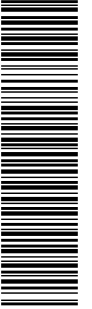


An act to add Section 4519.1 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to developmental services.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 4519.1 is added to the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read:

4519.1. (a) (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to modernize the department's financial and case management information technology systems for use by regional centers through the development and implementation of the Life Outcomes Improvement System (LOIS). LOIS shall serve as the system used by all regional centers to improve the user experience, promote access, and manage eligibility and services for individuals and families who are applying for or receiving regional center services.

(2) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(A) LOIS is intended to provide a more consistent statewide experience for individuals and families, regional centers, and service providers.

(B) LOIS is intended to enable individuals, families, and service providers to access and update their own information.

(C) LOIS is intended to simplify the complexity of information technology support needs for the delivery of developmental services and eliminate costly duplications and redundancies and data reconciliation and transfers.

(D) LOIS is intended to enable more robust, timely, complete, and consistent data collection, reporting, and analysis capabilities, enabling better management of regional centers, services to individuals and families, and improved information for oversight, monitoring, and policymaking.

(b) For purposes of this section, LOIS constitutes an "enterprise system," as defined in Section 7922.700 of the Government Code.

(c) Beginning July 1, 2026, regional centers shall do all of the following to prepare for and assist the transition from their existing information technology systems to LOIS:

(1) Notify the department of any plans to permit or actions permitting third-party applications or information technology systems to access data of any of the following:

(A) Individuals applying for or receiving regional center services, and their families.

(B) Service provider information.

(C) Financial information.

(D) Regional center operations.

(2) Notify the department of any plans to use any new information technology systems that will do either of the following:

(A) Collect, retain, or transmit information described in paragraph (1).

(B) Replicate, enhance, or replace the existing functionality of existing systems.

(3) Prohibit both the transitioning of, or planning the transition of, any existing case management system, such as SANDIS, Virtual Chart, SmartChart, KEA, Atlas, and Atticus, to solutions other than LOIS, without prior written approval from the department.

(4) Prioritize data cleanup and other transitional activities necessary to prepare for the implementation of LOIS, as directed by the department.

(d) Upon readiness of LOIS for implementation, each regional center shall discontinue the use of all other case management and financial technology systems, following instructions from the department. The transition to implementation of LOIS

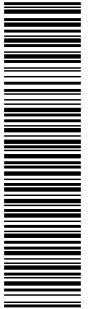


shall be designed and implemented to minimize disruptions for individuals and families and regional center operations.

(e) Notwithstanding the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code), the department may implement and make specific the provisions of this section by means of written directives or similar instructions consistent with this section.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.
as introduced, _____.
General Subject: Life Outcomes Improvement System.

Existing law, the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act, requires the State Department of Developmental Services to contract with regional centers for the provision of community services and supports for persons with developmental disabilities and their families.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to modernize the department's financial and case management information technology systems for use by regional centers through the development and implementation of the Life Outcomes Improvement System (LOIS), and would require LOIS to serve as the system used by all regional centers to improve the user experience, promote access, and manage eligibility and services for individuals and families who are applying for or receiving regional center services. The bill would prescribe requirements for regional centers to prepare for and assist the transition from their existing information technology systems to LOIS, as specified, and upon readiness of LOIS for implementation, would require each regional center to discontinue the use of all other case management and financial technology systems. The bill would authorize the department to implement and make specific these provisions by means of written directives or similar instructions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

