



NEWSLETTER

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(714) 751-2344 - We will respond to your message at the earliest possible time.

FFF Meeting Sunday, September 18, 10 am

Large Classroom in Administration Bldg.

Self-Determination Program and Fairview Residents

Sunday, September 18, the FFF meeting will welcome **Jim Knight** from the Department of Developmental Services along with **Gail Skvirsky-Bohn** and **Christine Tolbert** from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. They will review the **Self-Determination Program** and what it can offer people moving out of Developmental Centers.

More about our very experienced and dedicated speakers on page 4!

SELF-DETERMINATION PRINCIPLES ARE:

- **Freedom** to exercise rights about where to live, with whom to live, how to spend time, and who provides supports;
- **Authority** to control a budget in order to purchase services and supports of their choosing;
- **Support**, including arranging resources and personnel, allowing flexibility in community living
- **Responsibility**, including making decisions in their own lives
- **Confirmation**, in making decisions in their lives by designing the service that they rely on.

(Taken from Self Determination Principles <http://www.dds.ca.gov/SDP/>)

WHERE WILL FAIRVIEW RESIDENTS LIVE?

Community Options Fair FDC September 15

Sponsored by the State Council on Developmental Disabilities

More about this event on page 3!

A presentation of the **COMMUNITY LIVING OPTIONS** for Fairview clients was given by **Shelton Dent**, the Acting Assistant Deputy Director of the Community Services Division DDS at the July 17 FFF meeting. *More about these options on page 5!*

Annual Fundraiser and Prize Drawing Sunday, November 20

"Help enrich FDC's residents' lives materially, emotionally, and spiritually by extending to the residents additional benefits that may be beyond Fairview's budget."

And have a chance to win fabulous prizes also!

You will soon receive your Fundraiser Prize Drawing tickets – \$2.00 per ticket.

Please set a goal of selling or purchasing these tickets!

IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL TICKETS - CALL OUR FFF OFFICE (714-751-2344)!

- FILL IN INFORMATION NEEDED ON THE STUB - PLEASE HAVE PURCHASER **PRINT** NAME & ADDRESS! (We need to be able to read the winner's names!) OR, use a self-adhesive mailing label with name & address.
- BE CERTAIN THAT THERE IS A LEGIBLE PHONE NUMBER ON EACH TICKET STUB!
- ENCLOSE COMPLETED STUBS AND THE CASH/CHECK/MONEY-ORDER FOR THE QUANTITY OF STUBS

In addition to ticket sales, FFF will gladly accept any donations above and beyond your ticket sales! Winning tickets will be drawn at the Fundraiser Gala Luncheon, Sunday, November 20!

FOR THE RECORD

The last issue of the FFF Newsletter contained an error about the Community State Staff Program – which is corrected here!

*The program is very flexible, allowing for part-time work in the community along with ~~full-time~~ **PART-TIME** work at the Developmental Center.*

For further information, employees can contact Sandy Middleton, Southern CSSP Coordinator (714) 957-5593 sandra.middleton@fdc.dds.ca.gov

Special Study on DC Movers

Families of Developmental Center residents who transition to the community setting may be asked to be part of a voluntary and confidential survey that will focus on the first two years of community placement. This information is part of the monitoring system, and can help improve services and identify problems. Please consider participating in this important project if you are asked – **your experiences, perspective, and feedback can impact the success of community placement for many!**

Transition Success for James "Jimmy" Norman (Res. 216)

a message from his parents

Using Jimmy's I.P.P. and Whole Person Assessment as a base, Westside Regional Center, the Regional Project, and the Fairview Transition Team were able to accomplish a very successful move to a specialized medical model home (962 Home) provided by National Support Services, Inc. Jimmy's needs were met with genuine loving care and great attention to his fragile health condition. Although he succumbed to an unanticipated medical event, his end-of-life days were filled with love and kindness. We are thankful to everyone involved.

Yvonne and Al Beck, Parents and Conservators

State Council on Developmental Disabilities

& Fairview Developmental Center

Invite you to Community Options Fair 2016

Consumers Families FDC Staff Service Providers

An opportunity for residents of FDC and their families to gain knowledge on what services and options are available in the community. There will be community providers and regional centers (Regional Center of Orange County, Harbor Regional Center, San Diego Regional Center, South Central Los Angeles Regional Center, East LA Regional Center, North LA County Regional Center) present.

A food truck will be available to purchase lunch from 10 am to 1 pm.

September 15, 2016 from 10 AM - 1 PM Auditorium

Questions? Call Laurie St. Pierre SCDD Client's Rights Advocate

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FAIRVIEW POPULATION

July 2016 219

March 2016 237 December 2015 252 September 2015 263 June 2015 275

Interested in more information about the closure of Fairview Developmental Center - or Porterville DC or Sonoma DC? Check out the DC Closure page on the DDS website at www.dds.ca.gov/DevCtrs/DCClosures.cfm. There is a lot of information on the closure plan, resident transitions, the Community State Staff Plan, and more!

Self-Determination Program Speakers, Sunday, September 18 10 am

Jim Knight is an Assistant Deputy Director at the Department of Developmental Services. His primary responsibilities include oversight of programs receiving federal funding. He began his career working in the service delivery system for people with developmental disabilities more than 30 years ago and has spent time assisting and learning from individuals in a variety of settings including school, residential and employment. Jim will give an update and overview of the Self-Determination Program, including the status of federal approval for the program and an overview of the next steps.

