

**Developmental Services (DS) Task Force
System & Fiscal Reform Workgroup Meeting
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Use of Participant-Directed Services, July 2018 through August 2020

Table 1 reports the number of regional center consumers with service funding for five participant-directed services by month over the period July 2018 through August 2020: Day Care, Nursing Service, Respite, Transportation and Community-Based Training. Table 2 provides total Purchase of Service (POS) expenditures for those services. Both tables reflect the data the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) is able to identify in its databases of regional center information.

POS data for recent months is not complete because some claims for delivered services have not been submitted yet. The number of delayed claims can vary by service type. For example, based on historical claims data, current (October 2020) Participant-Directed Respite claims for May and August 2020 are estimated to be 96% and 20% complete, respectively; current Participant-Directed Nursing Service claims for May and August 2020 are estimated to be 91% and 23% complete, respectively. Grey shading in the tables indicates preliminary data that may not reflect actual use of these services.

Data is currently incomplete regarding use of participant direction for Personal Assistance, Independent Living Services and Supported Employment Programs pursuant to DDS' March 30, 2020 directive 01-033020: Additional Participant-Directed Services. In addition, these tables do not include services recorded by regional centers using other service codes. DDS is surveying regional centers to capture that information.

DDS will track use of all three types of participant-directed services ongoing.

Table 1. Caseload of Participant-Directed Services, July 2018 to August 2020					
Month and Year	Day Care (455)	Nursing Service (460)	Respite (465)	Transportation (470)	Community-Based Training (475)
July 2018	2,514	117	4,037	2,982	17
August 2018	2,554	114	4,036	3,052	19
September 2018	2,543	106	3,968	3,104	20
October 2018	2,538	109	4,150	3,124	18
November 2018	2,557	104	4,153	3,077	19
December 2018	2,557	106	4,093	3,085	19
January 2019	2,563	103	4,161	3,119	18
February 2019	2,580	105	4,198	3,123	17
March 2019	2,605	108	4,257	3,120	17
April 2019	2,604	105	4,387	3,130	19
May 2019	2,590	111	4,387	3,106	19
June 2019	2,577	109	4,342	3,055	21
July 2019	2,556	113	4,494	3,074	18
August 2019	2,586	111	4,497	3,114	21
September 2019	2,526	103	4,498	3,126	22
October 2019	2,520	109	4,611	3,132	24
November 2019	2,528	113	4,549	3,113	23
December 2019	2,476	109	4,450	3,054	23
January 2020	2,446	107	4,547	2,934	23
February 2020	2,367	107	4,453	2,792	24
March 2020	2,300	105	4,285	2,304	21
April 2020	2,104	85	4,077	807	16
May 2020	1,934	91	3,693	791	16
June 2020	1,574	84	3,498	802	15
July 2020	1,180	87	2,657	709	12
August 2020	575	32	217	399	1-10

Note: Values of one through ten are replaced by "1-10" to maintain confidentiality.

Table 2. Total POS of Participant-Directed Services, July 2018 to August 2020					
Month and Year	Day Care (455)	Nursing Service (460)	Respite (465)	Transportation (470)	Community-Based Training (475)
July 2018	\$1,724,419	\$514,814	\$1,787,544	\$549,088	\$10,518
August 2018	\$1,698,767	\$488,172	\$1,694,423	\$602,111	\$10,625
September 2018	\$1,439,428	\$442,403	\$1,618,030	\$538,015	\$11,997
October 2018	\$1,507,882	\$476,769	\$1,816,819	\$630,998	\$12,318
November 2018	\$1,513,535	\$489,775	\$1,762,761	\$546,970	\$11,563
December 2018	\$1,512,618	\$513,501	\$1,711,107	\$501,221	\$10,998
January 2019	\$1,547,338	\$537,012	\$1,859,187	\$584,859	\$12,793
February 2019	\$1,464,603	\$485,102	\$1,813,047	\$545,309	\$10,690
March 2019	\$1,511,026	\$530,025	\$1,841,166	\$588,154	\$9,913
April 2019	\$1,546,840	\$548,942	\$1,973,653	\$615,477	\$13,271
May 2019	\$1,511,810	\$593,218	\$1,939,395	\$614,588	\$11,270
June 2019	\$1,639,414	\$556,589	\$1,904,492	\$549,480	\$12,232
July 2019	\$1,799,179	\$613,003	\$2,124,910	\$595,301	\$12,158
August 2019	\$1,723,340	\$571,580	\$2,019,286	\$598,435	\$12,537
September 2019	\$1,458,367	\$514,943	\$2,003,341	\$575,682	\$13,128
October 2019	\$1,515,158	\$554,747	\$2,163,457	\$644,076	\$15,501
November 2019	\$1,513,564	\$556,659	\$2,084,240	\$543,038	\$13,902
December 2019	\$1,526,647	\$565,143	\$2,007,600	\$530,685	\$14,171
January 2020	\$1,540,158	\$565,434	\$2,293,943	\$560,794	\$15,375
February 2020	\$1,426,003	\$526,011	\$2,166,288	\$503,396	\$15,983
March 2020	\$1,526,162	\$555,003	\$2,191,491	\$334,713	\$12,822
April 2020	\$1,571,623	\$540,667	\$2,430,697	\$170,914	\$11,192
May 2020	\$1,363,054	\$544,168	\$2,253,157	\$159,546	\$11,780
June 2020	\$1,089,838	\$499,656	\$2,155,596	\$166,298	\$10,373
July 2020	\$753,918	\$499,716	\$1,691,242	\$149,961	\$7,761
August 2020	\$280,818	\$203,595	\$115,331	\$79,137	\$6,050

