

CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

Central State Hospital
26317 W. Washington Street
Petersburg, Virginia 23803
Building 113 – Main Conference Room
September 2, 2015

Administrative Session

6:30 pm

Attendance: Liesl Lipford, Chair; Sarah Stanford, Member; Mark Howard, Member;

Absent: Marco Thomas, Member

Guests: Taneika Goldman, Human Rights Advocate

Regular Session

7:00 pm

Attendance: Liesl Lipford, Chair; Sarah Stanford, Member; Mark Howard, Member;

Absent: Marco Thomas, Member

Guests: Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery; Terri Langster, Patient Relations and Recovery; Dr. Brandi Justice, Hospital Clinical Director; Dr. Rebecca Vauter, Hospital Director; Dr. Nelia SanJose- Carlson; Taneika Goldman, Human Rights Advocate; Simona Haqq, Human Rights Advocate

Call to Order

I. Approval of Minutes from August 5, 2015

III. Public Comment: Introduction of Dr. Nelia SanJose- Carlson.

IV. Old Business: On August 24th the LHRC approved the ward rules of Building 96. Ms. Barker asked for an amendment to the ward rules stating a modification was necessary for the personal property limits within the property room. The committee approved the amendment to the ward rules for building 96.

V. New Business

A. Monthly Variance Report for August 2015– Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director, Patient Relations and Recovery Initiatives.

Action: The Committee accepted and approved the monthly variance report reported by Ms. Barker for August 2015 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 – July 2015

Formal Human Rights Complaints – August 2015

Seclusion and Restraint Data Summary – July 2015

Spit Guard Usage – August 2015

(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: July 2015 – Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiatives

Action: The committee approved the Monthly Abuse Summary for July 2015 presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiatives.

- C. Formal Human Rights Complaints – August 2015 – Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiatives

Action: The committee approved the Formal Human Rights Complaints for August 2015 presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiatives.

- D. Seclusion and Restraint Data Summary; Comparisons of S/R Incidents and Totals for July 2015 ~ Presented by Dr. Brandi Justice, Hospital Clinical Director

Action: The committee approved the Seclusion and Restraint Data Summary for the month of July 2015 presented by Dr. Brandi Justice, Hospital Clinical Director

- E. Spit Guard Usage for August 2015– Presented by Taneika Goldman, Human Rights Advocate.

Ms. Goldman reported that there was no use of the spit guard mask for August 2015.

Action: The committee approved the Spit Guard Usage Report for August 2015 presented by Taneika Goldman, Human Rights Advocate.

F. CSH Variance Request for Maximum Security Forensic Unit only – Presented by Dr. Rebecca Vauter, Hospital Director.

The LHRC committee took the Variance Request under advisement.

VI. LHRC Follow up: There is an outstanding petition and the committee will get back to the hospital with a date for that petition.

Dr. Vauter spoke to the committee about the changes that have happened with Ward 8.

VI. Adjournment