilities with Wanda from Community Services.

Gabriella Castillo shared that last night she attended a parent support group in Tuolumne County. There were 47 people in attendance. Evelyn Solis supported Gabriella and other members of the parent support group. Gabriella invited Leinani to the group for a listening session.

K. President's Report

1. Approval of Web, Intranet and Content Specialist, and IT Tech Job Description as brought forth by a motion from the Executive Committee. Lynda Mendoza seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

L. Next Meeting - Wednesday, June 26, 2024, 6:00 PM, Hybrid (Inperson and via Zoom)

M. Adjournment at 7:20pm

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Regional Center: <u>Valley Mountain Regional Center</u> Public Policy Performance Measures

Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome	
Performance Measures Related to Residence		
A. Number and percent of RC caseload in DC	 Monitor CPP activity progress with Resource Development and Case Management. Maintain After-Hours Response System services and provide ongoing training for vendors and staff. Collaborate with Behavioral Health Review Services to facilitate access to mental health services. Problem-Solving Team to meet at least once a month to address emerging consumer issues. Legal Services Review Team to meet at least once a month to address forensic consumer issues and consumers at-risk of re-arrest and/or developmental center placement. Perform regular psychotropic medication reviews for consumers exhibiting behaviors that put them at risk of placement in more restrictive settings. Continue collaborative work with local law enforcement and protective oversight agencies to provide education and training to support people in the criminal justice system. Continue development of new residential facilities serving adults with behavioral needs. Provide training for SCs to support individuals at "high risk" for higher level of care. Case Management Specialists to provide intense case management for people at highest risk for institutionalization. Continue to use Comprehensive Assessments to identify consumer community placement readiness. Continue to reduce DC placements from the current number of 9 individuals in DCs. 	
B. Number and percent of minors residing with families	 Provide family education and counseling through collaborative efforts with Family Resource Network, county Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, El Concilio, county SELPAs, Housing Authorities, and Managed Care Medi-Cal providers. Participation in county interagency meetings to address needs of children in our service area. Participation in Person-Centered Planning sessions to support developing meaningful IPPs. Meet and coordinate services with individual families and foster parents caring for minors. Work with county CPS and children's service agencies to support children living with their families. 	

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Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome	
	 Assess respite needs, daycare, personal assistance, and behavioral needs, as well as other supports to maintain children in the family home. Review assessment tools regularly. 	
	7. Promote independence by encouraging the use of Independent Living Services (ILS).	
	Provide nursing care/respite to families with medically fragile children. VMRC will pursue EPSDT funding for children who need these services.	
	9. Continue to co-sponsor annual Early Start Symposium and support VMRC staff attendance.	
	10. Refer siblings of consumers to Sib Shops and encourage families to access the Family Navigator services through Family Resource Network.	
	11. Offer environmental assessments and appropriate mobility equipment to enable consumers to live in their family home. VMRC increased vendors providing environmental assessments to reduce wait tie periods for individuals and families.	
	12. Offer child/adolescent psychiatric services for consumers not served by Behavioral Health.	
	 Offer group Parent Behavioral Training classes and Behavioral Instructional Services in English and Spanish to support multilingual education. 	
	14. Increase wrap-around services for children living with families, using a combination of behavioral	
	assessments, consumer and parent training in the home to reduce behaviors and address sexual boundary awareness for adolescents.	
	15. VMRC clinical staff will develop procedures and work with service coordinators to secure behavioral	
	services. Private insurance, and managed care Medi-Cal will be utilized first. VMRC will continue to provide crisis behavioral intervention as needed.	
	16. Identify consumers who may have housing insecurities to provide necessary resources and work collaboratively with county social service agencies.	
	17. Continue to incorporate emergency preparedness into planning team discussions. Implement Everbridge Notification system for information and follow up.	
	18. Assist consumers and families to trasnsitioning to the Self Determination Program by offering information about orientations provided by SCDD and continuing an awareness campaign.	

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Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome
C. Number and percent of adults residing in independent living	 Hire Housing Specialist to assess, develop and support affordable housing options. Offer Self-Advocacy support for consumers to assist in voicing their choices and opinions. Participation in Person-Centered Planning to develop meaningful IPPs. Continue to offer environmental assessments and appropriate mobility equipment to enable consumers to live independently. Offer automated calling for emergency notification through Everbridge. Maintain quality services by ensuring ILS/SLS providers have expectations aligned with the individual's IPP. Ensure use of generic resources (e.g. CalFresh, CalAble, IHSS and Behavioral Health). Use of public transportation and mobility training to optimize independence. Continue to incorporate emergency preparedness into IPP discussions and objectives. Implement Everbridge Notification system for information and follow up, as needed. Assist consumers and families when transitioning to the Self Determination Program through an awareness campaign and monthly orientations offered by SCDD.
D. Number and percent of adults residing in supported living	 Survey service coordinators to determine housing needs, host focus groups to review survey results and create a plan with community partners to develop affordable and/or alternative housing choices for people choosing to live independently. Provide training for all direct support staff to better serve consumers receiving SLS. Continue involvement in annual informational seminar to discuss current trends and best practices for SLS providers to improve services for consumers. Offer Self-Advocacy training and support to access living arrangement of choice. Participate in Person-Centered Planning to assistance in developing meaningful IPPs. Maintain quality services by ensuring SLS providers have clear objectives and expectations as reflected in the IPP and Individual Service Plan (ISP). Develop plans to assist in roommate identification to increase affordability and positive profile matches. Incorporate emergency preparedness into planning team discussion and resultant objectives. Encourage completion of Health Passport information. Implement Everbridge Notification system for information and follow up, as needed. Assist consumers and families to transition to the Self Determination Program.

