



PURCHASE OF SERVICES EXPENDITURE AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Fiscal Year 22/23

Introduction

Changes to the Lanterman Act require regional centers and the Department of Developmental Services to annually collaborate, and compile data related to purchase of service authorizations, utilization, and expenditures by identified demographic categories.

San Andreas Regional Center has prepared this report to provide this data, and to post it on our website, in accordance with this section of the Lanterman Act (Welfare and Institutions Code, Sections 4519.5 and 4519.6)

Included in the beginning of this report is a summary of limitations related to this data. We encourage you to review this introductory summary, before reviewing the data.

The report is organized in the following sections:

- Total Annual Expenditures and Authorized Services
- Consumers with No Purchase of Services
- Total Annual Insurance-Related Expenditures
- Total Annual Expenditures by Ethnicity and Residence Type
- Total Annual Expenditures by Language and Residence Type

- Total Annual Expenditures for Consumers Living at Home or Out of Home By Ethnicity

San Andreas Regional Center will be holding a public meeting in the near future, to present this data. Information about this meeting will be posted on our website, and social media platforms.

REGIONAL CENTER PURCHASE OF SERVICES (POS) DATA LIMITATIONS OF POS EXPENDITURE DATA

1. Purchase of Service Costs

The Purchase of Service (POS) data displayed represents the cost of services that the regional center authorized and that Consumers received that are paid for by the regional center. This POS expenditure data does not include the cost of services Consumers receive that are paid for by Supplemental Security Income, Medi-Cal, the school system, and other generic agencies. The POS expenditure data represents expenditures the regional center made for services Consumers received during Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2023 based on regional center POS state claim data that was provided to DDS as of December 2023. The regional center may still make payments for services provided to Consumers during FY 2022-2023 up until June 2025.

2. Consumer Count

The total number of Consumers who received services during the fiscal year will be greater than the regional center's actual caseload. A Consumer is included in the data if the Consumer received a regional center funded service at any time during the fiscal year. A Consumer who received a single service once during the year is counted the same as a Consumer who received ongoing monthly services. The Consumer is also counted regardless of their current status with the regional center. The data may include Consumers whose current status is closed, transferred-out, inactive, etc. if the Consumer received regional center services during FY 2022-2023.

3. Contract Purchase of Service Expenditures

Due to the limitations of the regional center uniform fiscal system (UFS), POS expenditure data may not include payments made by the regional center that are paid to a service provider under a "contract". Currently, UFS is unable to allocate expenditures paid to a service provider under a "contract" to Consumers utilizing the "contract" service. Therefore, POS expenditures paid under a "contract" are excluded from the POS data. Typical services paid to a service provider under a "contract" may include, but are not limited to, supported employment program (SEP) group services and specialized health and training services. Therefore, the total amount of POS expenditures reported will not reconcile with the regional center's actual POS expenditures for FY 2022-2023.

4. Authorized Services

Services that are authorized "encumber" the funds needed to pay for those services. The regional center's computer system (UFS) gives the regional center options regarding the "maintenance" of its encumbrances. When encumbrances are routinely adjusted for non-utilization, there will be a higher utilization percentage. When

encumbrances are not routinely adjusted for non-utilizations, there will be a lower utilization rate.

5. Consumers with Multiple Diagnoses

There are many consumers who have more than one diagnosis. In the summary reports for Purchase of Service Expenditures by Diagnosis and Consumers with No Purchase of Service by Diagnosis these Consumers will be counted in every category for which they have a diagnosis. As an example, a Consumer with a diagnosis of both autism and epilepsy will be counted in both the “Autism” and “Epilepsy” categories. Therefore, the sum of the Consumers reported in all the categories will be more than the total number of Consumers served by the regional center.

6. Category 5 Consumers

Consumers listed in Category 5, according to Welfare and Institutions Code section 4512, are individuals who have “disabling conditions found to be closely related to intellectual disability or to require treatment similar to that required for individuals with an intellectual disability, but shall not include other handicapping conditions that are solely physical in nature.”

7. Ethnicity/Race Categories

Ethnicity or race categories in this report are those used by the United States Census Bureau as follows:

American Indian or Alaska Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

Asian: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Black or African American: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic or Latino: A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

White: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Other – Includes all other responses not included in the "White", "Black or African American", "American Indian and Alaska Native", "Asian" and "Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander" race categories described above and includes those who fall in multiple categories.

8. COVID-19 State of Emergency

Changes in service delivery and billing in response to the COVID-19 pandemic may have affected individuals and communities differently. Care should be taken in comparing fiscal years data to data for previous years. In response to the pandemic and varied individual needs and circumstances, billing for some services changed to a monthly rate instead of hourly rates. As a result, this may have reduced differences among individuals in service authorizations, expenditures, and utilization. Although the pandemic officially ended in March of 2023, many providers continued to struggle with the staffing necessary to serve to capacity.

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