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CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Central State Hospital
26317 W. Washington Street
Building 113, Main Conference Room
Petersburg, Virginia 23803
February 6, 2009
8:30 am Regular Meeting**

Attendance:

Jane Clayborne, Chair; Violet Hite, Vice-Chair; Isabel Vartanian, Member; Randi Key, Member; Linda Masri, Member; and William Lightfoot, Member

Guests:

Jennifer Barker, CSH Director of Patient Relations; Jim Bell, CSH Forensic Director; Michael Curseen, Human Rights Advocate/OHR; Carrie Flowers, Human Rights Advocate/ OHR; Ansley Perkins, Human Rights Advocate/OHR; Reta Martin CSH Social Worker; and Rose Mitchell, Executive Secretary/OHR.

Absent:

Jillian McNeil, Member; Charles Davis, M.D., CSH Facility Director

I. Call to Order: 8:35 am

II. Minutes of January 9, 2009, Meeting

Action: The minutes of the January 9, 2009, meeting were approved.

III. Public Comment:

None

IV. New Business

- A. Monthly Variance Report for January 08 – Presented by Jim Bell, Forensic Director**

Mr. Bell reported that there were no reportable incidents involving the four approved forensic variances during the month of January 2009.

Action: The Committee approved a motion to accept Mr. Bell's reports.

(Executive Session)

The committee approved a Motion to move into Executive session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711 (A), Paragraph 15, for the protection of the privacy of individuals and their records in personal matters not related to public business.

The following subject matters were discussed in Executive Session:

Monthly Abuse Summaries – December 2008

Formal Human Rights Complaints – January 2009

Biannual Review of Aggression Management Plans

Spit Guard Usage – January 2009

Formal Complaint: K.D.

Formal Complaint: Ms. Y's Receipt of Missing Articles

(Return to Open Session)

Upon reconvening in open session, the Central State Hospital Local Human Rights Committee certified that to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session were discussed in closed session

B. Monthly Abuse Summary: December 2008 – Presented by Jennifer Barker

Action: The LHRC approved a motion to accept Mrs. Barker's report.

C. Formal Human Rights Complaints – January 2009 – Presented by Jennifer Barker

Action: The LHRC approved a motion to accept Mrs. Barker's report.

D. Biannual Review of Aggression Management Plans – Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations

Mrs. Barker reported that CSH has six active Aggression Management Plans (AMP). Two plans had recently been cancelled.

Mr. Curseen asked if all of the active AMPs have been signed by the patient, Mrs. Barker will check on this and report back to the Committee at their next meeting.

Action: The LHRC approved a motion to accept Mrs. Barker's report.

E. Seclusion & Restraint Data Summary: Comparison of S/R Incident and

totals for Jan. 08 with Jan. 09: Presented by Jennifer Barker

Mrs. Barker reported that CSH is still on the downward trend, but one civil and one forensic patient each contributed to the higher numbers.

Action: The Committee approved a motion to accept the Seclusion & Restraint Data Summary Report.

F. Spit Mask Usage – January 2009 – Presented by Michael Curseen

Mr. Curseen reported that there was one reported usage of the spit mask. The committee had concerns with the usage of the spit mask. According to the written report, the patient was spitting on the seclusion room door and window. If secluded, the committee questioned why the spit mask needed to be applied.

Action: The LHRC approved a motion to accept Mr. Curseen's report, but requested that the hospital provide clarification on whether the patient was spitting on objects or people and whether the spit mask was used appropriately.

V. Follow-up Business:

1. LHRC Follow-Up RE: Formal Complaint – Documentation of Discussion Concerning PRN Order with K.D., Ms. Flowers and K. D's Psychiatrist - Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations

Action: The Committee deferred this item until next month, due to the absence of Dr. Forbes, Medical Director.

2. LHRC Follow-up RE: Formal Complaint – Documentation of Ms. Y's Receipt of Missing Articles or of Compensation Received - Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations

A check was mailed to Ms. Y's for the missing articles that belonged to her son, while he was a patient at CSH.

Action: The Committee approved a motion to accept Mrs. Barker's report.

VI. Director's Comments:

None

Mr. Curseen reported to the Committee that at our next meeting, we may possibly have a Fact Finding Conference. If so, the Committee members would need to arrive at 8:00 A.M. instead of 8:30 A.M.

**NOTICE: THE FACT FINDING CONFERENCE HAS BEEN CANCELLED,
WE WILL HAVE OUR REGULAR MEETING AT 8:30 AM.**

Adjournment: 9:32 A.M.

Next Meeting Date: March 6, 2009