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Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome
	1. Work with Adult FHAs to develop new family home options to serve adults with behavioral challenges.
	2. Complete vendorization of new Adult Family Home Agency by September of 2024.
	3. Increase the percentage of consumer parents retaining parental rights by assisting in AFHA supported
	services (e.g. Utilize the 637 Waiver to allow adult consumers with children to be placed in Adult Foster
E. Number and percent of	Family Homes together).
adults residing in Adult Family	4. Participation in Person-Centered Planning and assist in developing meaningful IPPs.
Home Agency homes	5. Encourage completion of Health Passport information.
	6. Incorporate emergency preparedness into planning team discussions and objectives.
	7. Implement Everbridge Notification system for information and follow up, as needed.
	8. Assist consumers and families when transitioning to the Self Determination Program through the
	awareness campaign and monthly orientations offered by SCDD
	1. Provide support services to families caring for adult family members in the family home.
	2. Encourage the use of Coordinated Family Support Services to wrap around the family and support adults
	who live with their families.
	3. Encourage the use of Independent Living Services (ILS) to promote individual independence.
	4. Participation in Person-Centered Planning sessions and assistance in developing meaningful IPPs.
	5. Work with county agencies to support adult consumers living with families during times of crisis.
	Develop behavioral management program services to adults in the foothill counties to support them to live at home with their families, or to remain in their care homes.
F. Number and percent of	Continue to develop wrap-around services for adult consumers residing in family homes which will include those with behavioral and medical concerns.
adults residing in family homes	8. Provide nursing respite (LVN staff) through home health agencies for consumers who are medically
(home of parent or guardian)	fragile, pending availability. Assistance with NF Waiver applications to occur as long wait list exists.
	9. Educate local hospitals of potential consumer behaviors and potential issues.
	10. Encourage completion of Health Passport information.
	11. Provide current information to consumers and families about available generic/community resources.
	12. Review and monitor support needs to include ILS in the family home to support independent living skills.
	13. Self-Advocacy resources and pertinent community agency collaboration will be utilized to develop improved process for residential transition.
	14. Continue to provide environmental assessments and modifications/equipment for consumers with mobility issues who reside in family homes.

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Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome	
	 15. VMRC clinical staff will develop procedures and work with service coordinators to secure behavioral services needed by all consumers. Private insurance and Medi-Cal Managed Care will be utilized first. SCs will help guide consumers and families. VMRC will continue to provide crisis behavioral intervention as needed. 16. Continue to provide training to staff on Supported Decision Making and Advanced Care Planning for End-of-Life transitions. VMRC collaborated with Coalition for Compassionate Care of California to provide training for consumers, families and residential care providers. 17. Incorporate Advanced Health Care/End of Life Planning in IPP goals, as well as emergency preparedness into planning team discussion and resultant objectives. VMRC has a DNR/DNI indicated in SANDIS for tracking care decisions accurately. 18. Implement Everbridge Notification system for information and follow up, as needed 19. Assist consumers and families when transitioning to the Self Determination Program through the awareness campaign and monthly orientations offered by SCDD 20. Develop culturally competent services. 	
G. Number and percent of minors living in facilities serving > 6	 Continue existing policy of vendoring residential facilities serving six or fewer persons. Develop policy for new children's residential services to serve no more than four (4) persons. Facilitate development of small residential options at ongoing provider orientations and other classes. Develop housing model options per the VMRC Strategic Plan for children. Continue to develop residential homes for children. Scheduled individualized meetings with parents, advocates, community service agencies, and residential providers to develop better mechanisms for smooth transitioning to different living situations. Continuance of the agency Residential Screening Committee meeting twice weekly and/or as needed to ensure appropriate placements. 	
H. Number and percent of adults living in facilities serving > 6	 Develop housing model options for adult consumers, as needed. Continue existing policy of vendoring residential facilities serving six or fewer persons. 	

Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome	
	 Develop policy for all new adult residential development to be four (4) beds maximum and advocate for VMRC Board approval. Encourage development of small residential options at provider orientation and other classes. Continue implementation of the agency Residential Screening Committee to ensure appropriate placements. Promote the development of supported living situations for consumers as an alternative to licensed living arrangements. Continue implementation of Resource Development plan using Needs Assessment process. Continue to monitor the approved large facilities to maintain "home-like environments". 	
Performance Measures Related to Reducing Disparities and Improving Equity in Purchase of Services (POS) Expenditures		
 Percent of total annual POS expenditures by individual's ethnicity and age: Birth to age two, inclusive. Age three to 21, inclusive. Twenty-two and older. 	 Prior fiscal year (FY) purchase of service data and Client Master File (CMF) will be generated to measure progress in reducing disparities and improving equity in purchase of service expenditures. VMRC will seek methods to help better analyze POS expenditure data in an effort to better understand our underserved population's needs. Hire a Cultural Specialist Manager to lead equity and culturally competent outreach efforts within community. Hire Outreach and Engagement Coordinator to support equity efforts to connect with diverse communities and partner with community-based organizations to reach marginalized and underserved populations. Work with community agencies to increase awareness of regional center services for diverse populations served. Work with service providers to identify support needs and develop bilingual resources and services to improve access to all cultural, ethnic, and language specific groups. Provide culturally diverse volunteer opportunities for community members. Additional respite will be offered to parents attending informational meetings. Provide informational trainings pertaining to cultural understanding. Case distribution will occur for bilingual staff to carry monolingual cases in an effort to further breakdown communication barriers. 	

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Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome	
	 Continue to provide Enhanced Case Management to people and their families, with low to no POS expenditures, to increase knowledge of and access to regional center services and supports. Hire Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialist to support people who are deaf and their families, and case management, to increase knowledge of and access to regional center services and supports with language accessible resources. 	
J. Number and percent of individuals receiving only case management services by age and ethnicity	 Prior FY Purchase of service data and RC caseload data VMRC will work in partnership with local parent and community organizations such as (Catholic Charities, Apsara, Lao Family Community Empowerment, SACAAR, Southeast Asian Agency, LGBTQ+, ICC, Special Needs Connection, La Familia, Modesto Collaborative, Families First, and Family Resource Network) to develop information and training. Conduct outreach and engagement in a culturally competent manner and work with community agencies to increase awareness of regional center services for diverse populations served. Ongoing parent training, orientation and informational sessions in participants' native language, when possible, and with interpretation at mutually agreed upon sites in the community. Respite hours will be offered for parents to participate in informational meetings. Review quality of documents translated by professional translation services. To the extent possible, case distribution will occur for bilingual staff to carry monolingual cases to further reduce communication barriers. 	
Public Policy Performance Measures Related to Employment		
K. Number and percentage of consumers, ages 16-64 with earned income.	 Utilize Employment Development Department (EDD) data provided by DDS. Review changes in number and percentage of consumers ages 16-64 with earned income as reported to EDD. Continue to collaborate with EDD, DOE, WorkNet, and DOR through our Local Partnership Agreements. Finalize and implement strategy to transition WAPs to viable employment skills training programs with CIE goals. 	

Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome
L. Average annual wages for consumers ages 16-64.	 EDD data, provided by DDS, and VMRC data to review/analyzeaverage annual wages as reported to EDD for consumers ages 16-64. Continue to collaborate with EDD, DOE, WorkNet, and DOR through our Local Partnership Agreements.
M. Annual earnings of consumers ages 16-64 compared to people with all disabilities in CA.	 Utilize EDD data provided by DDS to analyze consumer wage data compared to people with all disabilities as reported to EDD. Continue to collaborate with EDD and DOR through our Local Partnership Agreements.
N. Number of adults who were placed in competitive, integrated employment following participation in a Paid Internship Program.	 Data collected manually from service providers by regional centers. Collaborate with employers and vendors to develop new and additional internship programs with the goal of CIE Placement. Focus on employer/vendor partnerships to increase PIP development and promote the supports that VMRC and vendors can provide for an internship program to an employer. Additional trainings for vendors and staff on internship benefits and implementation. Use incentive money to target jobs based on consumer interest.
O. Percentage of adults who were placed in competitive, integrated employment following participation in a Paid Internship Program.	 Data collected from service providers indicate the number of people in CIE is <u>85 as of March 1, 2024</u>. Collaborate with vendors to develop new or enhance existing paths of employment opportunities to CIE from Internship placements with employers. Promote and support employer-vendor partnerships to increase job development and job coaching to facilitate CIE Placements.
P. Average hourly or salaried wages and hours worked per week for adults who participated in a Paid Internship Program during the prior fiscal year.	 Data collected manually from service providers by regional centers. Target development of Internship Programs that offer more than minimum wage rates.

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Measure	Activities Regional Center will Employ to Achieve Outcome
Q. Average wages and hours worked for adults engaged in competitive, integrated employment, on behalf of whom Incentive payments have been made.	 Data collected manually from service providers by regional centers. Increase the percent of adults, age 22 and above, who are working in Supported Employment/Competitive Employment. Utilize CDER personal outcomes data and refine the definition of each Day Program Types (DAYP) in SANDIS and continue to update annually. Continue coordinated trainings for staff and vendors that pertains to Employment First and WIOA concepts and concerns with impact of income to SSI to encourage job exploration.
R. Total number of \$1000, \$1250 and \$1500 incentive payments made for the fiscal ye	 Data collected manually from service providers by regional centers. Develop new, or enhance existing employment opportunities with employers for job placement and job coaching. Facilitate employer-vendor partnerships to increase CIE placements. Develop additional Internship Programs with employers. Increase vendor participation with the goal of CIE Placement. Develop Local Partnership Agreement model and establish agreement.

Compliance Measures

Measure	Measurement Methodology
Unqualified independent audit with no material finding(s)	Yes — based on regional center independent audit findings
Substantial compliance with DDS fiscal audit	Yes — based on DDS internal document criteria
Accuracy percent of POS fiscal projections (based on February SOAR)	Actual expenditures plus late bills as of 1/03 do not exceed 10% of the high end of the range or fall below 10% of the low end of the range reported in 2/02, with stipulations and exceptions noted in July 17, 2001, ARCA Administrators' memo. Year two recommendations contained in July 17, 2001, ARCA Administrators' memo, agreement Number 8.
Operates within OPS budget	Yes — actual expenditures plus late bills do not exceed OPS budget.
Certified to participate in Waiver	Yes/No — based on most recent waiver monitoring report
Compliance with Vendor Audit Requirements per contract, Article III, Section 10	Yes — based on documentation regional center forwards to DDS
CDER/ESR Currency	Status codes 1 and 2 on CMF with current CDER or ESR
Intake/assessment and IFSP timelines (0-2).	Early Start Report
Intake/assessment timelines for consumers ages 3 and above	CMF—calculated by subtracting the status date from the CMF date
IPP Development (WIC requirements)	Biennial DDS review per Welf. & Inst. Code section 4646.5(c)(3)

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Measure	Measurement Methodology
IFSP Development (Title 17 requirements)	Early Start Report

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Minutes for VMRC Finance Committee Meeting

05/08/2024 | 05:30 PM - 06:30 PM Valley Mountain Regional Center, Stockton Office, Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference

Committee Members Present: Lisa Utsey, Alicia Schott, Margaret Heinz, Connie Uychutin, Jose Lara, and Linda Collins

Committee Members Not Present: Suzanne Devitt informed absence

VMRC Staff Present: Gabriela Lopez, Aaron McDonald, Doug Bonnet, Evelyn Solis, Christine Couch, Melissa Stiles, Corina Ramirez, Tara Sisemore-Hester

Public Present: Lynda Mendoza, Rachelle Munoz, Irene Hernandez, Isela Bingham, Maureen Fitzgerald

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Review of Meeting Agenda

Alicia Schott called the meeting to order at 5:35pm. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was established. The Meeting Agenda was reviewed.

B. Review and Approval of the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2024

Lisa Utsey made a motion to approve the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2024. Connie Uychutin seconded the motion. The Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2024 were approved.

C. Public Comment

n/a

D. Approval of Contracts over \$250,000

Corina Ramirez reviewed the Contracts over \$250,000 that expire 6/30/2024. Margaret Heinz made a motion to recommend to the Board of Directors to approve the contracts presented. Linda Collins seconded the motion. Connie Uychutin abstained. The motion to recommend to the Board of Directors to approve the Contracts over \$250,000 was approved.

E. Fiscal Department Update

Melissa Stiles shared the Fiscal Department Update:

Reference to the following VMRC Fiscal Monthly Report:

- 1. March 31, 2024 Contract Status (good standing)
- 2. March 31, 2024 POS Expenditures (7% under due to E2)
- 3. April 18, 2024 Operations Expenditures (4% under)

1. Contract Status

• Current year we are in a good state with 4% extra than we typically have at the end of Fiscal Year

• We will ensure VMRC utilizes all allocated funding and also that we do not overspend----always have a reserve Linda Collins made a motion to approve the Contract Status report. Connie Uychutin seconded the motion. The Contract Status report passed unanimously.

