

San Mateo County Special Education Local Plan Area SELPA

Support, Services and Connections



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SELPA Team

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SELPA Governing Board

Member	Local Education Agency	Size	Term
Anne Campbell	San Mateo County Office of Education		No Term Limit
Anthony Ranii	Hillsborough City Elementary	Over 1,500	2016 - 2018
Amy Wooliever	La Honda-Pescadero	Unified School District	2015-2017
Kevin Skelly	San Mateo Union High	High School District	2015-2017
Beth Polito	Woodside School District	Under 1,500	2016 - 2018
Audra Pittman	Bayshore Elementary	Under 1,500	2016 - 2018
Maggie MacIsaac	Burlingame	Over 1,500	2016 - 2018
Bernardo Vidales	Jefferson Elementary	Over 1,500	2015-2017

SELPA Responsibilities Mandated by Ed Code

- **Fiscal oversight and grant implementation**
- **Service delivery and program evaluation**
- **Professional development**
- **Interagency coordination**
- **Compliance support**
- **Community and parent interaction**

SELPA Goals for 2016 - 2017

- Support LEAs in continued **monitoring and implementation of high-quality, compliant programs**. Focus on issues related to Significant Disproportionality, Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) and Common Core State Standards.
- Support LEAs in provision of **service delivery** in the area of mental health supports, including development of quality services related to *Cognitive Behavioral Therapy*.
- Provide LEAs **professional development** related to the shift from discrepancy model to *Pattern of Strengths and Weaknesses* (PSW) assessment practices for identification of students with Specific Learning Disabilities.

