

# SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER

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Assemblymember Lisa Calderon  
State Capitol, Room 2137  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 445 – SUPPORT**

Honorable Assemblymember Calderon:

San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center (SG/PRC) is offering support for your bill AB 445.

San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center is a non-profit entity created through statute for the purpose of providing counselling, diagnostic assessment, and ensuring the delivery of community-based services and supports for individuals with developmental disabilities. San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center serves approximately 14,000 individuals with developmental disabilities and their families that live in Los Angeles County, El Monte, and Foothill Health Districts.

Our organization supports AB 445. Your bill removes personal, sensitive information disclosure requirements that are not criteria relied on to determine eligibility for regional center services based on a qualifying condition as stated within WIC Sections 4512(a) & (l).

The obvious unintended consequence when requiring the collection of unrelated information or data is the applicant's failure to proceed in the application process or delay in receiving critical services. Both outcomes are severely harmful in preserving the impact of the presenting developmental disability. Also, your bill simultaneously eliminates inefficient procedure and creates regional center operations expense savings. Exceedingly, your bill encourages prudent public policy.

San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center strongly supports your bill. AB 445 is timely and furthers the mission of San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center in creating a society where all individuals with developmental disabilities are fully included within all aspects of community life.

Please know that San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center is thankful for your thoughtfulness and your time allocated pursuing the necessary outcome of AB 445.

With best regards,



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