2. POS Expenditure Highlights

• Community Care Facilities (CCF) – rate increases have increased over all expenditures +\$12.5M

- Intermediate Care Facilities (ICF) "Lag loans" to be \$550K to be reimbursed once federal is in place
- Day Program increased +\$8M increase as programs are now open

• Supported Living – increase \$6M as people increase inhome service

• Personal Assistance – increased \$6M due to higher rate and increased knowledge service types

• Respite – In-Home increased by \$9M as families are more comfortable with respite providers in the home post covid

- Day Program serving 1,322 more people than we served last year
- Supported Living 275
- Personal Assistant 1,981
- Respite 5,776
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3. Operations Expenditures Highlights

- Hiring has increased significantly 15+ new hires
- VMRC is in good shape with regard to operations expenses through the end of the fiscal year
- F. Next Meeting Wednesday, June 12, 2024, 5:30 PM Hybrid (Stockton Office Cohen Board Room and Via Zoom Video Conference)
- G. Adjournment at 5:53pm

Minutes for VMRC Finance Committee Meeting

06/12/2024 | 05:30 PM - 06:30 PM Valley Mountain Regional Center, Stockton Office, Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference

Committee Members Present: Linda Collins, Lisa Utsey, Alicia Schott, Suzanne Devitt, Connie Uychutin

Committee Members Not Present: Jose Lara (informed absence), Margaret Heinz (informed absence)

VMRC Staff Present: Doug Bonnet, Evelyn Solis, Aaron McDonald, Melissa Stiles, Corina Ramirez, Angie Shear

Public Present: Irene Hernanez (interpreter), Isela Bingham (interpreter), Rachelle Munoz (facilitator), Tumboura Hill, Angie Noia, Jessie Kennedy

Alicia Schott called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Review of Meeting Agenda

Doug Bonnet took roll and established a quorum. There were no proposed changes to the meeting agenda.

B. Review and Approval of the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2024

Linda Collins made a motion to approve the minutes of May 8, 2024. Lisa Utsey seconded the motion. The Finance Committee Meeting Minutes were approved unanimously.

C. Public Comment

Tumboura Hill – I have some questions, and I'm approaching the board in the spirit of earnest communication and a space of grace, but I do have some questions. The questions are as follows:

- 1. How are vendor contracts monitored?
- 2. Who is the point of contact for each of the vendors providing these services?
- 3. Did any of these vendors have any overpayments in the last year?
- 4. Were those over payments returned?
- 5. Do any of these vendors have ongoing issues?
- 6. Have any of these vendors been cited or placed on sanctions in the past year?
- 7. Are all these vendors HCBS and Final Rule compliant?
- 8. Are the consumers using these services appropriately placed?
- 9. Did consumers using these services make informed choices to select these services?
- 10. Are there any consumer satisfaction surveys conducted?
- 11. How many Community Services Liaisons does VMRC have to provide oversight for 2271 vendors?
- 12. Aggregate total contract amounts for committee review are \$31,823,580.00

This is a lot of money to approve. How do we make these determinations?

D. Approval of Contracts over \$250,000

Corina Ramirez presented the Contracts over \$250,000 and answered any questions that the committee members had. Linda Collins made a motion to approve the Contracts over \$250,000. Lisa Utsey seconded the motion. Connie Uychutin abstained. The Contracts over \$250,000 were approved unanimously.

R&D was not present to present on their single contract. We will move that contract to the board meeting for presentation on 06/26/24.

E. Fiscal Department Update

Melissa Stiles presented the Contract Status Report to the committee and answered any questions that they had. Suzanne Devitt made a motion to approve the Contract Status Report. Connie Uychutin abstained. The Contract Status Report was approved unanimously.

Melissa Stiles reviewed the Purchase of Services (POS) and Operations (OPS) expenditures and answered any questions that the committee members had.

F. Next Meeting - Wednesday, July 10, 2024, 5:30 PM Hybrid (Stockton Office Cohen Board Room and Via Zoom Video Conference)

G. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM.



Minutes for VMRC Executive Committee Meeting

05/08/2024 | 06:30 PM - 07:30 PM Valley Mountain Regional Center, Stockton Office, Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference

Committee Members Present: Lisa Utsey, Margaret Heinz, Lynda Mendoza, Alicia Schott, Jose Lara

Committee Members Not Present: Suzanne Devitt and Brandy deAlba informed absences

VMRC Staff Present: Gabriela Lopez, Aaron McDonald, Doug Bonnet, Christine Couch, Leinani Walter, Tara Sisemore Hester, Brian Bennett

Public Present: Rachelle Gomez, Maureen Fitzgerald, Irene Hernandez, Isela Bingham

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Review of Meeting Agenda

Margaret Heinz called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. A quorum was established. The agenda was reviewed with no changes.

B. Review and Approval of the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2024

Lynda Mendoza made the motion to approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2024 and Jose Lara seconded the motion. The Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of April 10,2024 were approved unanimously.

C. Public Comment

n/a

D. Items for Approval

E. Items for Discussion

1. Executive Director's report:

I am always hopeful that April showers are bringing May flowers – I think our community-connecting work in April is bringing forth new opportunities for expanding Native American community engagement and Hispanic Community connections in our foothills. I am thankful for new learning and listening opportunities!

• Calaveras Interagency Leadership Team (ILT) Meeting April 17 – appreciated meeting with our county partners and working together to find ways to support our foster-youth in meaningful ways. I appreciate Libby Contreras' leadership in the last few years supporting and coordinating VMRC efforts with AB2083.

• Spanish POS Meeting – Hosted in partnership with Escuchen Mi Voz – April 18th – grateful for the leadership of Mariza Ochoa, Director of Escuchen Mi Voz with helping VMRC to coordinate and support an amazing group of parents, self-advocates and caregivers to participate in our POS Meeting in Spanish.

Listening Session with Integrated Community Collaborative, ICC – June 4

- Partnering with Acorns to Oak Trees to Host the Native American Outreach event on May 21, 2024
 - Looking forward to building a relationships with Tuolumne Band of Miwuk

• Implicit Bias Training June Equitify – June 18th – VMRC is actively planning our Program Managers Meeting with Equitify /DDS Contractor – Bay Area based firm with expertise in this space and a training developed with regional center services as the focus.

