

**Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional  
Local Human Rights Committee**  
February 10, 2011  
Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute

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*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, Lesa Shelton, Jeanne White, Kelly Matthews

**LHRC Members Not in Attendance:** Jeff Rodden, Beverly Scruggs

**Other Representatives in Attendance:** Roanna Deal, SVMHI Patient Advocate Senior

**Affiliates Not In Attendance:** Alliant Human Services; Children and Family Services; Johnny's Heroes; Stanfield Group Home; The Fletcher Center

**Minutes Recorder:** Jerri Phillips, SVMHI

**LHRC Minutes and Meeting Schedule:** The 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](http://www.svmhi.dbhds.virginia.gov) under the heading of Client Advocacy.

**Welcome/Call to Order:** Greg Casker called to order the meeting of the Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional Local Human Rights Committee at 5:37 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:** December 9, 2010 minutes were approved.

**Affiliation Request:** Doss Estates requested approval to add a day program to their residential services. This will be located in the Dry Fork area and would be licensed for 5.

Therapeutic Intervention requested approval of their mental health support services for ages 18 and older. This home will be located in the Danville area and will focus on living skills.

Kelly Matthews made a motion that both requests be accepted; Jeanne White seconded; the committee unanimously approved.

Greg Casker noted that these agencies had already passed State regulations.

**Advocate's Report:** R. Deal reported SVMHI Seclusion and Restraint for December and January:

Seclusion – 136.96 hours

Restraint – 13 restraint events. One event noted for use of ambulatory restraints was requested by the patient. Total time for restraint - 35 minutes.

Complaint data: 2 complaints – unfounded; 1 DI201 – unfounded

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R. Deal reported that Local Human Rights Committees need for their Bylaws and Regulations and Cooperative Agreements to be consistent statewide. She distributed a copy of the Bylaws and the Cooperative Agreements that must be signed by each affiliate before the June meeting. Affiliates were asked to bring the signed copy to the next meeting or mail them to her.

R. Deal reminded providers that if anyone needed training to please let her know.

**Affiliate Reports:**

- **Alternative Community Services** – No complaints for December; one investigation of neglect in January; 1 peer-to-peer incident. Licensing review on 1/20/11 – report is pending.
- **All Care Family Services** – No clients.
- **A New Inspiration** – Serving 35 clients – no incidents to report.
- **Danville Regional Medical Center** – No seclusions/ no peer-to-peer.
- **DPCS – Mental Health/Substance Abuse Services** – No incidents to report.
- **DPCS – Intellectual and Developmental Services** – No complaints, no abuse, neglect, no peer-to-peer and no program changes.
- **Doss Estates** – No abuse/neglect and no peer-to-peer.
- **Family Preservation Services** – No program changes; no complaints.
- **Hughes Center** – There were 20 peer-to-peer incidents in December; 16 peer-to-peer incidents in January – no injuries. The day school has increased from 16 to 20 students. The Center recently underwent review – the preliminary report is good. There are new corporate owners, thus the name change.
- **Kingdom Dominion** – No peer-to-peer; no allegations. Recently underwent review – report has not been received.
- **MT Sorrell Home/ARC of Southside** – No abuse/no neglect.
- **Negril, Inc** – No neglect/abuse/peer-to-peer. They have added a new group home. Offices are still located at North Main Street. Day Support has a new room with two new staff and 34 enrolled. Recently had a license review and Medicaid review with favorable reports. Negril has been licensed from the Board of Education for the Mt. Cross Therapeutic Day Program and After School program serving Danville and Pittsylvania County Schools.
- **New Hope Support Services** – No reports of neglect or complaints.
- **SVMHI** – Renovations continue on the patient units. Ms. Gibson also reported that the Governor's budget did not include closing Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute.

**2011 Meeting Schedule:** The committee agreed to continue meeting the second Thursday every other month at 5:30 PM in the United Way Building. The schedule will be April 14; June 9; August 11; October 13; December 8.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM.

**Next Meeting:** April 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM, United Way of Danville-Pittsylvania County

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