Source: DDS analysis of State Claims Files as of September 2020.

FY 2019/20 Expenditures and Consumer Counts for Participant Directed Services												
	P.D. - Day Care		P.D. - Nursing		P.D. - Respite		P.D. - Transportation		P.D. - Community Based Tr		TOTAL	
	Service Code 455		Service Code 460		Service Code 465		Service Code 470		Service Code 475		All Service Codes	All Consumers
Regional Center	Total Expenditures	Total FY Consumer Count	Total Expenditures	Total FY Consumer Count	Total Expenditures	Total FY Consumer Count	Total Expenditures	Total FY Consumer Count	Total Expenditures	Total FY Consumer Count	Total Expenditures	Total FY Consumer Count***
ACRC	\$ 459,369	96	\$ -	0	\$ 338,766	83	\$ 102,160	87	\$ -	0	\$ 900,295	266
CVRC	\$ 456,811	**	\$ -	0	\$ 4,868,844	1,629	\$ 1,571,188	943	\$ 23,969	*	\$ 6,920,812	2,654
ELARC	\$ 1,709,974	142	\$ -	0	\$ 356,020	42	\$ 37,757	23	\$ -	0	\$ 2,103,751	207
FDLRC	\$ 219,929	17	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ 197,779	69	\$ -	0	\$ 417,709	86
FNRC	\$ 103,905	*	\$ 870,598	15	\$ 44,523	12	\$ -	0	\$ 18,201	*	\$ 1,037,226	39
GGRC	\$ -	0	\$ 85,588	*	\$ 7,025,223	1,242	\$ 126,622	**	\$ -	0	\$ 7,237,433	1,355
HRC	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ 118,413	208	\$ -	0	\$ 118,413	208
IRC	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ 110	*	\$ 272,510	**	\$ -	0	\$ 272,620	247
KRC	\$ 186,748	21	\$ -	0	\$ 1,062,480	267	\$ 142,302	46	\$ -	0	\$ 1,391,530	334
NBRC	\$ 2,169,142	237	\$ 86,612	*	\$ -	0	\$ 63,991	**	\$ -	0	\$ 2,319,745	285
NLACRC	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ 381,475	210	\$ -	0	\$ 381,475	210
RCEB	\$ -	0	\$ 1,942,374	**	\$ -	0	\$ 6,016	*	\$ -	0	\$ 1,948,390	24
RCOC	\$ 937,454	120	\$ 1,384,893	58	\$ 1,718,401	449	\$ 306,189	222	\$ -	0	\$ 4,346,937	849
RCRC	\$ 29,623	*	\$ 185,875	*	\$ 35,789	16	\$ 6,776	*	\$ -	0	\$ 258,062	26
SARC	\$ 4,352,959	831	\$ 1,612,956	**	\$ 4,445,300	1,079	\$ 275,256	295	\$ 3,481	*	\$ 10,689,952	2,231
SCLARC	\$ 3,627	*	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ 60,631	**	\$ -	0	\$ 64,258	75
SDRC	\$ 825,856	**	\$ -	0	\$ 63,299	*	\$ 1,477,348	981	\$ -	0	\$ 2,366,503	1,102
SGPRC	\$ 53,558	*	\$ -	0	\$ 2,911	*	\$ 4,459	*	\$ 6,929	*	\$ 67,856	*
TCRC	\$ 4,749,935	1,316	\$ -	0	\$ 2,573,426	673	\$ 61,668	28	\$ 82,819	16	\$ 7,467,848	2,033
VMRC	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ 1,056	*	\$ -	0	\$ 1,056	*
WRC	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0
Total	\$ 16,258,888	2,987	\$ 6,168,896	131	\$ 22,535,092	5,504	\$ 5,213,597	3,594	\$ 135,399	25	\$ 50,311,872	12,241

*In accordance with DDS Data De-Identification Guidelines, counts between one and ten have been suppressed.

