

CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

Central State Hospital
26317 W. Washington Street
Petersburg, Virginia 23803
Building 113 –Main Conference Room
November 2, 2012
8:30am Regular Meeting

Attendance: Hannibal Tuck, Chair, Blondena Mallory, Member; Liesl Lipford, Member; Barbara Davis, Member

Guests: Vicki Montgomery, CEO/Director Central State Hospital; Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Staff Development; Walter Small, Human Rights Advocate Senior OHR; Teresa Langster, Patient Relations; James Bell, Director of Forensic Services; Juliann Wareham, Patient Relations and Staff Development

Absent: William Lightfoot Vice-Chair; Isabel Vartanian

I. Call to Order – Introductions

II. Minutes of October 5, 2012 Meeting

Action: The Committee approved the draft minutes for the October 5, 2012 meeting.

III. Public Comment: None

IV. New Business

A. Monthly Variance Reports for October 2012 – Presented by James Bell, Director, Forensic Services.

Action: The Committee approved the monthly variance reported by Mr. Bell for October 2012 concerning the four forensic variances.

(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 business.

The following subject matters were discussed in Executive Session:

Monthly Abuse Summaries – September 2012

Formal Human Rights Complaints – October 2012

Spit Guard Usage – October 2012

(Return to Open Session)

Upon reconvening into 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: September 2012 – Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Staff Development

Ms. Barker presented the abuse data covering September 2012.

Action: The Committee approved the abuse data reports presented by Ms. Barker for September 2012.

- C. Formal Human Rights Complaints – October 2012 – Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Staff Development

Action: The Committee approved Ms. Barker's report for October 2012.

- D. Seclusion and Restraint Data Summary; Comparisons of S/R Incidents and Totals for October 2012 vs. October 2011 ~ Presented by Vicki Montgomery, Director Central State Hospital

Ms. Montgomery explained the Pie Chart and outlying cases for the new members to understand. The red and orange wedges keep getting bigger meaning that a very few people are responsible for more of the big pictured use of seclusion and restraint. Often these outlying cases are persons newly admitted who have not been clinically stabilized and based on actions need the seclusion and restraint until such time as some of the medications start taking effect and some of the treatment they receive starts making a difference. Occasionally there will be a patient that is counted for in those numbers but most of the time it is newly admitted patients.

Action: The committee approved Ms. Montgomery's report for October 2012.

- E. Spit Guard Usage for October 2012 – Presented by Walter Small, Human Rights Advocate Senior OHR.

Mr. Small reported there were no reported usages of the spit guard masks for October 2012.

Action: The committee approved Mr. Small's report for October 2012.

- V. **Old Business: None**

VI. LHRC Follow up: None

VIII. Director's Comments

Ms. Montgomery stated that Central State Hospital has employed two peer specialists. This is a new role at the hospital. These peer specialists are trained consumers that come into the hospital and provide services. They participate in new employee orientation, they do a drop in center where individuals can come in and meet with them, they also groups and they have been very well received by all staff.

The plan is for us to add more resources to that and we are excited about it.

VIII. Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 7, 2012 – Building 39, Main Visitation Room and Building 113 Main Conference Room.