

## Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Rules CONCEPT FORM

Vendor name	Pathway to Choices
Vendor number(s)	HA0878
Primary regional center	Alta California Regional Center
Service type(s)	Adult Day Program
Service code(s)	510
Number of consumers currently serving and current staff to consumer ratio.	Current: 30 Future: 45
Have you or the organization you work with been a past recipient of HCBS Funding?	No
Please provide a brief description of the service/setting that includes what a typical day consists of and how services are currently provided; include barriers to compliance with the HCBS rules.	Pathway to Choices Adult Day Program occupies four classrooms, as well as the gym, in an old elementary school building. Each individual classroom is dedicated to developing recreational and vocational skills: math/reading, art/music, computers, health/exercise. The gym is used for large group settings. Community outings are scheduled each week using a 12 passenger van with no wheelchair access. At this time, wheelchair clients are unable to participate in the community outings due to a lack of accessible transportation to accommodate them. The remaining non-ambulatory clients with their physical challenges are limited in their ability to participate in community outings because they are unable to climb in and out of our 12 passenger van.
Identify which HCBS federal requirements this concept addresses that are currently out of compliance.	Pathway to Choices is out of compliance with Federal Requirement #1. Our non-ambulatory clients do not have access to community outings at the same rate in comparison to our ambulatory clients due to a lack of transportation to accommodate them. Also, community outings are primarily recreational with little to no volunteer opportunities.
Narrative/description of the concept; include justification for the funding request and explain how the concept would achieve proposed outcomes.	Pathway to Choices has determined that it is out of compliance with Federal Requirement #1. Many of the opportunities to utilize clients' skills and abilities are in a site-based setting with weekly trips into the community. However, there are little to no volunteer opportunities. Also, while non-ambulatory clients are able to participate in the site-based activities, they are unable to participate in any

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	<p>community outings due to a lack of accessible transportation. In order to increase community involvement for all clients, Pathway to Choices would like to do the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Hire a staff person who will be dedicated to researching and coordinating and expanding our community outings - volunteer and recreational - based on client interests. This staff member will act as a liaison between community partners and Pathway to Choices. He or she will also train existing staff to continue planning community integration activities.</li> <li>2) Purchase a fully-converted Toyota Sienna wheelchair-accessible minivan in order to transport non-ambulatory clients to and from outings.</li> </ol>
<p>Please describe your person-centered approach<sup>1</sup> in the concept development process; how did you involve the individuals for whom you provide services?</p>	<p>Clients participated in small group discussions about their ideas and interests in how to participate in the community. A survey was taken of their interests and their desire to engage in community activities and volunteer opportunities. Because there are a wide range of interests and abilities among the clients, Pathway to Choices has determined that it needs to have a dedicated staff person to research and coordinate recreational and volunteer opportunities in the community.</p>
<p>Does the concept address unmet service needs or service disparities? If so, how?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) We are requesting funding for a staff position that is dedicated to researching and coordinating community outings and volunteer opportunities. Having a staff member dedicated for this purpose will help us to increase the options for clients' meaningful integration into the community without detracting from other areas of the program.</li> <li>2) Pathway to Choices has one 12 passenger van to transport clients to and from community outings. This van does not accommodate non-ambulatory clients. We are requesting funding for a wheelchair-accessible van that will transport non-ambulatory and ambulatory clients together. This will increase community access and involvement for our non-ambulatory clients.</li> </ol>

<sup>1</sup>A person-centered approach emphasizes what is important to the individual who receives services and focuses on personal preferences, satisfaction, and choice of supports in accessing the full benefits of community living. For more information regarding person-centered practices, please visit [www.nasdds.org/resource-library/person-centered-practices](http://www.nasdds.org/resource-library/person-centered-practices).

