Services are Determined by the Planning Team. Services may include:

Diagnosis and Evaluation / Information & Referral / Service Coordination / Parent Education / Prevention / Family Support / Senior Centers / Day Programs / Advocacy / Adaptive Equipment / Residential Placement / Supported Living / Respite / Early intervention services for at risk infants and their families / Individual Program Plan (IPP) / Community Education and Training / Integrated Work / Alternative Living Options / Crisis Intervention / Court Ordered Evaluations / Diversion from the Criminal Justice System / Discharge from State Developmental Centers

People with developmental disabilities are entitled to the same rights and protections as any other person under the laws of California and the Constitution of the United States. San Andreas is committed to ensuring and protecting these civil, legal and service rights to which our individuals and applicants are entitled.

For more information such as FAQs, the Intake timeline, and an intake interest application please visit: www.sarc.org

**Referral Lines:**
Santa Clara & San Benito County
Call: (408) 374-9960

Monterey County Call: (831) 900-3636

Santa Cruz County Call: (831) 900-3737

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Is a community based, private nonprofit organization funded by the State of California to serve individuals with developmental disabilities as required by the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Act.

Any person regardless of age, cultural background, or income, believed to have a developmental disability is encouraged to apply for services. When possible, individuals identified as ineligible are referred to appropriate agencies within the community.

First Contact and Intake Interview

The first contact and intake interview are the initial steps of the intake process. After contacting the regional center, an interview may be scheduled. The interview should take place within 15 working days of the Regional Center’s determination that an intake is needed. Information from that interview is compiled into a report. The San Andreas intake team will gather additional information from school records, physicians, psychologists, and other professionals to assist in determining whether the disability falls into one of the eligible condition categories. This process can take up to 120 days from the date of the interview.

Eligibility

To be considered eligible, a disability must have originated before the age of 18, be likely to continue indefinitely, and constitute a substantial handicap in 3 or more major life areas. The eligible conditions are the following:

Eligible Conditions

**Intellectual Disability:** Significant deficits in general intellectual functioning (generally an IQ of 70 or below) and significant deficits in adaptive functioning.

**Cerebral Palsy:** A neurological condition occurring from birth or early infancy resulting in an inability to voluntarily control muscular activity, and resulting in significant deficits in motor and adaptive functioning and/or cognitive abilities.

**Epilepsy:** A disorder of the central nervous system in which the major symptoms are seizures. Eligibility is based on a seizure disorder that is uncontrolled or poorly controlled, despite medical compliance and medical intervention.

**Autism:** A syndrome characterized by impairments in social interaction (withdrawal, failure to engage in interaction with peers or adults), impaired nonverbal communication skills, and the inability to develop and maintain relationships. Individuals may engage in repetitive behaviors or a limited repertoire of activities.

**Fifth Condition:** This category includes disabling conditions found to be closely related to intellectual disability or requiring treatment similar to that required for individuals with intellectual disability.

Excluded Conditions

Regulations specifically exclude handicapping conditions which are solely psychiatric disorders, solely learning disabilities, or physical in nature.

Eligibility Determination Meeting

At the end of the assessment process, an eligibility determination meeting is offered to share the results of the eligibility evaluation.

Planning Team Meeting

Once eligibility is established, San Andreas staff, working together with the individual, his or her family, and other involved persons, hold a Planning Team Meeting to identify goals, needs and services. According to the Lanterman Act, we must hold this meeting within 60 days of the eligibility determination. When possible, San Andreas combines the eligibility determination and planning team meetings.

The result of the planning team meeting is a written Individual Program Plan (IPP). This plan is based upon the individual's current level of functioning and includes service recommendations for immediate and long-term planning. The IPP is generally reviewed annually to ensure that the individual's needs are being met.

Early Intervention

A child from birth to 36 months may be considered at risk for a developmental disability and referred to the Early Start prevention program. For further information please contact the regional center office nearest you.