

**Central State Hospital Local Human Rights Committee**  
**CSH, Bld. 113, Conference RM. 223**  
**Virtual Meeting**  
**Thursday, July 16, 2020, 6:30p.m.**  
**Final Meeting Minutes**

**LHRC Members Present-** Danielle Hunt, Sandra Eason, Lauren Austen-Gussman, Jennifer Sistrunk, Robert Gentil, Rebecca Vauter, Juanita Coleman

Providers present-Jennifer Barker, Hilton McDaniel

**Members Absent:** Sharae Henderson stated the meeting needed to be recorded due to adjustment made for virtual meetings versus in person meetings. SH stated she would stop recording during the business session.

- Closed session
- A copy of the agenda to was uploaded
- LHRC Review Training Form will be discussed and explained as part of training.

Welcome/Call to Order- Danielle Hunt called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm. Public notice was established and there was an introduction of committee members

- Motion to approve minutes made by Robert Gentil seconded by Jennifer Sistrunk
- Agenda items were restructured as Jennifer Barker's report was discussed first
- Discussed phone restrictions about calling government agencies, restriction for 8 days to allow psychiatric stability. The restriction is still in place with a review in 8 days.
- Motion to accept Jennifer Barkers report made by Lauren and seconded by Jennifer Sistrunk
- Reviewed variances listed below:

- **CSH Provided the status on the following variances which were approved for renewal**

Variance 1. Opening but not reading of mail and packages in the presence of non-forensic patients in secure forensic programs- CSH continues to implement this variance. There were no reported concerns, human rights complaints, or unusual events during the time period.

Variance 2. The disallowance of non-forensic patients in secure programs to retain any form of money on their person in the secure perimeter- CSH continues to implement this variance. There were no reported concerns, human rights complaints, or unusual events during the time period.

Variance 3. Routine pat-down/searches of non-forensic patients in secure programs- CSH continues to implement this variance. There were no reported concerns, human rights complaints, or unusual events during the time period.

Variance 4. CSH Policy RTS-12/procedures for searching patients in civil and forensic program to identify and prevent the possession of contraband- CSH continues to implement this variance- There were no reported concerns, human rights complaints, or unusual events during the time period

Variance 5. Compliant resolution process-no complaints have been sent to the Maximum Security Appeals Committee during the report period.

- Turned in two separate reports for consistency, January through June, variances were continued with no complaints of human rights.
- No complaints for Variance 2
- No reported human rights concerns for Variance 3
- No complaints appealed to the maximum-security variance
- Motion by Jennifer Sistrunk to accept the variance report seconded by Lauren Austen-Gussman non opposed

### **LHRC Business**

- Review of LHRC minutes from January 23, 2020
- LHRC member needs- There are 6 committee members with 3 vacancies, there are health providers, need consumer and two professionals. The requirement is for 9 members total
  - Election of officers deferred to next meeting on October 15, 2020 at 6pm
- Committee Members identified no changes to their member information
- Election of Officers – It was moved and properly seconded that the following the committee members would act in the following capacity and the motion passed unanimously

Chair: Danielle Hunt      Vice-chair: Vacant      Secretary: Sandra Eason

Sharae Henderson updated members on the availability of CHRIS trainings quarterly, which is offered statewide. Providers have the option of accessing trainings in other divisions if needed.

- Training facilitated by Carrie Flowers
  - PowerPoints were in Adobe
  - Members will focus on accurate completion of form and followed criteria per regulations

Next meeting is October 15, 2020 at 6pm. Meeting location to be determined.

**Adjournment**

- A motion was made and passed by consensus to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm
- Next meeting scheduled for October 15, 2020 at 6pm
- Motioned by Robert seconded Jennifer