Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC)
Advisory Committee Meeting
December 1, 2017 Meeting Notes

Committee Members Present:
Betsy Katz  Eldon Luce
Jordan Lindsey  Maribel Marin
Dani Anderson  Paula Margeson
Eldon Luce  Derrell Kelch
Victoria Jump  Elsa Quezada
Michi Gates
Ann Guerra
Teresa Anderson

Committee Members Attending by Phone:
Paula Acosta
Ana Acton

State Agency Representatives Present:
Lora Connolly, CDA
Dean Fujimoto, CDA
Marianne Gammon, CDA
Nichole Kessel, DHCS
Ann Bui, DOR
Maria Aliferis-Gjerde, DOR

11:00 Opening of Meeting

Agenda Item 1: Welcome and Introductions
The meeting was called to order and members introduced.

Agenda Item 2: Review of Agenda and Approval of Notes
The agenda was reviewed and agreed upon.
Paula Margeson asked that the meeting notes from September be amended as follows:

In Dani Anderson’s presentation on Independent Living Centers, she stated that all ILC’s (Independent Living Centers) get Title VII money and Department of Rehabilitation money. Paula does not believe that is accurate.

After some discussion it was agreed that the statement is correct as long as it is limited to only the California ILC’s. The notes will be amended to qualify the statement as applicable only to California ILC’s. With that change, the notes from the September meeting are agreed upon.

**Agenda Item 3: Dept. of Health Care Services Presentation: Nichole Kessel**

Nichole discussed all the programs that the newly re-organized Department of Health Care Services provides. Her division is now called the Integrated Systems of Care Division (ICSD).

They oversee seven Medi-Cal waivers under the 1915 C section of the Social Security Act. 1915 is the home and community-based services waiver. The programs are:

- Assisted Living Wavier (ALW) (administered by the Department of Health Care Services)
- HCBS Waiver for individuals for Developmental Disabilities (administered by California Department of Developmental Disabilities)
- HIV/AIDS (administered by California Department of Public Health)
- Home and Community-Based Alternatives (HCBA) (administered by Department of Health Care Services)
- In Home Operations (administered by Department of Health Care Services)
- Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP) (Administered by the California Department of Aging)
- Pediatric Palliative Care (PPC) (Administered by Department of Health Care Services)

Department of Health Care Services also administers specialty health plans:

- Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)
- Senior Care Action Network (SCAN)

Please see PowerPoint presentation for additional detail about these programs, posted
ICSD also oversees additional programs under the 1915i HCBS State Plan Option they are as follows:

- 1915(i) State plan Amendment for the Developmentally Disabled

Other Home and Community Based Services ICSD oversees:

- In Home Supportive Services (IHSS)
- Community Based Adult Services (CBAS)
- Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI)
- California Community Transitions (CCT)

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LUNCH Break

Agenda Item 4: Dept. of Rehabilitation Presentation: Maria Aliferis-Gjerde

Maria announced that there was a recent appointment of Cindy Chu as Assistant Deputy Director for Vocational Rehabilitation Policy and Resources Division.

The Rehabilitation Services Administration is the federal entity that oversees the Department of Rehabilitation. They will be doing a review of DOR technical assistance programs in March 2018. This review will cover all the vocational rehab and supported employment programs which has three focus areas: integrated employment, pre-employment transition services for students with disabilities and supported employment.

Statewide initiatives that DOR is involved with includes

- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) authorizes Vocational Rehabilitation Services which is administered by The U.S. Dept. of Education
- Independent Living Services is vested in the Administration for Community Living (ACL)
- Older Individuals who are Blind (OIB)
- Traumatic Brain Injury Program – now in its third year of a three-year grant cycle. Legislation has been introduced that would eliminate the current sunset date of July 2019.

**Agenda Item 5: The ARC Overview Presentation: Jordan Lindsey**

ARC of California was founded 67 years ago when parents of people with intellectual developmental disabilities (IDD) started organizing with the goal of creating a better life for their sons and daughters with IDD.

The Disability Rights Act gave birth to the Lanterman Act in California which was passed in 1977 and designates the right to services and supports to the IDD population to enable them to live a more independent and normal life.

There are 21 regional centers throughout California that coordinate services for the IDD population.

ARC currently has about 670 state and local chapters in 48 states. There are 4700 service locations nationwide. Total Arc revenue is about $4 billion.

There is increasing emphasis on employment first when people come out of high school.

Traditionally, the funding and services for the IDD population was siloed. Now the focus is shifting to a more integrated model. This is particularly true because many of the IDD population are aging and this increases the cross over issues.

**Agenda Item 6: Data and Outcomes: Victoria Jump**

We have divided the task into two phases. Phase 1 is looking at the existing data we are all collecting. We have looked at ILC and AAA systems and came up with a document which identifies currently collected information. We would like feedback from all of you on this document and if it is approved, we will send it out to the ADRC’s and ask that they begin collecting this data for us.

In Phase 2, we would like to focus on more meaningful data that demonstrates the changes we make in people’s lives that have received services from us.
The group pondered the idea that 90 days would define short term services and anything longer would fall into the category of long term services.

**Agenda Item 7: Training: Marianne Gammon**

Update on the Elsevier Person-Centered Training:

There are 95 seats assigned to learners out of 100 available to us. Several people have dropped their enrollment in the past couple of weeks, which has reduced the total number of enrolled participants. There are additional seats available if any of you have candidates, please email Marianne Gammon so she can get them enrolled.

A brief summary of the progress of enrolled students:

- 22 of the 95 have completed 100% of the modules
- 21 of the 95 completed 0 of the modules
- 9 of the 95 have completed fewer than 5 modules
- many participants say they intend to complete the program by the drop dead date of Dec. 31.

There was a discussion among the Committee members about whether certification in person-centered programming was going to be required by ACL. The answer to date is no.

There was also a discussion about accessibility of the Elsevier on line training. It is not accessible for blind and low vision according to Paula Margeson.

**Agenda Item 8: ADRC Charter: Eldon Luce**

The group discussed the history and various versions of the charter. Electronic copies with “tracked changes” turned on and off will be distributed and the group will come prepared to discuss at the next Committee Meeting. Dani Anderson urged the members to consider revising the current vision statement.

**Agenda Item 9: Next Steps: Advisory Committee Meeting Dates for 2018**
There was a motion to approve the proposed meeting dates for 2018. The motion was passed. The dates of the 2018 meetings will be as follows:

January 19, 2018
March 16, 2018
May 18, 2018
August 17, 2018
October 19, 2018

Meeting was adjourned.