**In accordance with DDS Data De-Identification Guidelines, complementary cells have been suppressed.

***Duplicated total: consumers are counted once for each participant-directed service they receive.

Data source: State Claims 2020-08

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REPORTED POSITIVE COVID-19 TESTS AND DEATHS OF REGIONAL CENTER CONSUMERS

DATA PROVIDED BY REGIONAL CENTERS AS OF 10/30/20

These tables compile data provided to DDS by California's 21 regional centers. Updates received from each regional center every business day include information for individuals known to them to have tested positive for COVID-19. Data is provisional and may change as regional centers provide updates. Details regarding gender, age group, and self-reported ethnicity are retrieved from separate databases of information for all regional center consumers.

TABLE 1: CONSUMERS REPORTED AS COVID-19-POSITIVE, BY GENDER, AGE AND ETHNICITY				
CONSUMER CHARACTERISTICS	NUMBER OF CONSUMERS REPORTED AS HAVING TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19	THIS GROUP AS A SHARE OF ALL CONSUMERS REPORTED AS COVID-19 POSITIVE	FOR COMPARISON: NUMBER OF CONSUMERS AT ALL REGIONAL CENTERS	FOR COMPARISON: THIS GROUP AS A SHARE OF ALL CONSUMERS
TOTAL	3,351	100%	354,925	100%
GENDER ¹ : FEMALE	1,386	41%	121,088	34%
GENDER: MALE	1,963	59%	233,837	66%
AGE GROUP: 0 - 2 years	220	7%	41,573	12%
AGE GROUP: 3 - 17 years	507	15%	136,229	38%
AGE GROUP: 18 - 24 years	344	10%	50,113	14%
AGE GROUP: 25 - 34 years	560	17%	51,759	15%
AGE GROUP: 35 - 44 years	387	12%	28,473	8%
AGE GROUP: 45 - 64 years	878	26%	36,597	10%
AGE GROUP: 65 years and older	455	14%	10,181	3%
ETHNICITY: Asian	124	4%	33,169	9%
ETHNICITY: Black/African American	270	8%	30,400	9%
ETHNICITY: Hispanic	1,617	48%	141,589	40%
ETHNICITY: Other ²	190	6%	44,187	12%
ETHNICITY: White	1,150	34%	105,580	30%

Note: The availability of testing for COVID-19 varies. Changes in the number of reported COVID-positive consumers may include cases resulting from record reconciliation.

¹Two individuals do not have a listed gender.

²"Other" includes multiple ethnicities and individuals with no recorded ethnicity.

Source: DDS analysis of COVID-19 surveillance data provided by regional centers as of 10/30/20 and Client Master File data as of September 2020.

TABLE 2: CONSUMERS REPORTED AS COVID-19-POSITIVE, BY RESIDENCE TYPE				
RESIDENCE TYPE	NUMBER OF CONSUMERS REPORTED AS HAVING TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19	THIS GROUP AS A SHARE OF ALL CONSUMERS REPORTED AS COVID-19 POSITIVE	FOR COMPARISON: NUMBER OF CONSUMERS AT ALL REGIONAL CENTERS	FOR COMPARISON: THIS GROUP AS A SHARE OF ALL CONSUMERS
Community Care Facility (CCF)	615	18%	23,674	7%
Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) or ICF for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD)	106	3%	541	0%
ICF/DD-Habilitative (ICF/DD-H)	217	6%	3,718	1%
ICF/DD-Nursing (ICF/DD-N)	117	3%	2,166	1%
Family Home Agency (FHA)	19	1%	1,624	0%
Supported Living Services (SLS)	187	6%	9,278	3%
Independent Living Services (ILS)	167	5%	17,671	5%
Family	1,514	45%	287,400	81%
Own home	46	1%		
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	297	9%	1,026	0%
Other	66	2%	7,827	2%
Total	3,351	100%	354,925	100%

Note: The availability of testing for COVID-19 varies. Changes in the number of reported COVID-positive consumers may include cases resulting from record reconciliation.

Source: DDS analysis of COVID-19 surveillance data provided by regional centers as of 10/30/20 and Client Master File data as of September 2020.

