

**CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

**Central State Hospital
26317 W. Washington Street
Building 113, Main Conference Room
Petersburg, Virginia 23803
January 9, 2009
8:30 am Regular Meeting**

Attendance:

Jane Clayborne, Chair; Violet Hite, Vice-Chair; Isabel Vartanian, Member; Randi Key, Member; Jillian, Member; and William Lightfoot, Member

Guests:

Charles Davis, M.D., CSH Facility Director; Jennifer Barker, CSH Director of Patient Relations; Ronald Forbes, M.D., CSH Medical Director; Jim Bell, CSH Forensic Director; Michael Curseen, Human Rights Advocate/OHR; Carrie Flowers, Human Rights Advocate/ OHR; M. Ansley Perkins, Human Rights Advocate/OHR; Rita Martin CSH Social Worker; Hannibal Tuck, LHRC Applicant; and Rose Mitchell, Executive Secretary/OHR.

Absent:

Linda Masri, Member

I. Call to Order: 8:30 am

II. Minutes of December 12, 2008 Meeting

Action: The minutes of the December 12, 2008 meeting were approved.

III. Public Comment:

None

IV. New Business

A. Monthly Variance Report for November & December 08 – Presented by Jim Bell, Forensic Director

Mr. Bell reported that there were no reportable incidents involving the four approved forensic variances during the months of November & December, 2008.

Action: The Committee approved a motion to accept Mr. Bell's reports.

- B. Forensic Unit 39-8 Protocol For the Recurrently Assaultive Patient – Presented by Jim Bell, Director, Forensic Services**

Mr. Bell has withdrawn his request for this item.

(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 public business.

The following subject matters were discussed in Executive Session:

Monthly Abuse Summaries – November 2008

Formal Human Rights Complaints – December 2008

Seclusion & Restraint Date Comparison – December 07 & December 08

Spit Guard Usage – December 08

Membership Application – Mr. Hannibal Tuck

Follow-up RE: Aggression Management Plan, RE: K.D.

(Return to Open Session)

Upon reconvening in 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

- C. Monthly Abuse Summary: November 2008 – Presented by Jennifer Barker**

Action: The LHRC approved a motion to accept Mrs. Barker's report.

- D. Formal Human Rights Complaints – December 2008 – Presented by Jennifer Barker**

Action: The Committee requested that K.D's PRN order be discussed with the patient and that Ms. Flowers be present during this discussion.

Action: The Committee requested follow-up that Ms. Y received the items for her son, a former patient, or that they were compensated for the missing items.

Action: The Committee approved a motion to accept Mrs. Barker's report with the noted two exceptions, listed above.

E. Seclusion & Restraint Data Summary: Comparison of S/R Incident and totals for Dec. 08 with Dec. 07: Presented by Dr. Davis

Dr. Davis presented the Committee with graphs showing an increase in seclusion/restraints for December 2008. Dr. Davis stated this was a result of a patient on 39-8, who is very aggressive on the ward, hitting and trying to choke patients and staff on the ward.

Action: The Committee approved a motion to accept Dr. Davis' report.

F. Spit Mask Usage – December 2008 – Presented by Michael Curseen

Mr. Curseen reported that there was no reported usage of the spit mask for December 2008.

Action: The LHRC approved a motion to accept Mr. Curseen's report.

G. LHRC Membership Application: – Mr. Hannibal Tuck

The Committee approved the membership of Mr. Tuck. Mr. Tuck's application will be forwarded to the SHRC for their approval at their March 6, 2009, meeting.

V. Follow-up Business:

1. LHRC Follow-Up RE: Aggression Management Plan Review of Revised Assessment and Patient Signature RE: K.D. – Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations

Ms. Barker presented the Committee with a copy of the AMP and that K.D. refused to sign the AMP. Ms. Barker also presented a newly completed Functional Assessment on K.D.

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

2. LHRC Follow-up RE: Review/Update of LHRC Interview Questions for CSH LHRC Membership Candidates – Presented by Jane Clayborne, LHRC Chair (**Business Session**)

Action: The Committee approved a motion to accept the sub-committee's revised LHRC interview questions for CSH LHRC Membership Candidates.

VI. Director's Comments:

Dr. Davis stated that they are still struggling with budget pressures and the high medical costs for the patients. Dr. Davis also shared that no employee at CSH has lost their job due to the budget cuts as of this report.

In response to a question from Ms. Clayborne regarding how the no smoking policy was working, Dr. Davis stated that everything was running smoothly.

Adjournment: 10:09 A.M.

Next Meeting Date: February 6, 2009