

Rockbridge Area Local Human Rights Committee
Rockbridge Area Community Services Board
241 Greenhouse Rd, Lexington VA 24450
February 9, 2017 at 3pm
Approved Minutes

Present: Robin Telsch, Laquetta Hayes, Artea Ambrose (phone), Betty Crance, Al Davis, Jean Kelser, Janet Boller, Genevieve Brown

Absent: Cheryl Rittenhouse – Wong, Carolyn Beverly, Donna Bright, Ellen Wheeler, Greg Hornback

Guest: Sarah Ditulli

Introduction of LHRC members and attendees

Additions to Agenda – none.

Approval of minutes from November 2016

Human Rights Advocate's Comments:

Artea Ambrose:

- Providers should ensure service plans capture all medical and behavioral needs as identified in the SIS, Clinical Assessment, or doctors' orders in accordance with 12VAC35-115-60.B.2
- The Human Rights Regulations have been signed by the Governor's Office and went into effect on February 9th. Training for Region 1 will be provided on March 21 in the Staunton area- location to be announced. Training for Region 2 will be provided on March 14 in the Fairfax area – location to be announced.
- CHRIS Guidance:
 - As a reminder, providers should report any instances of potential abuse, neglect, or exploitation to the human rights advocate, and the authorized representative, no later than 24 hours after receipt of the allegation.
 - When reporting, please provide information that is clear, relevant, and thorough. This allows regulators to understand the nature of the incident without needing to request additional information before closing the reports.
- Consolidation of Rockbridge LHRC and Harrisonburg/Rockingham LHRC into the Valley LHRC – The next step of the LHRC consolidation process will affect this LHRC and its affiliates. When we began this process, we had 22 LHRCs, with a proposal for year 1 collapse into 12 LHRCs, including 4 facility LHRCs that must remain, leaving only 8 community-based LHRCs. Therefore, we will have one more meeting as Rockbridge LHRC (May 11, 2017) before the consolidation. The consolidated committees will meet in Staunton, VA. The first meeting of the consolidated committee is scheduled for July 14, 2017 at 9:00am. The time and date

are subject to change based on committee member availability. The Department assumes all administrative support to the consolidated committees effective February 9, 2017.

Affiliated Provider Quarterly Reports:

- Rockbridge Area Community Services
- Commonwealth Lifespan Services
- Humankind: not present – short progress report relayed by Genevieve Brown from Donna Bright.
- ACTS, LLC: not present.
- Building Bridges: not present.

New Business:

Discussion regarding the remaining LHRC account balance – the committee is exploring a community training opportunity to be discussed during the May meeting.

Discussion of CHRIS reporting, timelines and responsibilities of providers and Office of Human Rights Advocate.

Forthcoming Meeting Time:

May 11th, 2017

Rockbridge Area Community Services – 3pm in Room 112
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