CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
Central State Hospital
26317 W. Washington Street
Petersburg, Virginia 23803
Building 113 – Main Conference Room
February 3, 2016

Administrative Session
6:30 pm

Attendance: Liesl Lipford, Chair; Sarah Stanford, Member; Marco Thomas, Member; Taneika Goldman, Human Rights Advocate

Regular Session
7:00 pm

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

Absent:

Guests: Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery; Carrie Flowers, Human Rights Advocate; Simona Haqq, Human Rights Advocate; Dr. Brandi Justice, Hospital Clinical Director

Call to Order

I. Approval of Minutes from January 6, 2016

III. Public Comment: LHRC had an extensive discussion about how they could be more transparent and increase awareness of public comment opportunities. Current practices were reviewed and found to sufficiently meet the Committees intent.

IV. Old Business:

V. New Business


Action: The Committee accepted and approved the monthly variance report reported by Ms. Barker for January 2016 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 2015


Seclusion and Restraint Data Summary – December 2015

Spit Guard Usage – January 2016

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

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

C. Formal Human Rights Complaints – January 2016 – Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiatives

Action: The committee approved the Formal Human Rights Complaints for January 2016 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 December 2015 – Presented by Dr. Brandi Justice, Hospital Clinical Director.

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


Ms. Haqq reported that there was no use of the spit guard mask for January 2016

Action: The committee approved the Spit Guard Usage Report for January 2016 presented by Simona Haqq, Human Rights Advocate.

F. ECT Update – Presented by Dr. Brandi Justice, Hospital Clinical Director

Action: There were no changes.
VI. **Positive Spotlight:** Ms. Barker spoke about the expansion of the work program with the addition of car detailers, cooking class that has started in the forensic building with the patients on the honor ward and the continued success of the running group in building 39, recently expanded into building 96.

VI. **Adjournment**