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**VMRC Self Determination Advisory Committee**



**DATE:** Thursday, December 15, 2022



**TIME:** 3:30pm to 5:00pm

**WHERE:**

**In Person:** Valley Mountain Regional Center-Cohen Boardroom, 702 N. Aurora St, Stockton, CA

**OR**

**By Zoom Call:**

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## **Valley Mountain Regional Center Self Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC)**

### **REMINDER from the Self Determination Law WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE Section 4685.8**

#### **Role of this Committee**

Each regional center shall establish a local volunteer advisory committee to provide oversight of the Self-Determination Program.

The regional center and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities shall each appoint one-half of the membership of the committee.

The committee shall consist of the regional center clients' rights advocate, consumers, family members, and other advocates, and community leaders.

A majority of the committee shall be consumers and their family members.

The committee shall reflect the multicultural diversity and geographic profile of the catchment area.

**The committee shall review the development and ongoing progress of the Self-Determination Program, including whether the program advances the principles of self-determination and is operating consistent with the requirements, and may make ongoing recommendations for improvement to the regional center and the department.**

These are PUBLIC Meetings-so everyone is welcome.

The focus of this committee is to discuss the

#### **Self Determination Program**

This is not the meeting for individual concerns/issues about traditional VMRC services and supports. Please contact your service coordinator for help on individual concerns.

# The 5 Principles of Self-Determination



## Freedom

You plan your own life and make your own decisions, just like people without disabilities are able to do.

## Authority

You decide how money is spent for your services and supports.

## Support

You pick the people and supports that help you live, work and play in your community.

## Responsibility

To make decisions in your life, to be accountable for using public money and to accept your valued role in the community.

## Confirmation

You are the most important person when making plans for your life. You are the decision maker about your services.



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### **AGENDA**

**Item 1: Call Meeting to Order-** Mariela Ramos-chair

**Item 2: Introductions-** Committee member roll call. Community members can introduce themselves using the chat if on Zoom or sign in if attending in person.

**Item 3: Establish Quorum-** Mariela Ramos-chair

**Item 4: Approval of the agenda-ACTION-**Mariela Ramos-chair

**Item 5: Approval of the Minutes from August 18, 2022-ACTION** Since there was no quorum for the September or October meetings, the meeting summaries will not be voted for approval.

**Item 6: VMRC SDAC Special Events Workgroup-ACTION/Information-Dena-September 8, 2022 & October 13, 2022 & November 10, 2022-**recommendations from workgroup will be discussed and voted on.

**Item 7: VMRC SDAC By-Laws Sub-Committee Update Request- Information/Discussion-Jeff Lazaro-**presentation of By-Laws DRAFT document

**Item 8: Statewide Self Determination Advisory Committee (SSDAC)-Information-Mariela-**updates or announcements from Statewide SDAC

**Item 9: Self Determination Support Project-Information-Melanie Gonzales-**Updates on progress of the project

**Item 10: Self Determination Support Project for Spanish speaking families/consumers-Information-Tony/Leadership-**status update

**Item 11: Public Comment-** *This item is for members of the public to comment and/or present information to the VMRC SDAC. Each person will be afforded up to three minutes to speak, but if need an interpreter up to six minutes. Written requests, if any, will be considered first. The VMRC SDAC will also provide public comment, not to exceed a total of seven minutes, for public comment prior to action on each agenda item.*

**Item 12: Update on the Self Determination Program-*Information***- Tony Anderson, VMRC Executive Director-any updates from DDS and confirmation/status of VMRC SDAC funding-deadlines and expenditures, including books-status of order.

Tara Sisemore-Hester, Director of Consumer Services-Children-provide updates to the committee.

**Item 13: VMRC SDAC Membership Update-*Information-Dena***-Updates on membership and needs.

**Item 14: Self Determination Issues-*Discussion-Advisory Committee & VMRC Staff***-Time for committee members or VMRC staff to share any issues, questions or success stories regarding Self Determination, or announcements of upcoming trainings or opportunities for participants.

**Item 15: Next Meeting**- January 19, 2023, 3:30pm to 5:00pm, in-person or by Zoom

The VMRC SDAC meetings are held monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday-from 3:30pm-5:00pm. Meetings can be attended virtually or in-person at VMRC-Stockton Office, 702 North Aurora Street, Stockton, CA 95202.

**Item 16: Save-the-Date for the quarterly Meet & Greet-January 23, 2023, 6:30-8pm, to be held virtually on Zoom, or in-person at VMRC.** The topic still to be determined.

**Item 17: Meeting Adjourned**