- 2. Notable Consumer Information
 - a. Tara Sisemore Hester shared that we were able to place the young lady from the hospital into a licensed care home with additional supports. She is doing well.
 - b. Christine Couch shared that the team met a Mom and young adult who needed a wheelchair assessment at the April 18 public meeting. Our Benefits Counselor was able to find a loaner chair through a community resource, while the service coordinator works with clinical to have her assessed for a new chair.

- 3. Vendor Information Brian Bennett shared that he continues to work on the Direct Support Program (DSP) stipend program with DDS. He is also working on the DSP Internship Program. They are also working on the standard provider portal for vendor applications and processes to be uniform across all regional centers. The Quality Assurance Team participated in investigations training and the team passed the exam. They are working with Human Resources staff on the learning management system to explore ways to use for vendor training.
- 4. Self-Determination Update, Christine Couch shared that as of May 8, 2024 we have 114 people in the self determination program.
- 5. Other Matters none
- Personnel and Union Update, Doug Bonnet shared Bud Mullanix's report. There are 543 employees, with 2 voluntary terminations in April. They have a scheduled labor/management meeting for May. They are preparing for contract negotiations. There was a successful Bring Your Child to Work Day in the Modesto and Stockton offices.

F. President's Report

n/a

- G. Next Meeting Wednesday, June 12, 2024, 6:30 PM, Hybrid (Stockton Office Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference)
- H. Adjournment at 6:50pm

Minutes for VMRC Executive Committee Meeting

06/12/2024 | 06:30 PM - 07:30 PM Valley Mountain Regional Center, Stockton Office, Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference

Committee Members Present: Suzanne Devitt, Alicia Schott, Lynda Mendoza, Lisa Utsey

Committee Members Not Present: Jose Lara (informed absence), Margaret Heinz (informed absence)

VMRC Staff Present: Doug Bonnet, Evelyn Solis, Aaron McDonald, Angie Shear

Public Present: Irene Hernandez (interpreter), Isela Bingham (interpreter), Rachelle Munoz (facilitator), Tumboura Hill, Angie Noia, Jessie Kennedy

Suzanne Devitt called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Review of Meeting Agenda

Doug Bonnet took roll and established a quorum. No changes were made to the meeting agenda.

B. Review and Approval of the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2024

Lynda Mendoza made a motion to approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2024. Alicia Schott seconded the motion. The Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2024, were approved unanimously.

C. Public Comment

Tumboura Hill – Good evening. I spoke earlier and I have the vendors that VMRC currently has. It is 2271 vendors. The concern that I have is that there are only 3 vendored

Independent Facilitators. They aren't vendoring enough to expand the Self-Determination program. That's a far cry for what we need to help expand and grow the program. Thank you.

D. Items for Approval

None.

E. Items for Discussion

Doug Bonnet shared this report for Leinani Walter, Executive Director, who was not in attendance.

- May 10th Acorns to Oak Trees in Tuolumne Band of Mission Indians Reservation was amazing with leaders from the Tribe, Social Servies, VMRC Intake/Childrens/Adults/Enhanced and Emergency Services in attendance and supporting the wonderful clinical work of Acorns Staff. *Doug-feel free to share more about how this event will be just the beginning of our work with Tribal Families.
- 2. June 4th RONDA hosted in partnership with VMRC & ICC was very successful with over 80+ combined families and VMRC management in attendance. Share that we had a family cater the delicious meal, ICC brought traditional dancers and decorations provided by both VMRC and ICC parents. Also note that I facilitated a meaningful listening session about language access. Self-Advocates and families shared creative ideas about how VMRC can connect with and serve our Hispanic families better.
- June 5th Master Plan for Developmental Disabilities Leinani attended in Sacramento; connected with community partners, state agencies, service providers, ARCA and DDS staff. Good meeting with meaning conversations and Leinani attended the discussion about language access and making sure services and resources (and in SDP) are reflective of the needs of the families served.
- 4. Deaf and hard of Hearing Specialist -- Staff person hired and will begin in late June.
- NASDDDS Conference 12-14th focused on HCBS Christine & Brian attending with Leinani and many other Regional Center Directors and Management Staff. More to report next month on the connections made!

Tara Sisemore Hester reported a child in Turlock was missing. She has a history of elopement. She was found safe. The SC followed up with grandmother to see if there were any additional supports that can support the client.

Doug reported that our Emergency Response Coordinator was monitoring the Tracy fire last week. We did not have any families that were served in the evacuation order zone. Aaron McDonald monitored this throughout the weekend.

Bud Mullanix – We are now at 550 employees and still growing. We're probably growing from 8-10 employees per month.

With the union we are prepping for the Union contract that expires in December. Setting up meetings with the union.

Our major focus is on recruiting, retention, and training as we continue to grow. We've had a harder time getting people interested in the Tracy office than we anticipated. We are getting good resumes, but the people don't have degrees.

For retention, we need to keep them. The first 9 months is the introductory period. It's a pretty long training period. Trying to put more focus on onboarding and new hire orientation as well as training.

Suzanne asked Bud how our salaries are in comparison to other RC's. Bud said that he is constantly monitoring it and we are competitive. We are below some big RC's, but we are above some similar sized centers.

F. President's Report

Suzanne Devitt – Not much. We do have 1 more board meeting on June 26. We also had 1 resignation, our VP Brandy de Alba resigned.

Doug added that we are likely to have the annual board dinner on Wednesday, July 31, at Papapavlos in Stockton. There will be 6 board meetings in the new fiscal year. Finance and Executive Committees also next year will meet every other month instead of every month.

G. Next Meeting - Wednesday, July 10, 2024, 6:30 PM, Hybrid (Stockton Office Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference)

H. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

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Minutes for VMRC Consumer Services Committee Meeting

05/01/2024 | 05:00 PM - 07:00 PM Valley Mountain Regional Center, Stockton Office, Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference

Committee Members Present: Crystal Enyeart, Jose Lara, Lisa Utsey, Margaret Heinz, Daime Hoornaert, Anthony Owens, Erria Kaalund

Committee Members Not Present: Sarah Howard, Liz Knapp, Dora Contreras

Public Present: Jessica Quesada, Irene Hernandez (interpreter), Isela Bingham (interpreter), Anel Renteria (R&D)

VMRC Staff Present: Tara Sisemore Hester, Leinani Walter, Doug Bonnet, Evelyn Solis, Christine Couch, Aaron McDonald, Katina Richison, Jason Toepel, Angelique Shear, Libby Contreras, Claire Lazaro

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Review of Meeting Agenda

Jose Lara chaired the meeting tonight and called the meeting to order at 5:03pm. Doug Bonnet took roll. We have a quorum.

