

RAPPAHANNOCK-RAPIDAN AREA LHRC

Approved Minutes

August 29, 2023

10:30am

15361 Bradford Rd, Culpeper, VA

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jackie Dare – Chairperson

David Henry – Member

Dominique Leon – Member

Willie Nelson – Member

Heather Knowles - Member

Members Absent

OTHERS PRESENT

Artea Ambrose – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region #1

Heather Hilleary – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region #1

Nickie Reid – Grafton

Melissa Hogan - Grafton

Kathleen Keller – Rappahannock Area CSB

Janelle Hyson - Grafton

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Dare called meeting to order at 10:31am.

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE

Those in attendance made introductions. Chair welcomes attendees.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Henry motioned to approve the agenda with the following changes:

- Remove Horizon Behavioral Health next friend review
- Add six restriction plan reviews for Grafton

Motion seconded by Ms. Knowles. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Nelson motioned for the June 2023 draft minutes to be approved. Seconded by Mr. Henry. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments made.

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements from the Chair.

ADVOCATE REPORT AND TRAINING

Quarterly Complaint Statistics

For the quarter ending 6/30/2023 in Region 1:

- 60 Complaints involving allegations of ANE (CSB)
- 183 Complaints involving allegations of ANE (Providers)
- 9 Complaints not involving ANE (CSB)
- 9 Complaints not involving ANE (Providers)

This is a decrease of 28 total complaints from Q1 to Q2. Of Q2's 261 total complaints, 71 allegations involving ANE were substantiated. This is a percentage of 27.2% substantiated cases, which is an increase of almost 13% between Q1 and Q2.

Summary of current Variances for R1

There are no current variances for community-based providers in Region 1.

Updates

We are currently recruiting LHRC members for the following LHRCs in Region 1:

- Charlottesville Area Local Human Rights Committee (meets in person in Charlottesville, VA, quarterly)
 - 1 healthcare provider
 - 1 individual who has received services within the past 5 years of appointment date
 - 1 family member of an individual who has received services within the past 5 years of appointment date
- Rappahannock Rapidan Area Local Human Rights Committee (meets in person in Culpeper, VA, quarterly)
 - 2 individuals who have received services within the past 5 years of appointment date

Please contact Cassie Purtlebaugh via email at cassie.purtlebaugh@dbhds.virginia.gov if you are interested in becoming a member of one of these committees.

Upcoming Events

2023-Community-Provider-Training-Schedule has been suspended until further notice. DBHDS is seeking to hire a training coordinator who will begin offering these trainings again soon. If providers are seeking training, please reach out to your advocate

Upcoming 2023 SHRC Meetings

The full SHRC meeting schedule can be found here: [2023-SHRC-Meeting-Schedule.pdf \(virginia.gov\)](#)

September 28, 2023 – NVMHI

November 2, 2023 – Blue Ridge Community Services Board
December 14, 2023 – DBHDS Central Office, Richmond, VA

The SHRC is required to meet at least 8 times a year. Unless special circumstances apply, administrative sessions normally convene at 8:30AM. Regular sessions normally convene at 9:00AM and run until all agenda items are addressed. Portions of meetings are held in closed session. Appeals are normally scheduled for late morning.

Upcoming LHRC Trainings

New LHRC members will receive notice in their appointment letters regarding attending Orientation and viewing the other training materials (Overview HRR, LHRC Forms, Fact Finding Hearings, FOIA). Training opportunities will be announced in your orientation packets. The next training is Thursday, August 31, 2023.

If you are a new member, as of October, 2022, and have not received Orientation, please notify the advocate who provides technical assistance to your committee for assistance.

NEW BUSINESS

- Restriction Review – Grafton
- Restriction Review – Grafton
- Restriction Review – Grafton
- Restriction Review – Rappahannock Area CSB
- Restriction Review – Grafton

CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion made by Ms. Dare and seconded by Mr. Nelson, the committee entered closed session pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711, a.15 and §2.2-37.05.5 for the purpose of discussion not related to public business.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon reconvening in open session, each member certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only private business matters, lawfully exempted from statutory open session requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened, were considered in the closed session.

- Mr. Nelson motioned to approve Grafton Individual 1 restriction plan with no recommendations. Seconded by Mr. Henry. Unanimously approved by all members present.

- Mr. Henry motioned to approve Grafton Individual 2 restriction plan with no recommendations. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Mr. Nelson motioned to approve Grafton Individual 3 restriction plan with no recommendations. Seconded by Ms. Knowles. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Rappahannock Area CSB Review - It was determined during the review that the provider had no need to present the restriction to the LHRC as the restriction was used for a medically protective purpose. The provider was thanked for their participation. The restriction did not require approval of the LHRC.
- Mr. Nelson motioned to approve Grafton Individual 4 restriction plan with no recommendations. Seconded by Mr. Henry. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Mr. Nelson motioned to approve Grafton Individual 5 restriction plan with no recommendations. Seconded by Mr. Henry. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Mr. Nelson motioned to approve Grafton Individual 6 restriction plan with no recommendations. Seconded by Ms. Knowles. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Mr. Nelson motioned to approve Grafton Individual 7 restriction plans (2) with the recommendation that the advocate follow-up directly with the provider specific to the protocol in use for the video monitor. Seconded by Mr. Henry. Unanimously approved by all members present.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Able Arms bi-lateral mitten restraints review. Provider is in compliance with the regulations.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next scheduled LHRC meeting is Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 10:30am at the Rappahannock-Rapidan CSB – 15361 Bradford Rd, Culpeper, VA.

Hearing no other business items, Mr. Henry motioned to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Nelson. Ms. Dare adjourned the meeting at 11:32am.