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<p>Estimated budget and timeline; identify all major costs and benchmarks— attachments are acceptable.</p>	<p>Budget</p> <p>*One full time staff to research and coordinate community activities/volunteer opportunities (wages, benefits, taxes, workers comp): \$45,000</p> <p>*2019 Toyota Sienna with wheelchair ramp, side entry, registration, insurance, extended warranty, and maintenance for 2 years: \$72,00</p> <p>Timeline</p> <p>0-6 months Vehicle purchase</p> <p>0-6 months Recruit new staff person</p> <p>6-12 months Develop community contacts to increase community involvement</p>
<p>Total requested amount.</p>	<p>\$ 117,000</p>
<p>What is your plan for sustaining the benefits, value, and success of your project at the conclusion of 2018-19 HCBS Funding?</p>	<p>The staff person dedicated to research community activities and volunteer opportunities will be hired as a full-time temporary consultant for one year. This person's job will be to create procedures, establish community contacts, and to train existing staff to help them continue this work after the consultant leaves.</p> <p>We need assistance for a) the initial purchase of a wheelchair accessible van and b) purchasing an extended warranty. Pathway to Choices will absorb the ongoing maintenance costs for the new van.</p>

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Vendor name	Pathway to Choices
Vendor number(s)	HA0879
Primary regional center	Alta California Regional Center
Service type(s)	Behavior Management Program
Service code(s)	515
Number of consumers currently serving and current staff to consumer ratio.	Current: 30 Future: 45
Have you or the organization you work with been a past recipient of HCBS Funding?	No
Please provide a brief description of the service/setting that includes what a typical day consists of and how services are currently provided; include barriers to compliance with the HCBS rules.	Pathway to Choices Behavior Management Program occupies five classrooms, as well as the lunch room, in an old school building on a half acre of property. Each individual classroom is dedicated to developing recreational and vocational skills: math/reading, art, games/music, computers, health/exercise. The lunch room is used for large group settings. Community outings are scheduled each week using an 8 passenger van with no wheelchair access. At this time, wheelchair clients are unable to participate in the community outings due to a lack of accessible transportation to accommodate them. The remaining non-ambulatory clients with their physical challenges are limited in their ability to participate in community outings because they are unable to climb in and out of our 8 passenger van.
Identify which HCBS federal requirements this concept addresses that are currently out of compliance.	Pathway to Choices is out of compliance with Federal Requirement #1. Our non-ambulatory clients do not have access to community outings at the same rate in comparison to our ambulatory clients due to a lack of transportation to accommodate them.
Narrative/description of the concept; include justification for the funding request and explain how the concept would achieve proposed outcomes.	Pathway to Choices has determined that it is out of compliance with Federal Requirement #1. Clients at this location are learning behavior management skills and need a variety of opportunities to practice these skills. Many of these opportunities are in a site-based setting with weekly trips into the community. However, while non-ambulatory clients are able to participate in the site-based activities, they are unable to participate in any community outings

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	<p>due to a lack of accessible transportation. In order to increase community opportunities for these clients to practice behavior management skills, Pathway to Choices would like to purchase a fully-converted Toyota Sienna wheelchair-accessible minivan in order to transport them to and from community outings.</p>
<p>Please describe your person-centered approach<sup>1</sup> in the concept development process; how did you involve the individuals for whom you provide services?</p>	<p>Clients participated in small group discussions about their ideas and interests in how to participate in the community. A survey was taken of their interests and their desire to engage in community activities.</p>
<p>Does the concept address unmet service needs or service disparities? If so, how?</p>	<p>Pathway to Choices has one 8 passenger van to transport clients to and from community outings. This van does not accommodate non-ambulatory clients. We are requesting funding for a wheelchair-accessible van that will transport non-ambulatory and ambulatory clients together. This will increase community access and involvement for our non-ambulatory clients.</p>
<p>Estimated budget and timeline; identify all major costs and benchmarks—attachments are acceptable.</p>	<p><b>Budget</b> 2019 Toyota Sienna with wheelchair ramp, side entry, registration, insurance, extended warranty, and maintenance for 2 years: \$72,000</p> <p><b>Timeline</b> 0-6 months Vehicle purchase</p>
<p>Total requested amount.</p>	<p>\$72,000</p>
<p>What is your plan for sustaining the benefits, value, and success of your project at the conclusion of 2018-19 HCBS Funding?</p>	<p>We need assistance for the initial purchase of a wheelchair accessible van. Pathway to Choices will absorb the ongoing maintenance costs for the new van.</p>

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