TABLE 3: CONSUMERS REPORTED AS COVID-19-POSITIVE, BY REGIONAL CENTER				
REGIONAL CENTER	NUMBER OF CONSUMERS	THIS REGIONAL CENTER AS A SHARE OF ALL CONSUMERS REPORTED AS COVID-19 POSITIVE	FOR COMPARISON: NUMBER OF CONSUMERS AT ALL REGIONAL CENTERS	FOR COMPARISON: THIS GROUP AS A SHARE OF ALL CONSUMERS
ACRC	155	5%	25,489	7%
CVRC	307	9%	21,538	6%
ELARC	138	4%	12,393	3%
FDLRC	133	4%	10,904	3%
FNRC	35	1%	8,084	2%
GGRC	91	3%	9,467	3%
HRC	83	2%	14,784	4%
IRC	305	9%	38,298	11%
KRC	137	4%	10,115	3%
NBRC	74	2%	9,181	3%
NLACRC	261	8%	26,701	8%
RCEB	119	4%	21,489	6%
RCOC	195	6%	22,287	6%
RCRC	15	0%	4,015	1%
SARC	105	3%	17,392	5%
SCLARC	232	7%	17,613	5%
SDRC	236	7%	31,791	9%
SGPRC	255	8%	13,665	4%
TCRC	195	6%	15,194	4%
VMRC	189	6%	15,402	4%
WRC	91	3%	9,123	3%
Total	3,351	100%	354,925	100%

Note: The availability of testing for COVID-19 varies. Changes in the number of reported COVID-positive consumers may include cases resulting from record reconciliation.

Source: DDS analysis of COVID-19 surveillance data provided by regional centers as of 10/30/20 and Client Master File data as of September 2020.

TABLE 4: REPORTED NUMBER OF DEATHS OF CONSUMERS WHO TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19, BY RESIDENCE TYPE				
RESIDENCE TYPE	NUMBER OF CONSUMERS	THIS GROUP AS A SHARE OF ALL DECEASED CONSUMERS REPORTED AS COVID-19 POSITIVE	FOR COMPARISON: NUMBER OF CONSUMERS AT ALL REGIONAL CENTERS	FOR COMPARISON: THIS GROUP AS A SHARE OF ALL CONSUMERS
Community Care Facility (CCF)	25	14%	23,674	7%
Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) or ICF for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD)	*	*	541	0%
ICF/DD-Habilitative (ICF/DD-H)	15	9%	3,718	1%
ICF/DD-Nursing (ICF/DD-N)	15	9%	2,166	1%
Family Home Agency	0	0%	1,624	0%
Supported Living Services (SLS)	13	7%	9,278	3%
Independent Living Services (ILS)	*	*	17,671	5%
Family Own Home	31 *	18% *	287,400	81%
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	60	34%	1,026	0%
Other	*	*	7,827	2%
Total	174	100%	354,925	100%

Note: The availability of testing for COVID-19 varies. Changes in the number of reported COVID-positive consumers may include cases resulting from record reconciliation.

*In accordance with DDS Data De-Identification Guidelines, counts between one and ten and complementary cells have been suppressed.

Source: DDS analysis of COVID-19 surveillance data provided by regional centers as of 10/30/20 and Client Master File data as of September 2020.

