

Southeast Alliance Local Human Rights Committee
300 Medical Dr.
Hampton, VA 23666
10/16/2018 at 3:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sebrina Edwards, Chairperson
Charles Ponquinette
Candi Rhodes

OTHERS PRESENT

Reginald Daye- Regional Advocate, DBHDS- Region 5
Courtney Myles- LHRC Support Liaison, DBHDS- Region 5
Roberta Plessinger- DD Day Support Program Mgr., Hampton-Newport News CSB (HNN-CSB)
Karen Matthews- Compliance and Standards Mgr., Hampton-Newport News CSB (HNN-CSB)
Carey Chappell- Director Quality Improvement (QI), Newport News Behavioral Health Center

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Sebrina Edwards called meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The October 16, 2018 agenda was motioned to be accepted as amended by Dr. Ponquinette, seconded by Ms. Rhodes and unanimously approved by the committee members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Edwards, Chairperson, called for a review and approval of the Minutes from the previous meeting. **The approval of the August 7, 2018 minutes was motioned to be accepted by Dr. Ponquinette, seconded by Ms. Rhodes and unanimously approved by the committee members.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADVOCATE REPORT/REGIONAL ADVOCATE ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Daye made the announcements:

- Donna Kastelan is no longer with Office of Human Rights
- Tammy Long, from Region 4, is assisting our region for the next few months until our Human Rights Advocate vacancy is filled.
- There will be a regional human rights training on December 5, 2018 at Eastern State Hospital, covering restrictive plans, research, variances and the fast track human rights regulation amendment.
 - Open to the community
- Provider 'Look Behind' audits are taking place.
- Seeking new LHRC applicants
 - Members and providers were asked to contact the Office of Human Rights if they know of anyone who may be interested in applying
 - There are currently two applicants interested in becoming members.

Old Business:

Variances Update

- Newport News Behavioral Health Center-
Carey Chappell, Director Quality Improvement (QI), presented an overview of its State Human Rights Committee (SHRC) approved variance to the LHRC members. The quarterly update is a requirement imposed by the SHRC when the variance was approved.

- Telephone and visitation restriction

-Both restrictions are active upon admission

-Neither restrictions were used the second quarter

-No complaints for the second quarter.

The program's variance is up for renewal in October 2020.

New Business:

- Review suggested LHRC meeting dates for 2019
 - January 15, 2019
 - April 16, 2019
 - July 16, 2019
 - October 15, 2019

CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Dr. Ponquinette, seconded by Ms. Rhodes and unanimously approved by the committee members at 3:14 PM that the SEA-LHRC will go into closed session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711(A), for the purposes of protecting the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business, namely for the purpose of reviewing a behavioral plan involving the use of restraints for an individual of Hampton-Newport News CSB.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The committee reconvened in open session at 3:22 PM by unanimous vote on a motion by Dr. Ponquinette, seconded by Ms. Rhodes. 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 an individual's restrictive plan.

Recommendation: Motion made by Dr. Ponquinette, seconded by Ms. Rhodes and unanimously approved by the committee members as follows:

- Approve continuation of the Behavioral Plan for "J" with quarterly updates.

TRAINING

2018 FOIA training provided by Mr. Reginald Daye, Regional Advocate. Each member was also given a copy of the FOIA training document.

MEETING ADJOURNED

A motion made to adjourn the meeting by Dr. Ponquinette and seconded by Ms. Rhodes at 3:45 PM with the unanimous approval of the committee members.

NEXT MEETING DATE: January 15, 2018 at 3:00 PM (HNNCSB- 300 Medical Drive; Hampton, VA)