

Southeast Alliance Local Human Rights Committee
300 Medical Dr.
Hampton, VA 23666
01/16/2017 at 3:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sebrina Edwards, Chairperson
Charles Ponquinette
Candi Rhodes

MEMBERS ABSENT

Thomara Shoulders, Vice Chair
Cassie DeSena Jacobs

OTHERS PRESENT

Reginald Daye- Regional Advocate, DBHDS- Region 5
Donna Kastelan- Human Rights 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 3:10 PM. Those in attendance made introductions to include their name and title.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The approval of the October 17, 2017 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:

Ms. Donna Kastelan conducted the Behavioral Management Plan training for the members of the SEA-LHRC.

Mr. Daye made the announcements:

- New LHRC training manuals are posted on the DBHDS website
 - Roles of the LHRC members were explained by Mr. Daye.
- Michelle Lochart will be observing the future LHRC meetings either in person or via speaker for open session.

New Business:

None

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 restriction was used last quarter
 - No complaints for last quarter.

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

CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Dr. Ponquinette, seconded by Ms. Rhodes and unanimously approved by the committee members at 3:36 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 obtaining an update on a previously approved behavioral plan involving the use of restraints for a client (#1104927) of Hampton-Newport News CSB.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The committee reconvened in open session at 3:45 PM by unanimous vote on a motion by Dr. Ponquinette and 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.

Recommendation: **Motion was made by Dr. Ponquinette, seconded by Ms. Rhodes and unanimously approved by the committee members** for the continued implementation of the BTP for #1104927, with a quarterly update to the committee at the next meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED

A motion made to adjourn the meeting by Dr. Ponquinette and seconded by Ms. Rhodes at 3:48 PM with the unanimous approval of the committee members.

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 17, 2018 at 3:00 PM (HNNCSB- 300 Medical Drive; Hampton, VA)