Select Figures and Tables from COVID-19 Weekly Surveillance Report, 10/31/20

Figure 1. Number of consumers newly reported as COVID-19 positive, by week

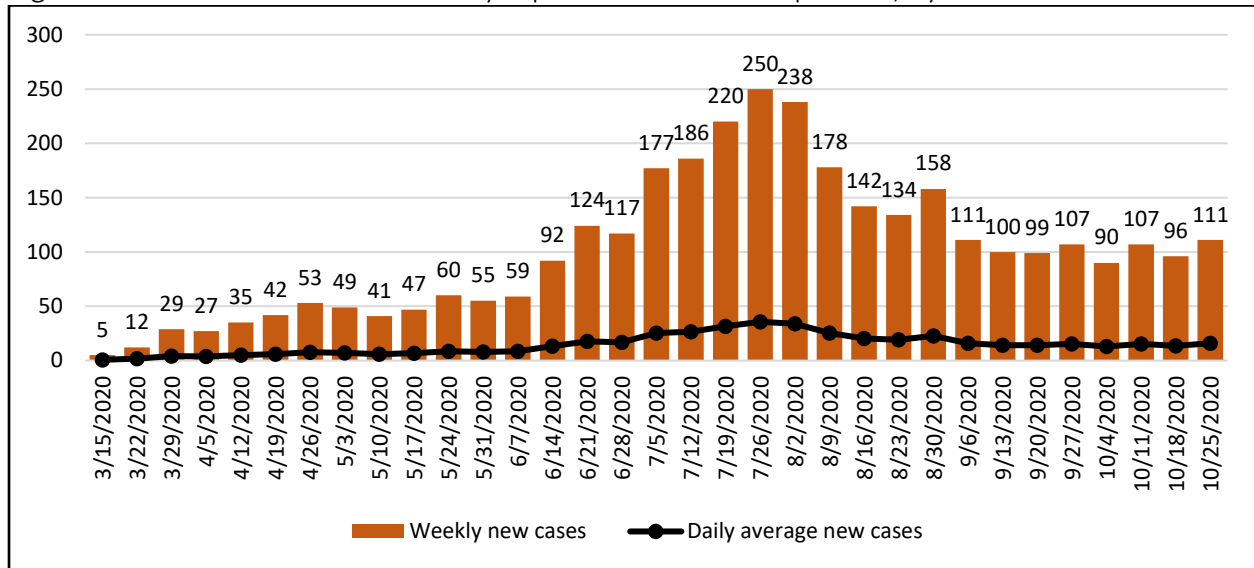
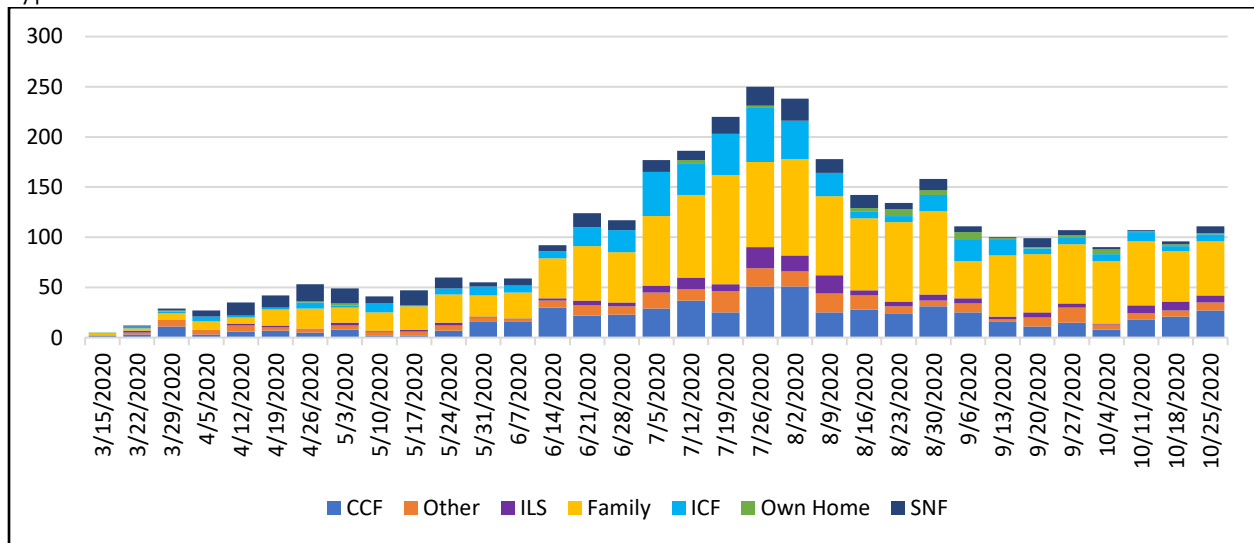


Figure 2. Number of consumers newly reported as COVID-19 positive, by week and residence type



Notes: CCF includes ARF, ARFPSHN, CCH, CCF-Level 3S/4I/113, RCFE, SRF; ICF includes ICF/DD-H, ICF/DD-N and ICF-DD. Family includes family, parent’s home, group home, FFA, FHA; Other includes county child welfare placement, jail, homeless, EBSH, SLS. Consumers categorized in ILS may live with families or independently.

Figure 3. Number of consumers newly reported as COVID-19 positive, by week (truncated)

