

DRAFT MINUTES SWVMHI LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING



Thursday, March 13, 2008
SWVMHI Henderson Building Conference Room
12:00 Noon

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deidra Mathena, Chair
Benjamin Plummer
Claudia Duffy

OTHERS PRESENT:

Cynthia McClaskey, Ph.D., Facility Director, SWVMHI
Russ McGrady, M.A., M.B.A, Clinical Director, SWVMHI
David Mask, Psychology Associate, Geriatric Services, SWVMHI
Gary Burns, Administrator, Keystone Youth of Marion
Nick Brown, Risk Manager, Keystone Youth of Marion
Janice Collins, Resident Advocate, Keystone Youth of Marion
Kaatri Anderson, L.C.S.W., A.C.S.W., Senior Life Solutions of JMH
Elouise Vaught, Prospective L.H.R.C. Member
Deborah Jones, L.C.S.W., Human Rights Advocate
Lisa Berry, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Local Human Rights Committee (L.H.R.C) was called to order by Deidra Mathena at 12:00 Noon on Thursday, March 13, 2008, in the Henderson Building, Conference Room 106 of Southwestern Virginia Mental Health Institute. The Committee welcomed Elouise Vaught to the meeting. Mrs. Vaught is a prospective member.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made and unanimously approved to accept the minutes of the February 7, 2008, meeting.

SWVMHI

The motion was made and passed to go into Closed Session pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711.A.(4) and (15), for the protection of privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business and to review medical records, namely to conduct a review pursuant to the regulations.

Upon reconvening in public session, the Local Human Rights Committee unanimously certified that only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the Closed Session were discussed in the Closed Session.

The following reports, including client-identifying information, were heard and actions taken:

GERIATRIC PATIENT CASE PRESENTATION (Closed Session)

David Mask appeared before the Committee with a case presentation on a Geriatric patient. The Committee asked that Mr. Mask present an update on the patient at the May meeting.

BARRIERS TO DISCHARGE REPORT (Closed Session)

Russ McGrady, M.A., M.B.A., reviewed with the Committee the current Barriers to Discharge Report for patients within SWVMHI for the period of February 1 – March 13, 2008. Mr. McGrady also presented patients on the list by CSB. The Committee requested that this information be presented at future meetings.

SECLUSION/RESTRAINT REVIEW OF Y-T-D DATA (Closed Session)

Russ McGrady, M.A., M.B.A., presented a review of the seclusion/restraint data for the period of January – February 2008. The Committee requested an update on a patient from the Admissions Unit, Ward A, at the next meeting.

ABUSE/NEGLECT REPORT (Closed Session)

Cynthia McClaskey, Ph.D., provided the L.H.R.C. with a report of abuse and neglect cases for the period of January through March 13, 2008.

FORMAL COMPLAINTS (Closed Session)

Cynthia McClaskey, Ph.D., provided the L.H.R.C. with a report of the number of formal complaints received at SWVMHI for the period of January through March 13, 2008.

DIRECTOR'S ISSUES (Open Session)

Dr. Cynthia McClaskey updated the Committee on the following issues:

- Census at the facility remains high.
- There was a water leak last night on Ward A/B. This occurred as a result of construction problems when the building was built in 1988.

SENIOR LIFE SOLUTIONS OF J.M.H.

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REVIEW OF REPORTS (Closed Session)

Kaatri Anderson, L.C.S.W., A.C.S.W., reported there were no incidents of seclusion/restraint, no reports of abuse/neglect, and no informal/formal complaints received for the period of January and February 2008.

REVIEW OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (Open Session)

The following new policies were presented to the L.H.R.C. for review by Kaatri Anderson:

Policy #08-01-06, Patient Confidentiality, Information Disclosure & Patient Review of Record. The Committee asked that the policy be divided into three separate policies.

Policy #08-01-08, Client Restraint. The Committee made several recommendations of revision to the policy.

The Committee requested the policies be brought back to the Committee for review after revisions have been made.

ADMINISTRATOR'S ISSUES

- Ms. Anderson announced that Johnston Memorial Hospital was entering into an agreement with Mountain States Health Alliance. This agreement will go into effect September 2008. Mountain States Health Alliance is interested in expanding the line of psychiatric services at J.M.H.
- Senior Life Solutions has a new contract with a psychiatrist who will be starting in March.
- There will be a conference on Monday, April 7, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. at the Memorial Chapel at Emory & Henry. Presenting will be Dr. Aradhana "Bela" Sood. The conference is entitled *In the Wake of Virginia Tech: Mental Health System Needs in Virginia.*
- Senior Life Solutions will sponsor a *Lunch and Learn* seminar tomorrow, March 14, entitled Complementary Medications. Dr. Marilou Inocalla will present.

KEYSTONE YOUTH OF MARION

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The following reports, including client-identifying information, were heard:

ABUSE/NEGLECT REPORTS (Closed Session)

Nick Brown provided the L.H.R.C. with a report of abuse and neglect cases for the months of January through February 2008.

SECLUSION/RESTRAINT REVIEW OF Y-T-D DATA (Closed Session)

Nick Brown presented a review of the seclusion/restraint data for the period of January through February 2008.

INFORMAL/FORMAL COMPLAINTS (Closed Session)

Janice Collins presented the L.H.R.C. with the formal and informal complaints received at Keystone during the months of January through February 2008.

The Committee requested that patient names on reports be replaced with chart numbers.

ADMINISTRATOR'S ISSUES (Open Session)

Gary Burns, Administrator, updated the Committee on the following matters:

- The census at Keystone is currently running in the mid-twenties, which is down somewhat. Referrals to the facility have also been down.
- New furniture was purchased this week for the facility.
- Universal Health Services bought out Keystone in the Fall of 2005, and the facility is now called Marion Youth Center. The new regional vice president is Joe Crabtree.

RIDGEVIEW PAVILION

Deborah Jones, Human Rights Advocate reported there were no reports of abuse/neglect, no formal complaints, and no incidents of seclusion and restraint during the period of January through February 2008.

ADVOCATE/COMMITTEE ISSUES

Deborah Jones announced that Peggie Roland resigned her position on the L.H.R.C. due to accepting a part-time position at SWVMHI as the spiritual assistant. Mrs. Jones will submit a letter to the State Human Rights Committee in regard to Mrs. Roland's resignation.

L.H.R.C. members were reminded to submit the interview forms on Willie McFarlane so that they may be turned into the S.H.R.C. for consideration.

The Committee met with and interviewed Elouise Vaught, a prospective member.

Mrs. Jones informed the L.H.R.C. of a prospective consumer member who has displayed an interest in membership to the Committee. It is hoped that she can attend the next meeting.

Benjamin Plummer announced that the May meeting will be his last meeting as a member to the Committee, as he is planning to enroll in the University of Virginia's pre-med program in the fall.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next L.H.R.C. meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, May 8, 2008**, at 12 Noon in Room 106 of the Henderson Building on the grounds of SWVMHI.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Chair

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