

FOOTHILLS GATEWAY, INC.

Resource Allocation Committee (RAC)-(Supported Living Services)

PURPOSE:

- The purpose of the Resource Allocation Committee (RAC) is to provide an objective and consistent approach to the allocation of State Supported Living Services (SLS) funds.
- State SLS offers an individual the opportunity to select supports and services from an approved “menu” of services.
- Information about all services and their specific costs is available to participants and families.
- Admission to the State SLS program does not guarantee any particular services or supports or resource amount, but rather, requires the individual to select services to meet their needs and prioritize needed services given available funding.
- The RAC meets once each month and more frequently if necessary.

PROCEDURE:

- The RAC consists of Foothills Gateway staff from Case Management and SLS/CES, Program Approved Service Agencies (PASAs).
- Decisions are made by consensus. A majority of RAC members must be in agreement for decisions on allocations.
- The RAC is responsible for recruiting members and training new committee members.
- When a RAC member is directly involved with an interdisciplinary team (IDT), the member will abstain from voting.
- RAC members not employed by Foothills Gateway, Inc. will sign a confidentiality statement.

The committee approves plans based on:

1. Criticality of Services:

- Health and Safety Issues (meeting Health and Safety issues is the highest priority)
- Independent living issues
- Family stability

2. Individual Characteristics:

- Adaptive living skills
- Behavioral, psychiatric, legal issues
- Community safety skills
- Self-preservation skills

3. Availability of Outside Funds/Supports:

- Availability of generic services
- Family members
- Other natural supports

- Financial resources

4. Allow ability of services under SLS guidelines.
5. Availability of SLS funding and contract limitations.
6. Utilization of current resources (if currently in SLS).

If an individual in service and/or guardian does not agree with a decision, he or she may request another review by contacting the Case Manager or follow complaint/grievance procedure.

8/03... 6/12; 12/13; 7/15