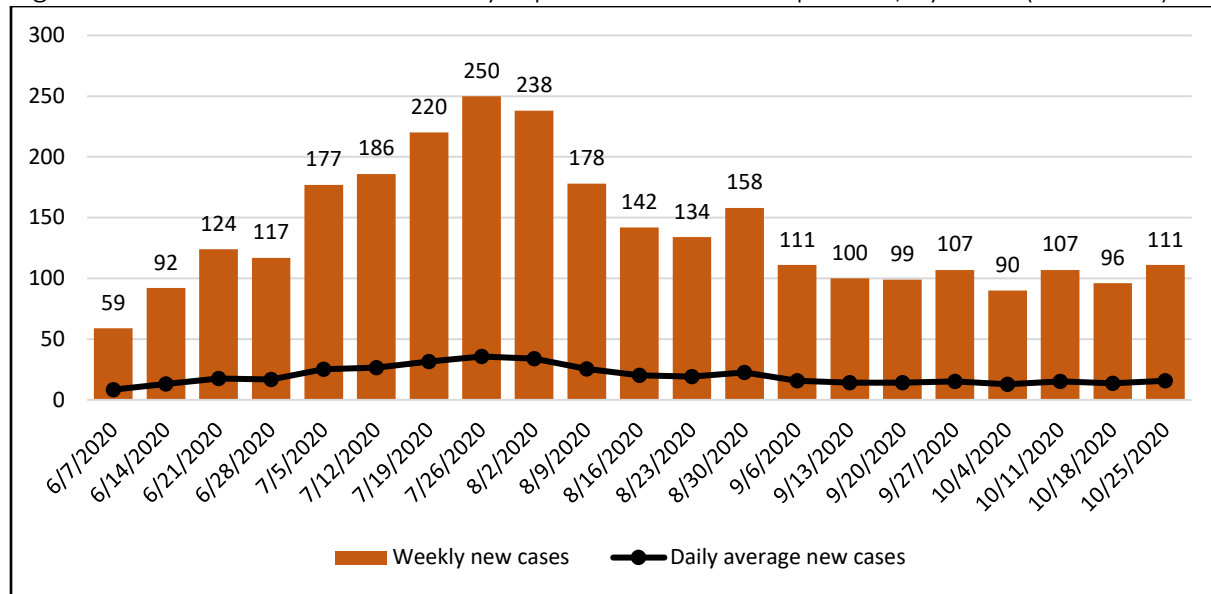
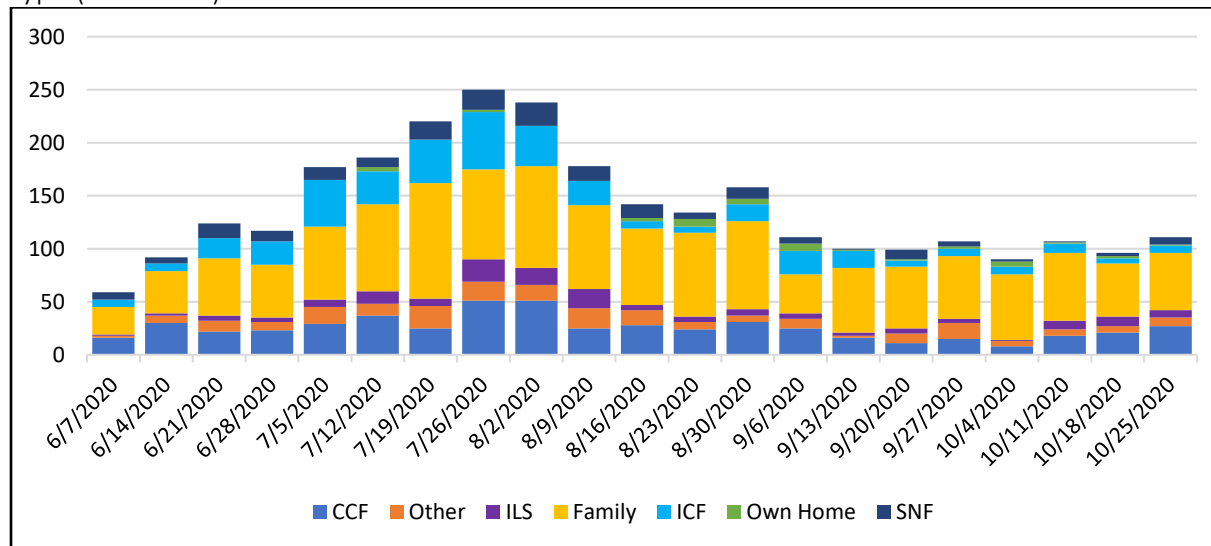


Figure 4. Number of consumers newly reported as COVID-19 positive, by week and residence type (truncated)



Self-Determination Program - Regional Center Report Summary
Summary of Data for Continuing Participants
Updated from October 2020 Reports*