Christine Tolbert is a Community Program Specialist II at the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD). She provides training, technical assistance, capacity-building, and systemic change advocacy for self-advocates and families in Orange County. Prior to her current role, she worked as the Clients' Rights Advocate and Volunteer Advocacy Services Coordinator for Lanterman Developmental Center, providing consultation to residents, families, staff, Deputy Public Defenders, and Regional Centers concerning resident's rights. Christine participated as a member of the Behavior Services, Human Rights, Pain Management, Bioethics, Quality Management, and Injury Review Committees. She has fourteen years of experience working in the field of developmental disabilities, including both a child/adult caseload and a forensic/judicial caseload with the South Central Los Angeles Regional Center prior to her employment at SCDD. Christine holds a Bachelor Degree of Social Work from the University of Kansas.

Gail Skvirsky-Bohn, from the SCDD, is Manager of the Volunteer Advocacy Services program at Fairview Developmental Center, which provides advocacy to clients who may not have a representative to help them find appropriate supports and services. Prior to this position, Gail providing consulting services for several intermediate care facilities throughout Southern California as a Qualified Mental Retardation Professional / facility administrative, and assisted in the opening and licensing of several Orange County residential programs for consumers with both developmental and medical needs. Much of Gail's training and experience in supporting persons with intellectual disabilities was obtained as a Regional Center of Orange County Service Coordinator for children who resided with their families, and adult consumers in both residential and vocational settings. Gail also worked with residents of Camarillo, Lanterman, Stockton, Agnews and Porterville Development Centers, completing assessments to determine the appropriate level of care for their transition to community life. Much of Gail's emphasis went hand in hand with the inception of specialized residential programs, which were specifically created to meet the unique service needs of consumers who were leaving the DCs and who required additional behavioral supports. When California began the pilot project in Self-Determination, Gail was contracted by East Los Angeles Regional Center to provide broker services for several of the project participants. She helped consumers develop person centered plans and budgets, coordinated services, located resources, and trained staff.

Q & A will follow the presentations from our experienced and dedicated speakers!

Community Living Options for Fairview Residents

Adapted from July 17 FFF Presentation and www.dds.ca.gov/fairviewNews/docs/communityOptions
Contact your RC Case Worker or FDC Social Worker about options for your relative.

COMMUNITY CARE FACILITIES (CCFs) are licensed by the Community Care Division, State Department of Social Services. The Alternative Residential Model has a program of supervision and training using a staff:client ratio varying from 1:6 to 1:1. Supervision is provided for persons with a range of self-care skills, challenges including disruptive or self-injurious behaviors, and limitations in physical coordination and mobility. For persons with complex health needs, there are medical model homes that provide 24-hour health care and intensive support services in a homelike setting (also known as ARFPSHN /962/853 homes). Delayed Egress/Secured Perimeter Homes for individuals with difficult-to-manage behaviors or a lack of hazard awareness and impulse control, have time-delayed exit doors, a locked perimeter fence to ensure individuals are supervised when they wish to leave the property, and strict fire safety precautions in place. Enhanced Behavioral Supports Homes provide care for individuals who require enhanced behavioral supports, with increased trained staff and Regional Center behavior professionals in a homelike setting. Community Crisis Homes provide 24-hour non-medical crisis intervention services.

HEALTH FACILITIES provide 24-hour skilled nursing services, licensed by CA Department of Public Health. Intermediate Care Facility - Developmentally Disabled (ICF-DD) serves 15 or more consumers with a recurring need for nursing services and provides personal care, habilitation, developmental and supportive health services. Intermediate Care Facility - Developmentally Disabled/Habilitative (ICF-DD/H) provides developmental services, personal care, and nursing supervision to 6 clients who need intermittent but not continuous nursing care. Intermediate Care Facility - Developmentally Disabled/Nursing (ICF-DD/N) provides personal care, developmental services, and nursing for clients with chronic, non-acute medical conditions (tube feedings, suctioning, etc.) Intermediate Care Facility - Developmentally Disabled/ Continuous Nursing (ICF-DD/CN) provides continuous nursing to medically fragile clients in a small community-based setting. Nursing Facility (NF) offers 24 hour in-patient skilled nursing, physician services, dietary, pharmacy, and an activity program.

OTHER COMMUNITY LIVING OPTIONS: Homes of parents/relatives are options for some clients. Regional Centers provide additional supports (day programs, transportation, respite, behavior intervention). (ILS) Independent Living Skills provides training to live independently, or in the home of a family member, or other person. Supported Living Services (SLS) support adults with developmental disabilities who choose to live in homes they own, rent or lease in the community, with personal supports according to their need. Adult Family Homes and Family Teaching Homes offer the option to reside with a family and share in the interaction and responsibilities of being part of a family, with services and supports as they require. The Self-Determination Program allows participants to purchase services and supports as determined through person-centered planning with a specified budget.

FFF SUNDAY MEETING DATES!

2016 September 18 Fall Festival November 20

2017 January 22 March 19 May 21

July 16 September 10 November 19

FFF meetings are open to everyone, including Fairview employees!

Checklist for DC Families – Make sure YOU are up to date!

Conservatorship of your family member – is it current?

Your Regional Center– do you know which RC serves your family member?

Your contact information– does your FDC Social Worker and RC Case Worker have your full contact information – phone numbers, email, address, etc?

FOR ASSISTANCE ON IPP's & PLACEMENTS – Call JOE PRESTON (714) 203-1001!