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Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional
Local Human Rights Committee
Thursday, July 18, 2013
Betty Whitehead Conference Room – Danville/Pittsylvania Community Services Board

Note: These minutes are subject to approval by the LHRC at its next meeting. Should revisions be made, they will be included as an item in the minutes of that meeting.

LHRC Members in Attendance: Greg Casker; Esther Goins; Jeff Rodden; Lesa Shelton

LHRC Members Not in Attendance: Beverly Scruggs

SVMHI Patient Advocate Senior: Jennifer Kovack

Affiliates Not In Attendance: Caring Hearts Counseling, Inc.; Crossroads Treatment Center; Gentleman of Tomorrow, LLC; HOPE Family Services; Interventions of Virginia; Joshua Home; MT Sorrell Home; Oasis Support Services; Turning Point Family Services

Minutes Recorder: Jerri Lynn Phillips, SVMHI

Regional LHRC Minutes and Meeting Schedule: The Regional Local Human Rights committee (LHRC) minutes and meeting schedule can be located on the Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute's Web Page @ www.svmhi.dbhds.virginia.gov under the heading of Client Advocacy.

Welcome/Call to Order: Greg Casker, Chair, called the Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional Local Human Rights Committee meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Mr. Casker informed the group that Kelly Matthews, committee member, had recently passed away. A moment of silence was observed.

Approval of Minutes: January 24, 2013 minutes were approved .

Public Comment: Opportunity was given for public comment.

- **Affiliation Request:**

Children and Family Community Development: Shirley Purnell presented her request that the committee approve affiliation. The agency will be providing in-home counseling for behavior problems and children at-risk for out of home placement for ages 5 to 21. Currently they are serving one client and have one employee. Referrals are received from the CSB, Social Services, Courts, and Schools. Location is 212 North Union Street. The committee approved the affiliation but has requested additional paperwork.

Advocate's Report:

- Ms. Kovack reminded affiliates that everyone should be signed up with CHRIS. She noted that all screens must be completed when reporting. She cannot close out incidents/cases unless this occurs. If you have a question, please contact her. For technical problems, call Susan Tinsley with the State office. Jennifer will send out the contact information. Quarterly reports can be copied from CHRIS in the future. Please continue with current method until the SHRC approves using CHRIS for all reporting.
- The affiliates have a commitment to notify Jennifer of any consumer that may be interested in serving on the LHRC. There are two available slots to fill – requirements are that he/she has received services in the past five years.

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Affiliate Reports:

- **Diverse Family Services:** No incidents to report. Mental health community support services are provided.
- **New Hope Support Services, LLC:**
 - Halifax – currently serving 50 consumers – no allegations to report.
 - Lynchburg – serving 29 clients
 - Martinsville/Danville – 139 consumers
 - Psychosocial Treatment Program has 45 consumers. No complaints to report.
- **Hughes Home:** Currently serving 53 residents. 110 peer-to-peer incidents reported. 4 residents were involved in 85% of the incidents. There were two complaints at the local level. One employee was terminated and cell phone issues were addressed with the other complaint.
- **Alliant:** No complaints.
- **Family Preservations Services:** 10 peer-to-peer reports closed with no injury and no other complaints. The agency is currently serving 45-50 in the Halifax/Pittsylvania County.
- **Negril:** 44 consumers. 2 pending complaints – one regarding a car accident and another regarding an AR. No abuse.
 - **Day Support:** 39 consumers. No allegations
 - **Therapeutic Day Treatment:** The summer program has 10; mental health support has 15 consumers. Currently there are 14 employees. 1 peer-to-peer resulted in more supervision.
- **Danville Regional Medical Center:** No allegations of abuse. There was one seclusion which resulted in transfer to Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute.
- **New Inspiration:** No allegations. They provide mental health support.
- **Therapeutic Interventions, Inc.:** 39 clients were served with no incidents of abuse.
- **Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute:** 130 clients were served this quarter; there were 7 allegations of abuse – all closed. There were 6 allegations of neglect and 1 count of exploitation. 1 staff member terminated for selling contraband to clients for profit; 5 staff members terminated for failing to follow search policy which led to contraband being brought into the facility. 11 peer-to-peer incidents reported.
- **All Care Family Services:** 80 individuals given mental health support with no allegations.
- **Doss Estates:** No abuse to report. There was one peer-to-peer incident with no injury.
- **Kingdom Dominion:** Serving 3 clients – no complaints. The Day Treatment program has 30 consumers.
- **Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services Board:** 2726 clients were served this quarter. There were 3 allegations of neglect– 1 is pending 2 have been closed. HIPAA was breached and staff counseled.
- **The Linke:** No clients. Will be ready for operation in a few months – providing mental health support services.
- **Virginia Health Partners:** 1 incident of an overdose – not founded.

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- **Support Services of Virginia:** 22 served; 1 allegation of exploitation was founded - the employee resigned.

Next Meeting: October 17, 2013 – DPCS, 245 Hairston Street, Danville, VA 5:30 PM

Adjourned: 6:30 PM