B. Review and Approval of the Consumer Services Committee Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2024

Lisa Utsey made a motion to approve the Consumer Services Committee Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2024. Margaret Heinz seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

C. Presentation – n/a

D. Public Comment

Tumboura Hill shared that he wanted to give some background. He worked for the regional center for a number of years. There was a period of time with vendor oversight problems. He filed a whistleblower complaint. He sold his home and funded Quality Assured Training and Advocacy. He is not disgruntled. He knows what the work does for people and the impact that he can have on people. Kudos to Robert and team for vendoring Dino's.

E. Intake, Early Start, and Case Management Update

Tara Sisemore Hester, Director of Case Management services, shared the intake data for January thru March 2024. The Early Start Symposium will be held in Berkeley. Christine Couch, Director of Case Management services, shared the POS Exceptions Report for February and March 2024 and answered questions. She also shared the Consumer File Transfer Report.

F. Self-Advocacy Council Area 6 (SAC6) Update

Crystal Sac 6 report to VMRC Consumer Services, May 2024

On April 1st and 2nd Sac6 members attended Grassroots day and talked to legislators about the services that are important to them, and why the budget should not be cut.

April 3rd Sac6 Consultant Jessica attended the OAH Advisory Committee on zoom.

April 4th Sac 6 consultant Lisa joined VMRC and SCDD for the People Planning together road trip to share the word on Train the Trainers opportunities.

April 5th Sac6 had their monthly zoom chat. Jennifer Greenstreet from VMRC presented on Affordable housing.

April 8th, Sac6 Chairperson, and consultant Jessica attended the Supported Life Planning Committee meeting.

April 10th, Sac6 consultant Lisa U. attended the VMRC Finance Committee meeting followed by the VMRC Executive Committee meeting.

April 12, Sac 6 members attended the CHOICES conference, this was another year of success.

April 23rd Sac6 Secretary attended the DDS CAC emergency meeting on zoom.

April 24th Sac6 members worked the SAC6 table at the VMRC Transition Fair where we handed out information on self-advocacy.

April 25th Sac6 worked with Clients Rights and SCDD office to give a Clients Rights Bingo at Howard Prep.

April 26th Sac6 members worked the Sac6 table at the Modesto Transition fair.

G. Resource Development Update

Katina Richison, Division Manager of Quality Assurance shared an update from Robert Fernandez.

- EBSH Childrens Home (Atlantis Home) in Stanislaus County, is on schedule to be open in the 3rd quarter
- EBSH All female adult home (BridgeToCare) in San Joaquin County is moving forward with minor renovations and is scheduled to open in the 4th quarter
- Specialized Residential Facility Childrens home (Underwood Home) in San Joaquin county is awaiting renovation permits to be approved by SJ County. Scheduled for 1st quarter of 2025 for opening
- Specialized Day Program in Stanislaus County to serve behavioral individuals is being developed by Vartan Hekimian, scheduled for 2 quarter of 2025 for opening
- Specialized Day Program in Stanislaus County to serve medically fragile individuals is being developed by EDEA Integrity, scheduled for 2 quarter of 2025 for opening

H. Quality Assurance Update

Katina Richison shared the alert report. Quality Assurance is in the process of interviewing for a second HCBS CSL position tomorrow. We are also interviewing for a Federal Programs Specialist position to backfill Megan Wilson's position as she was promoted to Senior Federal Programs Specialist.

I. Transportation Update

Anel Renteria, R&D Transportation reported that they continue to work on reducing long ride times and meeting pick up and arrival times that better meet the needs of the individuals. If you have any concerns, please contact Customer Service 1-888-695-8848. Anel answered questions from the committee.

J. Fair Hearing Update

Jason Toepel VMRC Compliance Manager, presented the Fair Hearing report.

K. Coalition of Local Agency Service Providers (CLASP) Update

Daime Hoornaert, CLASP, reported that they have purchased a zoom account and a PO box. They increased the membership fee from \$25 to \$35 beginning in July. They are recruiting new members. The day program workgroup meets regularly. They are discussing the transportation issues being experienced which include transportation arriving an hour before program opens as well as an hour after the program closes. There are concerns about staffing issues for Direct Support Professionals. Many vendors attended the transition fairs in Stockton and Modesto. The next meeting is June 12.

L. Clinical Update

Claire Lazaro, Director of Clinical Services, reported on the Dental Clinic and its focus on desensitization. The Modesto in person positive parenting class will begin soon. They continue to collaborate with the hospitals in the counties served by VMRC.

M. Next Meeting - Wednesday, June 5, 2024, 5:00 PM, Hybrid (In-Person and via Zoom Video Conference)

N. Adjournment at 5:40pm

Valley Mountain Regional Center Contract Status AS OF: March 31, 2024

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	OPS	Grant & Other Allocated Funds	Wellness Grant	POS including Federal C	General Total	OPS CPP	START	POS CPP	FG/SC Total
Current FY 2024 Contract Year E-2 Spent to Date Unspent	56,152,949 41,528,631 14,624,318			413,167,983 282,749,272 130,418,711	469,320,932 324,277,904 145,043,029	490,914 6,838 484,077		848,855 - 848,855	578,369 391,150 187,219
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Valley Mountain Regional Center Contract Status AS OF: April 30, 2024

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Contract Summary and Board Resolution

Valley Mountain Regional Center's Board of Directors reviewed the contracts below and passed the following resolution:

<u>RESOLVED THAT</u> in compliance with VMRC's BOD Contract Policy, the contracts listed below between VMRC and stated vendors were reviewed and approved by the VMRC BOD in Stockton, CA and Board hereby authorized any Officer of the corporation to execute the Agreement without material changes but otherwise on such terms deemed satisfactory to such Officer.

