**Roanoke-Catawba LHRC**

Minutes- DRAFT

3/13/2024

1:00pm

Catawba Hospital, 5525 Catawba Hospital Drive, Catawba, VA 24070

Administrative Building, Building 24

Virtual Connection via TEAMS

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Lisa Dishner – Chairperson

Natacha Liriano – Vice Chair

Laura Dickerson – Secretary

Tammy Wilson- Member

Nancy Simmons-Member

Kristen West- Member (Attended Virtually)

**Members Absent**

N/A. All members in attendance.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Hollie Carlisle – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region #3

Mykala Sauls – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region #

Brittany Jones; Ashley Wilson; Individual 1, Next Friend 1 – NRVCS

Kristy Edwards, Individual 2, Next Friend 2- DPCS

Tammy Marshall, Individual 3, Next Friend 3- DPCS

Andrea Leonard, Individual 4, Sponsored Provider 1- Care Connect

Brandelin McLaughlin- Elite Collective Care

**CALL TO ORDER**

Lisa Dishner called meeting to order at 1:02pm.

**ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE**

Those in attendance made introductions. Chair welcomed attendees.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Lisa Dishner motioned for the agenda to be approved and Kristen West seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved by all committee members.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Laura Dickerson motioned for the minutes to be approved and Lisa Dishner seconded the motion. The minutes from the November 15, 2024 meeting were approved unanimously by all committee members.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments made.

**CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No announcements from the chair.

**ADVOCATE REPORT AND TRAINING**

*Q4 (10/1/2023-12/31/2023) ANE Data*

There were 446 ANE/Complaints reported in CHRIS for the fourth quarter; 48 cases were substantiated.

*Variances*

There are no variances to be reviewed.

*Updates*

· The Office of Human Rights sent out the request for the annual seclusion and restraint data on December 20, 2023 with a due date of January 15, 2024. As of 3/12/2024, 80% of providers have submitted a completed report.

· Diana Atcha has accepted the Region 2 (NOVA) Manager position. OHR is currently hiring a Advocate for R2.

· Alonzo Riggins has accepted the Training and Development Coordinator position. And has resumed the state-wide Human Rights trainings.

*Trainings*

· The next SHRC meeting will be held on April 11, 2024 in R4. See attached SHRC meeting schedule for future dates.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

LHRC Member, Natacha Liriano, inquired about a status update on the application of a potential LHRC member.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The LHRC members discussed the matter of open vacancies for LHRC positions of Chair, Vice- Chair, and Secretary. Tammy Wilson motioned for nomination of Lisa Dishner for the position of Chair and Natacha Liriano seconded the motion. The nomination was approved unanimously by all committee members. Tammy Wilson motioned for the nomination of Natacha Liriano for the position of Vice-Chair and Laura Dickerson seconded the motion. The nomination was approved unanimously by all committee members. Tammy Wilson motioned for the nomination of Laura Dickerson for the position of Secretary and Lisa Dishner seconded the motion. The nomination was approved unanimously by all committee members.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Upon a motion made by Lisa Dishner, Chair, and seconded by Nancy Simmons, 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 of next friend reviews, restriction, and medical equipment restriction.

Based on discussion of the need for the Next Friend review for NRVCS, it was recommended to approve Next Friend request submitted for Individual 1. The committee allowed the Next Friend request/proposal to be presented via telehealth video review. The LHRC committee determined that the designation of the proposed next friend, meets requirements, per regulatory code 12VAC35-115-146. Tammy Wilson made a motion to approve the designation of the proposed Next Friend 1, for Individual 1, for NRVCS, and Laura Dickerson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members.

Based on discussion of the need for the Next Friend review for DPCS, it was recommended to approve Next Friend request submitted for Individual 2. The committee allowed the Next Friend request/proposal to be presented via telehealth video review. The LHRC committee determined that the designation of the proposed next friend, meets requirements, per regulatory code 12VAC35-115-146. Lisa Dishner made a motion to approve the designation of the proposed Next Friend 2, for Individual 2, for DPCS, and Nancy Simmons seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members.

Based on discussion of the need for the Next Friend review for DPCS, it was recommended to approve Next Friend request submitted for Individual 3. The committee allowed the Next Friend request/proposal to be presented via telehealth video review. The LHRC committee determined that the designation of the proposed next friend, meets requirements, per regulatory code 12VAC35-115-146. Lisa Dishner made a motion to approve the designation of the proposed Next Friend 3, for Individual 3, for DPCS, and Natacha Liriano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members.

Based on discussion of the need for a safety restriction of implementation of child safety locks where Individual 4 will sit in the vehicle during times the vehicle, for the restriction review for Individual 4, at the agency of At Home with Care Connect. The committee allowed the Restriction Review to be presented via telehealth video review. The LHRC committee determined that the restriction review is in compliance with regulatory code 12VAC35-115-50 and 12VAC35-115-100, with the following recommendations listed below. Lisa Dishner made a motion to approve the proposed restriction for Individual 4, for At Home with Care Connect and Laura Dickerson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members.

The LHRC committee further approves the use of the restriction with the following recommendations:

* The Provider, provide a written quarterly report at the next LHRC meeting scheduled in 3 months on: June 26, 2024. The report should be submitted in writing to the designated Human Rights Advocate, Hollie Carlisle, no later than: June 24, 2024.
* The Committee recommends that the Provider and/or legal guardian consider use of a tracking device, or some type of identification for individual to carry/wear in the event that the individual becomes lost.
* The Committee recommends that the Provider and/or legal guardian consider re-implementation of a Behavior Specialist to address unsafe behaviors.
* The Committee recommends that the Provider return in 6 months for an update to the LHRC of Individual’s progress. The 6 month meeting is scheduled on: September 11, 2024.

Based on discussion of the need for a medical equipment restriction of implementation of a padded safety harness where Individual 5 will sit in their barton chair, wheelchair, and other seated positions, for the restriction review for Individual 5, at the agency of Elite Collective Care. The committee allowed the Restriction Review to be presented via telehealth video review. The LHRC committee determined that the restriction review is in compliance with regulatory code 12VAC35-115-50 and 12VAC35-115-100. Lisa Dishner made a motion to approve the proposed restriction for Individual 5, for Elite Collective Care and Natacha Liriano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members.

**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, namely to review three next friend proposals, and two individual restrictive plans.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

Meeting adjourned at 3:35pm.

Next meeting to be held on June 26, 2024, at Catawba Hospital, 5525 Catawba Hospital Drive, Catawba, VA 24070, at the Administration Building, Building 24 at 1:00pm.