

BEFORE THE  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS  
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of:

CLAIMANT

and

INLAND REGIONAL CENTER,

Service Agency.

OAH No. 2017120051

DECISION

Administrative Law Judge Abraham M. Levy, State of California, Office of Administrative Hearings, heard this matter in San Bernardino, California on January 3, 2018.

Claimant's mother represented claimant, who was present.

Senait Teweldebrhan, Consumer Services Representative, Fair Hearings and Legal Affairs, represented Inland Regional Center (IRC).

ISSUE

Is claimant eligible for regional center services under the Intellectual Disability category?

FACTUAL FINDINGS

1. Claimant is 44 years old and applied for regional center services. In a letter dated November 2, 2017, IRC denied claimant's request and also decided that no intake services can be provided under Welfare and Institutions Code sections 4642 and 4643

because claimant did not provide records to show that she has a disability that qualifies her for regional center services.

On November 11, 2017, claimant's authorized representative who is also her therapist, Juanita Rodriguez, LCSW, submitted a fair hearing request to appeal IRC's proposed action. In this request Ms. Rodriguez stated that claimant "needs more time to get evaluation showing Developmental Disability unable [*sic*] to perform self-care and required supervision."

2. On January 2, 2018, the record was opened and IRC staff psychologist, Sandra Brooks, Psy.D., and claimant's mother testified. The parties then conferenced and entered into the following stipulation: IRC will perform assessment services under Section 4643 to determine whether or not claimant is eligible for regional center services under the Intellectual Disability category. These assessment services may include "evaluations and tests, including, but not limited to, intelligence tests, adaptive functioning tests, neurological and neuropsychological tests, diagnostic tests performed by a physician, psychiatric tests, and other tests or evaluations that have been performed by, and are available from, other sources. . . ." (Welf. & Inst. Code, § 4643, subd. (b).) IRC will provide claimant with written notice of its determination after this assessment is completed. Claimant's right to appeal IRC's determination is specifically preserved.

## ORDER

Pursuant to the parties' January 2, 2018, stipulation, Inland Regional Center will perform initial intake and assessment services of claimant pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 4643 to determine whether claimant qualifies for regional center services under the Intellectual Disability category. After this intake is performed, IRC will provide claimant with written notice of its determination.

DATED: January 4, 2018

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ABRAHAM M. LEVY  
Administrative Law Judge  
Office of Administrative Hearings

NOTICE

**This is the final administrative decision; both parties are bound by this decision. Either party may appeal this decision to a court of competent jurisdiction within 90 days.**