

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 Clients received that are paid for by the regional center. This POS expenditure data does not include the cost of services Clients 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 Clients received during Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-12 based on regional center POS state claim data that was provided to DDS as of December 31, 2012. The regional center may still make payments for services provided to Clients during FY 2011-12 up until June 2014.

2. Client Count

The total number of Clients who received services during the fiscal year will be greater than the regional center's actual caseload. A Client is included in the data if the Client received a regional center funded service at any time during the fiscal year. A Client who received a single service once during the year is counted the same as a Client who received ongoing monthly services. The Client is also counted regardless of their current status with the regional center. The data may include Clients whose current status is closed, transferred-out, in-active, etc. if the Client received regional center services during FY 2011-12.

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 Clients 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, transportation services and supported employment program (SEP) group services. Therefore, the total amount of POS expenditures reported will not reconcile with the regional center's actual POS expenditures for FY 2011-12.

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. Grouping of Purchase of Service Costs

Since many Clients served by regional centers have more than one diagnosis, to avoid duplicate counting of Clients' costs, Client costs were grouped as follows:

Autism: Any Client with a diagnosis of Autism, regardless of any other diagnosis that the Client may also have.

Intellectual Disability: Any Client with a diagnosis of Intellectual Disability who **does not** also have a diagnosis of Autism, **but may also have** a diagnosis of Cerebral Palsy, Epilepsy, Category 5, and/or Other.

Cerebral Palsy: Any Client with a diagnosis of Cerebral Palsy who **does not** also have a diagnosis of Autism and/or Intellectual Disability **but may also have** a diagnosis of Epilepsy, Category 5, and/or Other.

Epilepsy: any Client with a diagnosis of Epilepsy who **does not** also have a diagnosis of Autism, Intellectual Disability, and/or Cerebral Palsy **but may also have** Category 5, and/or Other.

Category 5: any Client with a diagnosis of Category 5 who **does not** also have a diagnosis of Autism, Intellectual Disability, Cerebral Palsy, and/or Epilepsy **but may also have** a diagnosis of Other.

Other: any Client with a diagnosis of Other who **did not** also have a diagnosis of Autism, Intellectual Disability, Cerebral Palsy, Epilepsy, and/or Category 5. This includes clients that have been determined to have "no diagnosis".

6. Category 5 Clients

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