1 Beyond Behavior California, LLC, PV3035 048	\$ 840,000
2 Bright Futures 1, HV0427 113	\$ 1,115,219
3 Bright Futures 3, HV0498 113	\$ 1,027,792
4 Khan Guest Home LLC, HV0448 113	\$ 847,522
5 Lifeworks-ACS, PV0526 116	\$ 875,522
6 Lifeworks-ACS, P22560 773	\$ 342,506
7 Shadman House, PV1763 109	\$ 312,000
8 Shadman House, HV0472 113	\$ 936,000
9 STEPS Home Omelagah Inc., HV0446 113	\$ 886,916

VMRC Board of Directors hereby authorizes and designates any office of VMRC to finalize, execute and deliver the Contract on behalf of VMRC, in such form as VMRC's counsel may advise, and on such further terms and conditions as such Officer may approve. The final terms of the Contract shall be conclusively evidence by the execution of the Contract by such Officer. For purposes of this authorization, and "Officer" means VMRC's Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer and no one else.

<u>Certification by Secretary:</u> I certify that: (1) I am the Secretary of VMRC: (2) the foregoing Resolution is a complete and accurate copy of the Resolution duly adopted by VMRC's Board of Directors; (3) the Resolution is in full force and has not been revoked or changed in any way.

Lisa Utsey, Board Secretary

Date

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1 Beyond Words Speech Therapy, PV0844 116	\$ 3,000,000
2 Central Valley Training Center, SV0023 17	\$ 1,500,000
3 Central Valley Training Center, SV0009 515	\$ 4,080,000
4 Central Valley Training Center, S29378 515	\$ 3,600,000
5 Central Valley Training Center, HV0503 515	\$ 3,120,000
6 Chance 4 Change, SV0019 896	\$ 1,080,000
7 Choice Creekview Home, HV0256 113	\$ 488,580
8 L.I.F.E., PV1662 048	\$ 1,380,000
9 Metta Services, LLC PV2608 116	\$ 360,000
10 Person Centered Services, SV0010 896	\$ 1,560,000
11 Person Centered Services, S29395 515	\$ 7,920,000
12 Person Centered Services, HV0421 055	\$ 1,140,000
13 Person Centered Services, HV0396 515	\$ 1,440,000
14 Turlock Area SLS, SV0021 896	\$ 375,000
15 Central Valley Adult Care, HV0691 510	\$ 780,000

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Date



Contract Review Form

Vendor Number (s)	875 SC: HV0722 / 882 SC: PV37	79		
Vendor Name	Salas Properties LLC dba Gotta F	Ride Transportation		
Number of People Served	Approximately 12-15			
Idget Item Purchase of Service				
Service Code & Description	Rates & Usage	Contract Type	Fiscal Year (s)	
875 - Transportation Company	* \$42.84 - Group Vehicle Svc Hour * \$17.64 - Per One Way Trip * \$2.76 - Group Per Live Mile	Transportation	2024/2025 through	
882 - Transportation Assistant	* (882 SC) \$23.90 - Hourly Group Attendant		2028/2029	
County Served Ages Served Start Date End Date				
San Joaquin Adult, 18 and Older 7/1/2024 6/30/2029				
Contract Renewal (Y/N)If Yes, Previous Year ContractNew ContractAmount RequestedAmountIncrease or Decreasefor this Contract				
Yes	\$196,588.00 per FY	Increase	\$275,000.00 per FY 60 month total \$1,375,000.00	
If Contract Amount Changed, Explanation of Change: Initial contract term was a partial year, now expanding to full term. Contract Description: Contractor provides curb-to-curb transportation to/from day programs. If there are issues with this contract or vendor, description of issue (s): No Issues.				
	ontract or vendor, description of	-		

Date Approved by Board:

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Vendor Name, Vendor Number (Service Code)	Pe	r FY Value	Total Value
1 Salas Properties LLC dba Gotta Ride Transportation, HV0722 (875 SC) / PV3779 (882 SC)	\$	275,000	\$ 1,375,000

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VALLEY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CENTER SERVICE STANDARD

SOCIAL RECREATION and CAMP SERVICES

Philosophy and Purpose

It is the philosophy of VMRC that people with developmental disabilities have access to age-appropriate social recreational activities, including camping services and associated travel expenses. VMRC believes that such activities are an important and necessary part of all people's lives. These activities help to ensure a person's emotional well- being, promote, and develop friendships, and enhance social skills. As such, VMRC will promote the participation of people with developmental disabilities in meaningful, preferred social/recreational activities.

The purpose of social recreation services is to meet the person's need for socialization and access to recreational activities. VMRC is aware that people with developmental disabilities are often socially isolated and may not have opportunities for social interaction and recreation with a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, including people without disabilities.

Definition

Social recreation services include those supports and services that allow the person to socialize with friends or peers. or spend structured or unstructured time engaged in recreational activities. Typically, people access and participate in social recreational activities through their families, residential services, schools, or day programs.

Benefits of social recreational activities in -

- Children promote social growth and development.
- Adults prevent isolation, encourage development of social skills, learn social boundaries; form long-lasting relationships; promote community engagement.

<u>Eligibility</u>

Updated 05/29/2024

The Planning Team, as defined in W&I Code 4512 (j), which includes the person served, reviews the need for socialization and for recreation and develops a statement of goals based upon the needs, preferences, and life choices of the person. The Team considers several factors that support or inhibit the achievement of the person's goals (e.g., the people's own abilities, family, friends, residential care facility, and community resources). Use of generic resources should be explored, and the cost effectiveness of the requested service considered. VMRC will fund approved services if/while generic resources are being explored and the exploration of generic resources shall not delay the implementation of these services.

The Team shall take into account the consumer's need for extraordinary care, services, supports and supervision, and the need for timely access to this care.

("Planning team" means the individual with developmental disabilities, the parents or legally appointed guardian of a minor consumer or the legally appointed conservator of an adult consumer, the authorized representative, including those appointed pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 4541, one or more regional center representatives, including the designated regional center service coordinator pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 4640.7, any individual, including a service provider, invited by the consumer, the parents or legally appointed guardian of a minor consumer or the legally appointed conservator of an adult consumer, or the authorized representative, including those appointed pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 4541, and including a minor's, dependent's, or ward's court-appointed developmental services decisionmaker appointed pursuant to Section 319, 361, or 726.)