		Regional Center Self-Reporting										DDS Informational System		
SDP Spaces at Each RC	Total Selected	Total Withdrawals (2018 to Date)	Continuing Participants	Number of Continuing Participants Who Completed an Orientation*	Percentage of Continuing Participants Who Completed an Orientation **	Number of Continuing Participants Who Have an Individual Budget Certified*	Percentage of Continuing Participants Who Have an Individual Budget Certified **	Number of Continuing Participants Who Have a Spending Plan Completed*	Percentage of Continuing Participants Who Have a Spending Plan Completed **	Number of Continuing Participants Who Have Obtained an FMS *	Percentage of Continuing Participants Who Have Obtained an FMS **	Number of Participants Who Have Begun Services Through SDP (Pilot Participants)		
ACRC	179	267	153	114	84	74%	6	5%	5	4%	4	4%	4	
CVRC	140	185	59	126	115	91%	60	48%	23	18%	23	18%	20	
ELARC	110	146	51	95	89	94%	29	31%	22	23%	26	27%	26 (17)	
FDLRC	73	90	39	51	48	94%	15	29%	13	25%	13	25%	11	
FNRC	60	85	33	52	40	77%	32	62%	24	46%	24	46%	24	
GGRC	68	89	26	63	52	83%	7	11%	4	6%	4	6%	4	
HRC	99	128	37	91	86	95%	24	26%	13	14%	13	14%	13	
IRC	256	317	45	272	177	65%	13	5%	12	4%	10	4%	11	
KRC	95	133	56	77	76	99%	35	45%	37	48%	38	49%	37 (28)	
NBRC	66	87	18	69	52	75%	5	7%	2	3%	5	7%	2	
NLACRC	183	230	70	160	145	91%	15	9%	12	8%	3	2%	12	
RCEB	154	193	60	133	114	86%	19	14%	11	8%	10	8%	18	
RCOC	151	203	57	146	135	92%	52	36%	15	10%	14	10%	14	
RCRC	55	65	12	53	52	98%	38	72%	36	68%	35	66%	34 (22)	
SARC	125	158	54	104	93	89%	31	30%	22	21%	17	16%	24	
SCLARC	110	139	40	99	96	97%	7	7%	3	3%	3	3%	3	
SDRC	207	271	68	203	155	76%	52	26%	39	19%	33	16%	34 (2)	
SGPRC	95	146	76	70	56	80%	13	19%	11	16%	11	16%	11	
TCRC	110	177	123	54	50	93%	18	33%	14	26%	10	19%	9 (2)	
VMRC	100	132	32	100	74	74%	44	44%	29	29%	31	31%	32	
WRC	64	83	14	69	65	94%	34	49%	14	20%	14	20%	13	
Statewide Totals	2500	3324	1123	2201	1854	84%	549	25%	361	16%	341	15%	356	72 Pilot Participants

Notes: *Participants may engage in multiple activities related to program implementation simultaneously; numbers may be duplicative in each category and do not include participants in the process of completing a milestone.

**For the columns that express percentages, the percentage is out of the number of continuing participants.

California Alignment with the HCBS Final Rule - Timeline

The federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issued requirements referred to as the Home and Community -Based Services (HCBS) Final Rule, which affect services provided to individuals with developmental disabilities through California’s regional center system. The HCBS Final Rule focuses on the nature and quality of individuals’ experiences and not just the settings where the services are delivered. The Final Rule was developed to ensure that individuals have full access to the benefits of community living and the opportunity to receive services in the most integrated setting appropriate. This chart explains the steps taken by the California Department of Developmental Services to be in alignment with the HCBS Final Rule by March 2023.

DDS HCBS Compliance Milestones	Timeline									
	2020		2021				2022			2023
SELF-ASSESSMENT										
Providers of regional center services are required to complete a self-assessment to measure their current level of compliance with the Final Rule. <i>Date extended in response to COVID</i>	January-August 2020									
ON-SITE ASSESSMENTS										
As a validation of the self-assessments, a random sample of on-site assessments will be conducted. <i>Date extended in response to COVID</i>			July 2020-June 2021							
ADDITIONAL REVIEW										
Some providers may require additional review, based on not having completed a self-assessment or heightened scrutiny, in order to verify that services are aligned with the Final Rule. <i>Date extended in response to COVID</i>		June 2020-June 2021								
ALIGNING SERVICES										
Develop and implement plans to address issues identified during the self-assessment, on-site assessment, and/or stakeholder input process.			August 2020-December 2022							
REGULATORY REVIEW										
Make necessary changes based on assessment of statute and regulations to ensure California alignment with the Final Rule.			June 2020-December 2022							

MEDICAID FUNDED PROGRAMS

- **Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver** – DDS received approval to begin invoicing for this program in November 1982, effective retroactively to July 1, 1982.

The Home and Community-Based Service Waiver (HCBS Waiver) enables DDS to receive federal funding for community-based services and supports provided to Medi-Cal eligible individuals who, without these services would require the level of care provided by an institution or intermediate care facility.

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision: \$2,576,005,000
- Population count as of 6/30/2020: 136,288

- **1915(i) State Plan Amendment (SPA)** - DDS received approval on April 25, 2013 to begin invoicing for this program, effective retroactively to October 1, 2009.

The 1915(i) SPA provides federal funding for Home and Community Based Services for individuals who do not meet the level of care requirements as described under the HCBS Waiver above.

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision: \$405,848,000
- Population count as of 6/30/2020: 54,856

- **Targeted Case Management (TCM)** – DDS began receiving reimbursement for TCM services effective January 1, 1995.

The TCM Program provides federal funding for specialized case management services for individuals in a defined target population (in this case, for individuals with developmental disabilities.)

