Brief ADRC History – Federal Guidance, Grants and ADRC work in California:

1999: US Supreme Court’s Olmstead decision – Federal Medicaid policy shifts toward community-based LTSS options to avoid unnecessary and costly facility care.

2003: ADRC grants to 12 states. Administration on Aging (AoA), Administration on Community Living (ACL) and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) supports to states for streamlining access to community-based LTSS options. California implemented California Pathways.

2006: California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS) received a five-year Systems Transformation Grant from CMS called California Community Choices. The grant funded an environmental scan of the LTSS programs and financing in California, launch of the ADRC pilots, development of a consumer-facing, searchable LTSS website and policy recommendations for the future.

2007: California Department of Health Care Services received federal award under the Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration -- California Community Transitions (CCT). ADRC projected to be part of building local LTSS infrastructure.

2008: The Veterans Health Administration recognized the value of ADRCs and implemented the Veterans Directed Home and Community-Based Services.

2009: California Department of Health Care Services received Real Choice Systems Change Grant Person-centered Hospital Discharge Planning Model and Enhancing/Expanding Aging and Disability Resources Centers.

2010: AoA grants to 16 states to partner with hospitals to build evidence-based care transition programs into ADRC programs. California State Independent Living Council (SILC) received federal funding to focus on ADRC Options Counseling and transition services.

2010: The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) provided $50 million dollars over five years to support state ADRC initiatives. The ACA funded the Medicaid Balancing Incentive Program (BIP) to incentivize states to rebalance their Medicaid LTSS spending and required participating states to make changes to their LTSS systems, including statewide NWD programs. California was ineligible for BIP.

2018: California Governor signs AB 1200 (Cervantes) establishing ADRC into state law.

See the California Department of Aging website for more information
https://www.aging.ca.gov/ProgramsProviders/ADRC/

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