

CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Central State Hospital
26317 W. Washington Street
Petersburg, Virginia 23803
Building 39, February 3, 2012
8:30am Regular Meeting

Attendance: Jane Clayborne, Vice-Chair; Isabel Vartanian, Member; William Lightfoot, Member; Barbara Davis, Member; Jillian Taylor, Secretary; Blondena Mallory, Member

Guests: Vicki Montgomery, CEO/Director Central State Hospital; Ronald Forbes, M.D., Medical Director; Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Staff Development; Reta Martin, Patient Relations and Staff Development; James Bell, Forensic Director; Walter Small, Human Rights Advocate Senior OHR; Teresa Langster, Patient Relations..

Absent: Hannibal Tuck, Chair;

I. Call to Order – Introductions

II. Minutes of January 6, 2012 Meeting

Action: The Committee approved the draft minutes for the January 6, 2012 meeting.

III. Public Comment:

IV. New Business

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

Action: The Committee approved a motion to accept the monthly variance reported by Mr. Bell for December 2011 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 – December 2011

Formal Human Rights Complaints – January 2012

Spit Guard Usage – January 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: December 2011 – Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Staff Development

Ms. Barker presented the abuse data covering December 2011.

Action: The Committee accepted the abuse data reports presented by Ms. Barker for December 2011.

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

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

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

Ms. Montgomery explained two outliers are the high users and they drive the seclusion and restraint numbers. The hospital continues to monitor and it continues to be our goal to reduce seclusion and restraint.

Action: The committee approved a motion to accept Ms. Montgomery's report for January 2012.

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

Mr. Small reported there were four reported usages of the spit guard masks for January 2012. The usage was consistent with hospital policy and procedure governing the usage of the spit mask.

Action: The committee approved a motion to accept Mr. Small's report for January 2012.

- F.** Biannual Summary of Aggression Management Plans : July 2011 through December 2011 ~ Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Staff Development

Ms. Barker Presented the Biannual Summary of Aggression Management Plans as requested by the LHRC. The committee made a motion to change the way the Aggression Management Plans are to be presented on a biannual basis. The committee requested a report compare incidents of seclusion and restraint in relation to AMP usage. The committee further requested

the hospital maintain the incident review of individual uses of the AMP's. One copy of these are to be made available at each meeting. The committee will randomly select which AMP's they wish to review in depth.

Action: The committee approved a motion to accept Ms. Barkers report. The committee also approved a motion to accept the changes to the way the AMP's are presented.

VII. LHRC Follow up - None

VIII. Director's Comments

Ms. Montgomery reported that last spring there was a fact finding for the LHRC that involved a group of 8 individuals were being housed here in maximum security well after they had been approved for civil transfer to Eastern State Hospital. This was looked at as a fact finding by the LHRC committee members and it went to SHRC. Ms Montgomery reports that those 8 individuals were moved to Eastern State a while ago and that the waiting list issue the committee was concerned with has been resolved.

With Southside Virginia Training Center scheduled to close in 2 years the shared services will move over under Central State. This is a 2 year process and there will be a lot of changes. There has been talk DOJ had come into the Lynchburg Training Center and reached an impasse that was unable to resolve and knew they were working on a settlement agreement with the DOJ. The settlement was not finalized until last week when it was announced. This is an ambitious plan.

VIII. Adjournment

Next Meeting: March 2, 2012 – Building 113 Main Conference Room