

SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER

Recent Legislation Affecting Clients of Regional Centers

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Senate Bill 74

- DDS is required to develop best practices related to purchase of services.
- DDS will receive information from health insurance companies when there is a financial award to a client from litigation due to an injury or death. DDS will then seek to recover funds that it spent for the client.

Assembly Bill 104

- Clients and parents are required to provide the regional center with a copy of their health benefits card.
- The Prevention Program is moving from the regional centers to the family resource centers.
- The IPP must include a public access transportation plan if appropriate.
- Regional Centers cannot purchase adult day programs and transportation to adult day programs if the client is still eligible for public school. This focuses on client age 18 -22 who may want to leave school before age 22.
- Regional Centers can negotiate lower rates in residential facilities for a specific individual to stay in a residential facility that is lower than the facility rate.
- Paraprofessionals will be allowed to provide behavior intervention services.
- Parents must sign attendance forms for a behavioral vendor and the vendor must submit these with billing forms.
- Clients can receive individual adult day services. This is limited to 150 hours per quarter and the rate is \$13.47/hour. This will go into effect when the Federal Government approves.
- Day Programs can be vendored to provide individual day services at a rate not to exceed 80 percent of the current rate.
- Services for clients who live together and receive supported living services must be reviewed to see if some of the services can be shared.
- There must be an independent assessment of high cost supported living services.
- An annual fee will be charged to families of children unless their child receives Medi- Cal or their income is below a certain amount.