



# Provider Advisory Committee

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Substance Abuse Prevention and Control  
County of Los Angeles Health Agency & Department of Public Health

## Provider Advisory Committee (PAC)

- DPH-SAPC recognizes that provider input is critical to the success and growth of the Prevention and the County's specialty substance use disorder (SUD) system.
- As DPH-SAPC evolves, there was a continuing need to expand its stakeholder process to ensure that the perspective of its providers is considered in its network-wide policy decisions.
- Gaining the perspective of over 100 prevention and treatment provider agencies is challenging, necessitating a single provider group representing DPH-SAPC's network of providers to ensure a more organized and feasible stakeholder process.
- To ensure that patient and provider perspectives are considered in network-wide policy decisions DPH-SAPC developed the Provider Advisory Committee.

## Provider Advisory Committee (PAC) cont.

- PAC was established in 2019 as a mechanism to seek meaningful stakeholder participation where the entire SUD provider network had the opportunity to advise DPH-SAPC on system-wide developments.
- PAC members meet, at a minimum, on a bimonthly basis
- PAC members represent diverse population(s) served (e.g., youth, homeless, criminal justice) and levels of care provided by their respective agencies.
- PAC members act as community leaders by discussing and disseminating SUD system policies throughout the SUD provider network.

## PAC Member Open Seats and Expectations

- There are currently 4 open seats on the PAC for the July 2021-June 2023 term
- PAC Membership is open to any SAPC contracted SUD provider staff, with prior approval from the Executive Director or designee of the agency
- PAC Members are expected to have a working understanding of SUD system policies and procedures, state regulations and certification standards
- PAC Members must commit to meeting on a bi-monthly basis and dedicate additional hours a month to participate in specific policy advisory workgroups.



# PAC Application Process

- DPH-SAPC staff will review all applications to ensure candidates meet established criteria and advance each completed application to the PAC Selection Committee for review.
- Each completed application will be considered and discussed by the PAC Selection Committee.
- The PAC Selection Committee is comprised of 9 individuals including the PAC Co-Chair, 3 additional PAC members and 5 SAPC Staff.
- All applicants will be notified of the final selection decision
- Applications will be available by **June 15, 2021** and are to be submitted no later than **June 30, 2021**.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
 Substance Abuse Prevention and Control  
 Provider Advisory Committee  
 2021 Member Application

**Application Instructions**

*Background.* The Department of Public Health (DPH), Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC) values provider input and sees it as central to creating and sustaining a comprehensive and effective continuum of substance use disorder (SUD) prevention, treatment, and recovery services that meets the diverse needs of Los Angeles County residents. As the continuum of care evolves, SAPC seeks meaningful stakeholder participation to effectively consider the patient and provider perspective in network-wide policy decisions. Therefore, SAPC convened a Provider Advisory Committee (PAC) to promote effective and patient-centered prevention and treatment services. The PAC serves as an advisory body to SAPC and engages in an ongoing process to ensure SUD services are developed with the insight and knowledge of key stakeholders from SAPC’s provider network. In addition, SAPC staff from across the Division participate to provide a multi-disciplinary knowledge base.

*Application Form and Process.* This application is divided into seven sections: 1) Personal Information, 2) Credentials, 3) Employment History, 4) Areas of Expertise, 5) Supplemental Questions, 6) Agency Approval, and 7) Disclaimer and Signature. Each section must be completed in its entirety. Section 5 will be reviewed based on the candidate’s ability to fully respond to the question and provide relevant information to address the question asked. Please ensure that answers are concise and remain on topic. Staff (counselors, program managers, executive directors, etc.) from any agency within SAPC’s provider network may apply for membership, with approval from the Executive Director or designee of the agency.

*Application Submission.* Applications are due on **June 30, 2021**. SAPC staff will confirm receipt of all applications via email. Upon receipt of the application, SAPC staff will review all applications for accuracy and completeness. Incomplete section(s) of the application may be cause for removal from consideration. SAPC staff will notify you appropriately of the final decision. Direct questions or requests for assistance to the Systems of Care Branch at [SAPC\\_ASOC@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:SAPC_ASOC@ph.lacounty.gov).