Implementation:

It is VMRC's intent to advocate and supply information to people, their family members, and service provider on social/recreational activities. This can be achieved by VMRC providing supports and services, either through purchase of service funding or through generic resources, targeted to the unique needs of each person, as identified by the planning team.

Exceptions and Appeals Process

As with all VMRC purchased services, if the Planning Team determines there is a need to request an exception to these standards, a Purchase of Service (POS) Exceptions request should be submitted. Please refer to the POS Exceptions Policy.

VMRC recognizes that there may be occasions when a decision is made by VMRC that may not satisfy the person or his/her legally authorized representative. When the person

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VALLEY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CENTER SERVICE STANDARD

NONMEDICAL THERAPY SERVICES

Philosophy and Purpose

It is the philosophy of VMRC that people with developmental disabilities have access to age appropriate nonmedical therapy. VMRC believes that such activities are an important and necessary part of all people's lives. As such, VMRC will promote the participation of people with developmental disabilities in meaningful, preferred nonmedical therapies.

The purpose of nonmedical therapy services is to meet the person's need for specialized services and supports, or special adaptations of generic services.

Definition

Nonmedical therapy services should be those supports and services that are supplemental to the primary intervention or treatment support of the consumer. All interventions must be evidence-based practice related to the qualifying condition and developmental disability of the consumer. Examples of potential nonmedical therapies include those listed in WIC 4688.22(a)(2), such as specialized recreational therapy, specialized art therapy, specialized dance therapy, and specialized music therapy.

Requested nonmedical therapy providers should have verifiable credentials to implement any requested therapies. If required by the California Code of Regulations Title 17 or the California Department of Developmental Services, service providers shall be credentialed, certified, or licensed by an appropriate licensing or credentialing body.

For the purposes of identifying allowable nonmedical therapies, the provisions of Welfare and Institutions Code 4648(a)(17) does not apply to nonmedical therapies.

Eligibility and Implementation Process

Nonmedical therapy includes services and support that are evidenced-based practice in order to be considered habilitative. Testimonials will not be considered a valid indication that a nonmedical therapy is evidence-based. Requested nonmedical therapy services must be identified through the IPP/ISFP process with the planning team and included in

the IPP/IFSP. The Planning Team as defined in Welfare and Institutions Code 4512 (j), which includes the person served, reviews the need for nonmedical therapy and develops a statement of goals based upon the needs, preferences, and life choices of the person. The Team considers several factors that support or inhibit the achievement of the person's goals (e.g., the person's own abilities, family, friends, residential care facility, and community resources). Use of generic resources should be explored, and the cost effectiveness of the requested service considered. VMRC will fund approved services if/while generic resources are being explored and the exploration of generic resources shall not delay the implementation of these services.

("Planning team" means the individual with developmental disabilities, the parents or legally appointed guardian of a minor consumer or the legally appointed conservator of an adult consumer, the authorized representative, including those appointed pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 4541, one or more regional center representatives, including the designated regional center service coordinator pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 4640.7, any individual, including a service provider, invited by the consumer, the parents or legally appointed guardian of a minor consumer or the legally appointed conservator of an adult consumer, or the authorized representative, including those appointed pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 4541, and including a minor's, dependent's, or ward's court-appointed developmental services decisionmaker appointed pursuant to Section 319, 361, or 726.)

Exceptions and Appeals Process

As with all VMRC purchased services, if the Planning Team determines that sufficient support exists to request an exception to these standards, a Purchase of Service Exceptions request should be submitted.

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VMRC Proposed Bylaws Changes 2024/2025

 Section 7.06. Regular Meetings. The Directors shall hold regularly scheduled Board meetings occurring at least (7) times each fiscal year. Board meetings can occur more often as needed. Directors shall no later than July 1, for every prospective term set the time and place of Board meetings. Board meeting dates, times and location may be modified or changed at the discretion of the Board. If the Board of Directors do not meet in a given month, the Executive Committee shall meet to conduct the business of the full Board, subject to open meetings requirements and public notice expressed in Sections 7.01and 7.08.

We will need to change from 7 to 6, this will eliminate the July board meeting, and the board will meet every other month.

2. Section 6.02. Duties of Special Assistant to the Executive Director. The Executive Assistant shall perform duties delegated by the Executive Director and Secretary of the Board with no voting powers. If the Secretary is not available or is unable to perform any of the Secretary's duties, the Executive Assistant shall perform such duties, shall attend, and keep or cause to be kept the minutes of all meetings of the Board, whether regular or closed, emergency and all Executive Committee meetings. The Executive Assistant shall assure notices of meetings, attachments, and other materials with proposed agenda items are posted on Corporation's webpage are sent to Board members and other designated entities or individuals as directed by the Executive Director. The Executive Assistant shall perform other such duties as the Board or Bylaws may provide.

We just need to change the highlighted area to "Executive Assistant".

3. Section 8.10. Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall consist of a chairperson, the Chief Financial Officer, and at least four (4) Directors appointed by the President. In addition, the Coalition of Local Area Service Providers shall be invited to appoint a representative. It is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to review and make recommendations to the Directors relative to financial policy, audit findings and recommendations, contracts and to monitor the Corporation's fiscal condition.

For this we just need to add a line that says "Finance Committees will be open to the public."

VMRC Board of Directors Meeting Schedule for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

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Date	Location
Wednesday, August 28, 2024	Board of Directors Meeting In-Person
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	and via Zoom
September 2024	(No Meeting)
Wednesday, October 23, 2024	Board of Directors Meeting In-Person
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November 2024	(No Meeting)
<mark>Wednesday, December 11, 2024</mark>	Board of Directors Meeting In-Person
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January 2025	(No Meeting)
<mark>Wednesday, February 26, 2025</mark>	Board of Directors Meeting In-Person
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March 2025	(No Meeting)
Wednesday, April 23, 2025	Board of Directors Meeting In-Person
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May 2025	(No Meeting)
<mark>Wednesday, June 25, 2025</mark>	Board of Directors Meeting In-Person
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Wednesday, November 27, 2024 5:00 PM	Cohen Board Room In-Person and via Zoom
December 2024	(No Meeting)
Wednesday, January 22, 2025 5:00 PM	Cohen Board Room In-Person and via Zoom
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