

**Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Rules
CONCEPT PROPOSAL**

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Existing regional center vendors may receive funding to make changes to service settings and/or programs to help them come into compliance with the HCBS rules. To be considered for funding, vendors must complete and submit this form and the Provider Compliance Evaluation form by October 1, 2016, to the regional center with which it has primary vendorization.

This form may not exceed three pages and must be kept in Arial 12-point font. The narrative should link to the federal requirement that is not being met. The Provider Compliance Evaluation should guide the narrative. The results of the Evaluation should be clearly laid out in the narrative. Additionally, the narrative should describe how the funding would achieve compliance. Concept proposals should be developed with a person-centered approach, with proposed changes/activities focused on the needs and preferences of those who receive services. The estimated budget and timeline need not be detailed at this point but must include all major costs and benchmarks.

More information on the HCBS rules and this form can be found at:
<http://www.dds.ca.gov/HCBS/>

Vendor and vendor number	DDSO – Employment Plus HA0056
Primary regional center	Alta Regional Center
Service type and code	Adult Day Program 505
Number of consumers currently serving	57
Barriers to compliance with the HCBS rules and/or project implementation	Licensing Regulations (Fingerprint & background checks , Non Flexible staff-to-client ratios and program service hours) Accessible transportation within the community inadequate funding for smaller ratios, additional community costs, (leases, supplies, etc.) hiring, maintaining qualified employees Existing cost of leases
Narrative/description of the project. Identify which HCBS federal requirements are currently out of compliance; include justification for funding request	Based on existing Person Centered plans, we currently provide services to many participants in North and East Sacramento who greatly benefit from Arts-Video/Employment based activities, and some who earn money through commissions to create videos and/or to work (or volunteer) with local film crews on location. Removing the Licensing background check, ratios and program service hour barriers will immediately allow nondisabled community members to collaborate with our current participants on community projects. Our existing Award winning video production studio is also a satellite Access Sacramento Cable TV studio. This partnership not only provided expensive video and audio equipment opportunities for our

	<p>program participants to use, but also to learn new skills. This allows our participants the opportunity to train others from the community at large to create their own videos for the Access Sacramento channel.</p> <p>Finding an additional community film production studio that would be available to our program participants not only would be cost prohibitive, but difficult to book given the high demand for that type of studio space. In order to transition to more community based services, licensing ratio and program service hour regulations would need to be changed or removed.</p> <p>There is a need to provide more employment opportunities to meet the needs of existing and potentially new program participants, both in video production, and to also identify and find other employment opportunities based on each participants specific Person Center plan preferences. In order to find more community employment opportunities a Job/Career Developer and Job Coach are needed to pursue these additional partnerships and community job options.</p> <p>Part of this change/transition would include the need to develop a controlled and secure mobile communication system/protocol. Additional vehicles (1 wheelchair accessible and two regular vans would be required for both job developer and employment training in the community, as well as to transport equipment and video crews to locations not accessible by public transportation.</p>
<p>Estimated budget; identify all major costs and benchmarks— attachments are acceptable</p>	<p>Job Developer and Support Staff positions, 3 vans (1 wheelchair accessible), Mileage and Vehicle repairs, Phone, laptop/software, quality printer, internet services, Misc. equipment & supplies, Staff training, Marketing materials and office supplies, additional registration, permits and other fees.</p>
<p>Requested funding for 2016-17</p>	<p>\$325,100</p>
<p>Estimated timeline for the project</p>	<p>12 months</p>