If you require additional space, please use the space provided at the end of the application.  
 There is a one-page limit per question.

**Part I. Personal Information**

Full Name:    Job Title:   
Last First M.I.

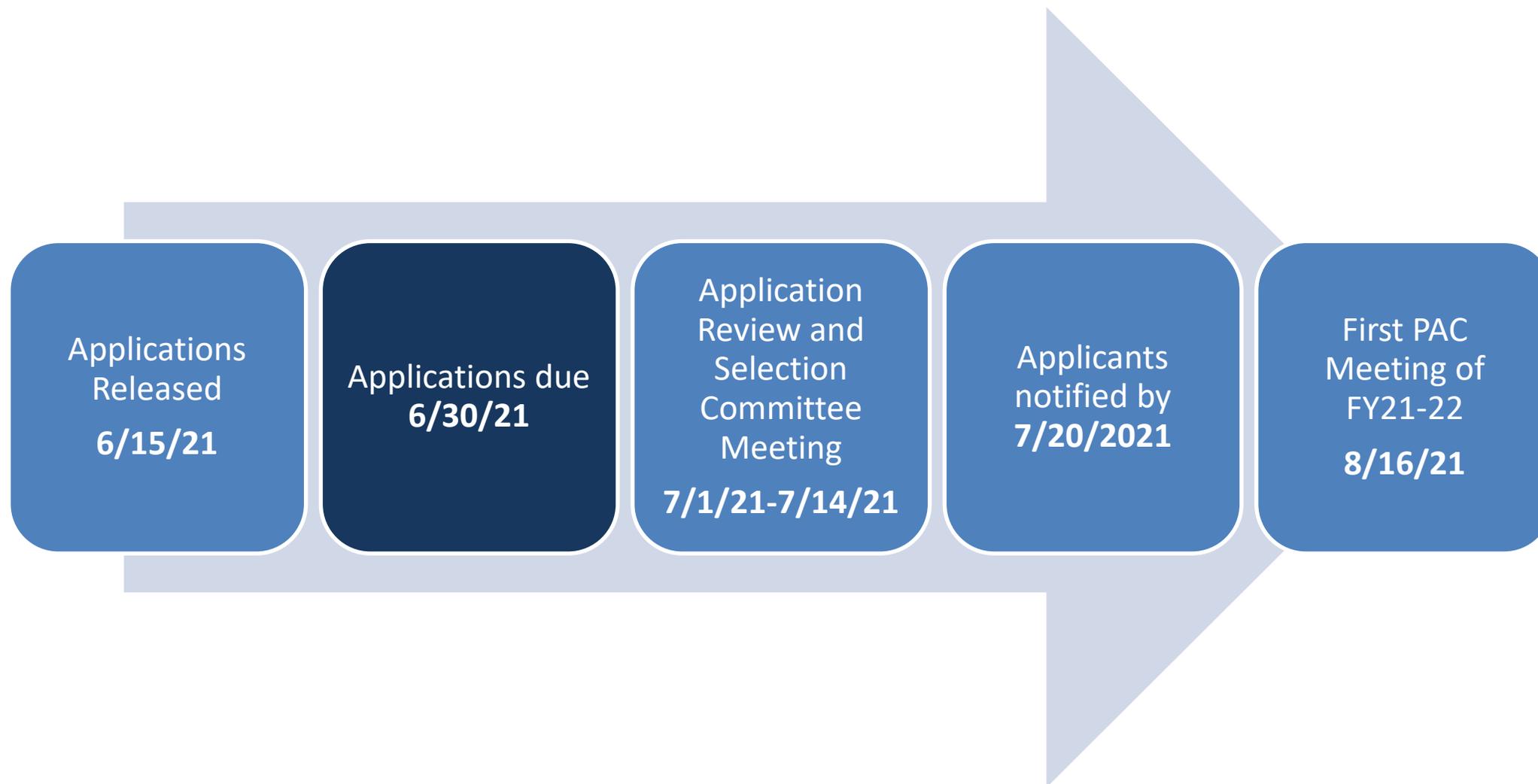
Name of Organization:

Address:      
Street Address Unit #

City State ZIP Code

Phone:  Email:

## Application Timeline





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For more information, contact SAPC at:  
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