

RAPPAHANNOCK-RAPIDAN AREA LHRC

Approved Minutes

March 11, 2025

10:30am

15361 Bradford Rd, Culpeper, VA

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dominique Black – Chairperson

Willie Nelson – Member

Deanna Rennon – Member

David Henry – Member

Stephanie Terrell - Member

Members Absent

OTHERS PRESENT

Artea Ambrose – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region #1

Heather Hilleary – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region #1

Cassie Purtlebaugh – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region 1

Gretchen Zwerner – Group Home Program Manager, Encompass Community Services

Juanesta Williams – Group Home Supervisor, Encompass Community Services

Angel Cooper – Community Living Specialist, Valley CSB

Sharlene Wade – Regional Coordinator, Wall Residences

Anna Gunter – Horizon Behavioral Health

Brooke Ozz – Horizon Behavioral Health

Sandra Potter – Horizon Behavioral Health

John Shepherd, State Human Rights Committee (SHRC) member

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Black called meeting to order at 10:32am.

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE

Those in attendance made introductions. Chair welcomes attendees.

Approval of Agenda

Ms. Rennon motioned to approve the agenda and seconded by Mr. Nelson. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Nelson motioned for the December 2024 draft minutes to be approved. Seconded by Ms. Rennon. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Shepherd – SHRC committee member. Mr. Shepherd spoke to the LHRC regarding the LHRC hearing and SHRC appeal process. Mr. Shepherd encouraged the LHRC members to consider application to the SHRC upon completion of service terms with the LHRC.

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements from the Chair.

ADVOCATE REPORT AND TRAINING

ANE Complaints CSB/Providers	
Q1 (FY2024) July 1 – September 30, 2024	Q2 (FY2024) October 1 – December 30, 2024
246	186
Substantiated = 72/246 = 29%	Substantiated = 55/186 = 29%
Non-ANE Complaints CSB/Providers	
Q1 (FY2024) July 1 – September 30, 2024	Q2 (FY2024) October 1 – December 30, 2024
40	9
Substantiated = 7/40 = 18%	Substantiated = 2/9 = 22%

Variances

There are currently no variances for community-based providers in Region 1.

Updates

Check out our recruitment efforts for LHRCs and SHRCs here:

LHRC and SHRC Recruitment Information 9.27.18

- To apply for the **LHRC**, please complete the application here: [LHRC Appointment Application 4.9.24](#)
- To apply for the **SHRC**, please complete the application here: [SHRC Appointment Application 4.9.24](#)

NEW Opportunity for Public Comment on Proposed DRAFT Noncontroversial Streamlining, Clarifying, and Regulatory Reduction Amendments

Update 1/9/2025: A *REVISED DRAFT* of the HRR has been posted to the OHR webpage and the [30 Day Comment Forum](#) will begin on 1/27/2025 and end at midnight on 2/26/2025.

In accordance with the directive in the Governor’s Executive Directive 1 to remove “regulations not mandated by federal or state statute, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, and in a manner consistent with the laws of the Commonwealth,” the DBHDS Office of Human Rights reviewed the human rights regulations to identify noncontroversial amendments and developed a draft for consideration as fast track actions. There is a public comment forum for 30 days on this draft:

- [DRAFT Noncontroversial Regulatory Reductions to Chapter 115](#)
- [Public Comment Forum](#)

Upcoming Events

2025 training opportunities are available for Community-Based Providers on the OHR training schedule. Check out the 2025 training opportunities, and register today:

[2025-New-Provider-Orientation-Calendar.pdf](#)

[PDF-2025-Community-Provider-Training-Calendar.Final_.pdf](#)

Upcoming 2025 SHRC Meetings

The full SHRC meeting schedule can be found here: [2025-SHRC-Meeting-Schedule-Web.docx](#)

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Horizon Behavioral Health Restriction Review
- Valley CSB Restriction Review
- Wall Residences Restriction Review
- Encompass Community Services Restriction Review

CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion made by Mr. Henry and seconded by Ms. Rennon, 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 not related to public business.

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.

- Ms. Rennon motioned to approve Horizon Behavioral Health restriction plan for RM. Seconded by Mr. Henry. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Mr. Nelson motioned to approve Valley CSB restriction plan for JA. Seconded by Mr. Henry. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Ms. Terrell motioned to approve Wall Residences restriction plan for JS. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Ms. Rennon abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest. Unanimously approved by all other members present.
- Ms. Rennon motioned to approve Encompass Community Services restriction plan for TE. Seconded by Mr. Henry. Unanimously approved by all members present.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next scheduled LHRC meeting is Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 10:30am at Encompass CSB – 15361 Bradford Rd, Culpeper, VA.

Hearing no other business items, Mr. Henry motioned to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Nelson. Ms. Black adjourned the meeting at 11:25am.