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision: \$245,116,000

- **Intermediate Care Facility-Developmentally Disabled (ICF-DD) State Plan Amendment (SPA)** – DDS received approval on April 15, 2011 to begin invoicing for this program, effective retroactively to July 1, 2007.

This program provides federal funding for day program and transportation services for individuals who reside in an ICF.

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision: \$62,235,000

- **Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT)** - DDS received approval on October 9, 2015 to begin invoicing for this program, effective retroactively to October 1, 2011.

EPSDT covers a wide array of supplemental Medi-Cal services for individuals under the age of 21, the vast majority of which are not part of the DDS budget. However, DDS does receive federal reimbursement for infant development services for children under the age of three who receive services through the Early Start program.

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision: \$32,895,000

- **Behavioral Health Treatment (BHT)** – DDS began submitting invoices for reimbursement of BHT services in September 2017

Beginning in 2016, funding responsibility for BHT (also commonly referred to by other terms including behavior intervention or applied behavioral analysis,) transitioned to the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) after the state received federal approval of a State Plan Amendment to provide BHT as an EPSDT benefit. The transition occurred in two stages. In 2016 funding for services for individuals with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder transitioned to DHCS. In 2018, funding for services for all other Medi-Cal eligible consumers transitioned to DHCS. The exception to this transition is for children who receive Medi-Cal services on a fee-for-service (FFS) basis. Regional centers continue to coordinate and purchase services for these children, and DDS receives reimbursement from DHCS.

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision: \$13,806,000

- **Clinical Support Teams (Medicaid Administration)** – California began receiving reimbursement for Clinical Support Teams effective July 1997.

Clinical Support Teams assist the regional centers to adequately monitor the health care of consumers with severe behavior and/or medical programs by providing health-related consultation to consumers and their families.

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision: \$14,553,000

OTHER PROGRAMS

- **Title XX Block Grant/Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)** – California began receiving Title XX funds in 1981.

DDS receives Title XX Block Grant funds through the Department of Social Services. These funds are used to fund Purchase of Service expenditures that are not funded through other programs.

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision:
\$213,421,000

- **Early Start –**

The Early Start program is California's early intervention program for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. Part C of the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) provides federal grant funding to help fund this program.

- Estimated Reimbursement FY 20-21 based on 2020 May Revision:
\$53,106,000
- Population count as of 6/30/20: 46,361

Developmental Services Task Force System & Fiscal Reform Workgroup

**January 15, 2020
Breakout Discussion Themes**

The System & Fiscal Reform Workgroup is charged with identifying issues consumers face and providing recommendations to the DS Task Force for creating a sustainable, consumer-focused, innovative, cost-effective, and outcomes-based developmental services delivery system. Below is a summary of questions and common themes from the workgroup's discussion on system improvement in January 2020.

Some of the questions the workgroup may want to discuss in the upcoming meeting could include: Have any of these themes changed? Are there themes that should be added? Of these themes, what are the highest priorities for consumers and families during the COVID-19 State of Emergency and beyond?

1) *What is working well?*

- Community Integration
- Employment Programs/Initiatives
- Innovative/Flexible Services
- Person-Centered Planning
- Self-Determination Program
- System Collaboration – Department, Regional Centers, Stakeholders, etc.
- Timely Payment for Services

2) *What's teed up but not fully operationalized?*

- Caseload Ratios
- Disparity Initiatives
- Employment Programs/Initiatives
- HCBS Compliance
- Housing Access/Resources
- Rate Study/Rate Reform
- Safety/Safety Net
- Self-Determination Program

3) *What system improvements would you like to see?*

- Administrative Process – Reducing administrative burdens
- Aging Population
- Caseload Ratios
- Community Integration
- Consumer Choice/Outcomes
- Performance Incentives/Pay
- Professional Development – Training for regional center staff
- Rate Study/Rate Reform
- Services for Autism, Aging, and Dual Diagnosis Populations
- System Funding
- Transition Services – Transitioning out of Early Start or out of school

4) *What measures should we focus on?*

- Community Integration/Engagement
- Consumer Choice/Outcomes
- Consumer Satisfaction
- Disparity
- Direct Service Providers – Improve job satisfaction, reduce turnover
- Employment Programs/Initiatives
- Housing Access/Resources
- Person-Centered Planning
- Quality Assurance
- System Navigation

5) *What topics related to system reform should we address at future meetings?*

- Caseload Ratios
- Consumer Satisfaction/Outcomes
- Disparity Initiatives
- Employment Programs/Initiatives
- HCBS Compliance
- Purchase of Service IT Systems
- Rate Study/Rate Reform
- Regional Center Funding
- Self-Determination
- System Sustainability