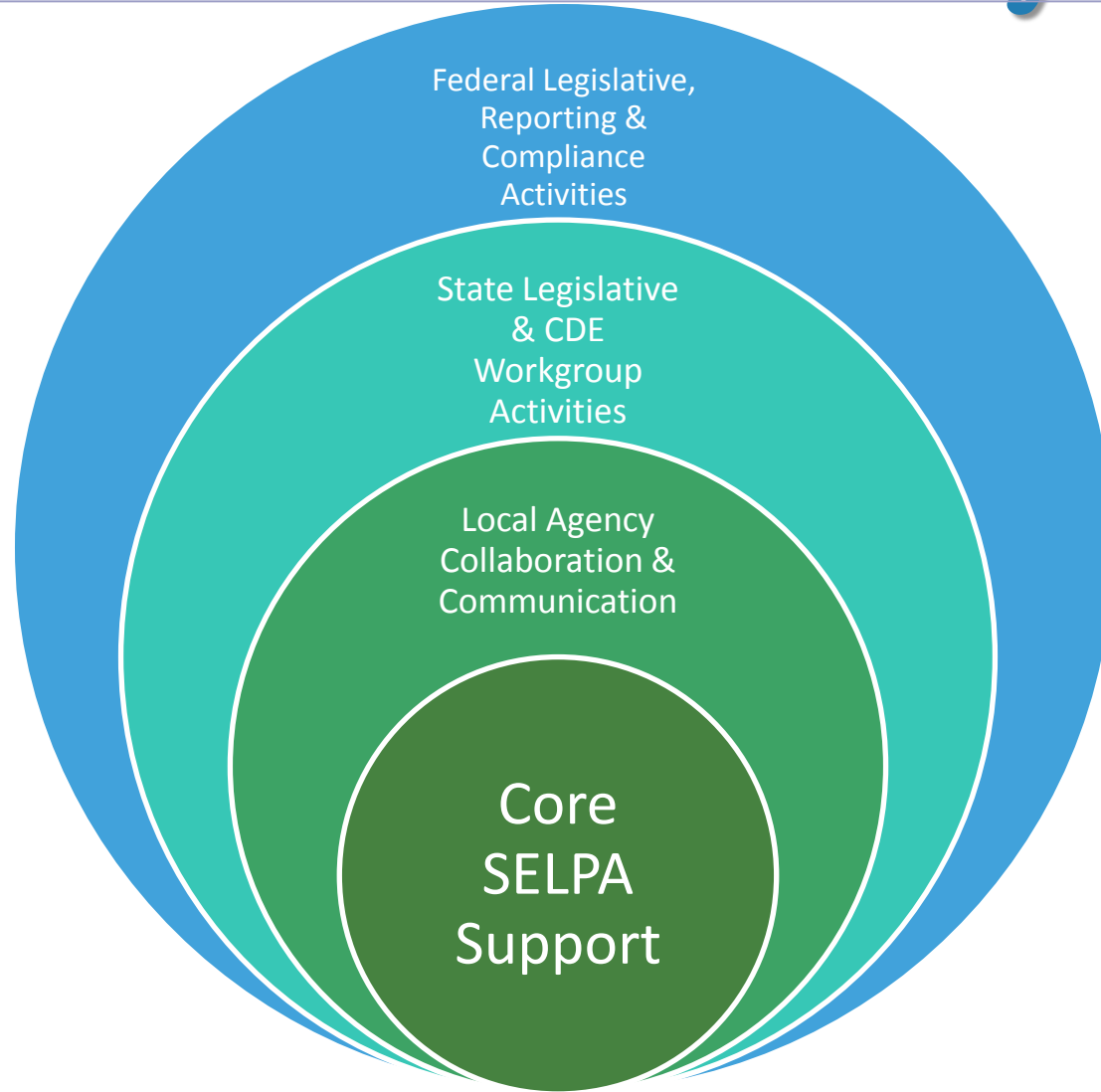


SELPA Goals for 2016 - 2017

- Provide training and leadership in **budget planning and oversight** to LEA Directors.
- Coordinate facilitation skills training to enhance mediation and **alternative dispute resolution** skills throughout the SELPA within all levels of staff.
- Provide ongoing **alternative dispute resolution** support in response to **compliance** complaints and as preventative measures in the SELPA.



SELPA in the Community



SELPA LCI Program

What happens to students placed in Group or Foster homes, or LCIs?



SELPA is contacted by Districts or Foster Youth Educational Liaisons



Students *without* IEPs are placed in the General Education program of the district in which the LCI is located.



Students *with* IEPs are placed in services that most closely match their current IEP. If the parents live *outside* of this SELPA, that will be in the district in which the LCI is located (unless the student requires an NPS or SMCOE placement. Then, they fall under the SMCOE). If the parents live *in* this SELPA, that will be in the district in which the *parents* reside.

Mental Health Supports

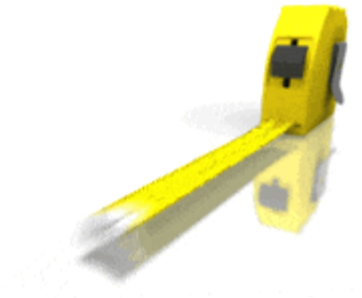
SELPA continues to provide local and regional support for the growth and implementation of quality and compliant mental health programs.

Pacifica has in house supports to provide the majority of their mental health services and uses SELPA resources, such as Natasha King consultation regarding program development and fiscal monitoring.

- Access to OWLS and HealthMaster
- Access to SELPA support services for challenging placements and cases

Purpose and Goals for Tools

- Advise and help build, support, and leverage legally defensible programs for all our students.
- **Support/train in following areas:**
 - progress monitoring
 - data collection
 - documentation
- Build consistency among programs, continuity of care, and strong communication between providers.



Support to Families and Staff

We are a fledgling on-line community!



**Leveled SEIS Trainings
Best Practices; the IEP
Process**

**In-Depth Sample IEP Training
Overview of Legal Concepts
Topics on Request**

**Speech Pathology Group
Diagnostic Center North**

**South County Special
Olympics**



Appropriate Dispute Resolution

Local Support and Services

Local activities in North County have included:

Case consultation with Director upon request; direction and support around specialized interventions

Support for placement and services from SELPA team members as needed

Low Incidence Funding for specialized equipment

Coaching of staff members to build capacity in a variety of areas

Facilitated IEPs to reduce conflict in challenging cases, all with positive resolution

Provide PD on a variety of requested/specific topics for the district.

Questions?
Requests? Any other needs?

