

MINUTES VIRGINIA HIGHLANDS LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING



Tuesday, January 15, 2013
SWVMHI – Henderson H-106 Conference Room
12:00 Noon

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Fendig, Vice Chair
Jo Ann Johns
Willie McFarlane
Beverly Derian
Elvera McLees

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Rachel Jones
Denton Staley

OTHERS PRESENT:

Nan Neese, Regional Human Rights Advocate
Cynthia McClaskey, Ph.D., Facility Director, SWVMHI
Russ McGrady, MA, MBA, Clinical Director, SWVMHI
Colin Barron, Ph.D., SWVMHI
Robyn Anderson, Community Services Director, SWVMHI
Marcia Richardson, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The Local Human Rights Committee (LHRC) was called to order by Mark Fendig, Vice Chairperson, at 12:25 P.M. on Tuesday, January 15, 2013, at Southwestern Virginia Mental Health Institute, Henderson Building H-106 Conference Room.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the LHRC Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2012. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the LHRC Meeting agenda for January 15, 2013. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

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Abuse/Neglect Report (Open Session)

Cynthia McClaskey, Ph.D., presented the Committee with a report of the abuse and neglect allegations since September 20, 2012. The allegations included 2 episodes.

Complaints (Open Session)

Dr. McClaskey reported there were six complaints since September 21, 2012, all of which were resolved immediately through the informal process.

Facility Director Updates (Open Session)

Dr. McClaskey had no facility updates to communicate to Committee.

Barriers to Discharge Report (Open Session)

Robyn Anderson reviewed with the Committee the current Barriers to Discharge Report for patients within SWVMHI during the period of November 1, 2012 through January 10, 2013. Ms. Anderson provided the Committee with the team, unit, and CSB breakdown of patients who are currently on the list. There are currently nine patients on the list. The barriers to discharge involve multiple issues and the discussion included the difficulty with matching the individuals with residential services and other supports that can best meet the individuals' needs.

Seclusion/Restraint Review of Y-T-D Data (Open Session)

Colin Barrom presented a review of the seclusion/restraint data for the period of November 1 – December 31, 2012. Dr. Barrom reviewed those patients with multiple numbers of incidents. Graphs were provided noting the supine restraint episodes, facility-wide episodes, and the number of seclusion/restraint hours/episodes by ward.

RIDGEVIEW PAVILION

Deferred review in Ms. Savage's absence.

Regional Advocate Report

Nan Neese discussed the future closing of the Training Centers and how the closures will impact SWVMHI and the region. Ms. Neese will arrange a presentation by the START Team for the March 2013 meeting and perhaps show a video, created by the Department of Justice, demonstrating how individuals have successfully transitioned from training center to community environment.

Ms. Neese reported no new providers and no new affiliation requests.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next LHRC meeting is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday, March 19, 2013**, at 12:00 Noon on the grounds of SWVMHI. In the event of inclement weather, the meeting will be postponed until March 26, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 P.M.

Chair