

Portsmouth Regional, LHRC
November 18, 2005
Minutes

The Portsmouth Regional Local Human Rights Committee was called to order by Mrs. Eunice Crocker at 9:05 a.m. with Mrs. Corprew and Mr. Norman present.

Comments from Mr. Daye; this is a public meeting and notice of the meetings must be posted three (3) working days of the LHRC meeting. It must be on the affiliates' website or State's website, if the affiliate does not have one. The minutes approved from the previous LHRC meeting must be submitted to the State within 3 working days. A template is being developed at the State meeting on Dec. 2. These changes will not take effect until after more information is received at the February meeting.

Minutes from the August 5, 2005 meeting were read by Gwen McCoy. The minutes were approved with corrections.

Blue Ridge Residential Services has taken over the responsibility for the bank account for the affiliated programs of the PRLHRC. There are 10 providers that are affiliated with the PRLHRC; the bank account is with SunTrust Bank with a current balance of \$1000.00. All members who requested and were granted permanent or temporary affiliation must pay the \$125.00 application fee. Mr. Daye informed Blue Ridge must pay their affiliation fee.

PROGRAM UPDATES

BLUE RIDGE RESIDENTIAL SERVICES - no admissions, 2 discharges, no deaths, no restraints, no seclusions, no violations, no complaints. Blue Ridge Residential Services requested permanent affiliation. Their Rules of Conduct and Behavioral Management Policy were reviewed by the LHRC. Mr. Daye recommended the following changes for Blue Ridge Residential Services:

- Decide to use either TOVA or MANDT for behavioral management.
- Remove the word(s) management team from their behavioral management policy.
- Not to incorporate not giving a person food or drink as a behavioral management. (Doctor's order can recommend to hold meals but as a clinical authorization not behavioral management)
- Opening of mail for a minor is acceptable however you can not read it.
- Use of seclusion and restraints must be approved by LHRC.

Mr. Daye also recommended that Blue Ridge's Residential Services' behavioral management policy not be approved by the board until corrections are made. Blue Ridge Rules of Conduct were approved.

It was motioned by Ms. Corprew and seconded by Mr. Norman that Blue Ridge be granted continued temporary affiliation. The Revision of the Behavioral Management Policy will be returned at next meeting. Blue Ridge paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

INTERCEPT YOUTH SERVICES- 8 clients, 2 admissions, 1 discharge, no deaths, no restraints, no seclusions, no violations, 5 complaints. Intercept Youth Services requested permanent affiliation. Their Rules of Conduct and Behavioral Management Policy were reviewed by the

LHRC and comments were made. Mr. Daye recommended the following changes for Intercept Youth Services:

- Drug Testing using Lab work is voluntary; each participant has a right to refuse drug testing.
- Clarify what secure place or environment means.
- Clarify the use of or remove the word confinement.
- Clarify the implantation of the point sheet.

Ms. Crocker asked “if Intercept Youth Services still had behavior expectations, if it is still in place and does it still exist. Mr. Daye then asked Intercept Youth Services if #9- (the work issue) dealt with the behavioral expectations on the ISP. It was motion by Mrs. Corprew and seconded by Mr. Norman that Intercept Youth Services be granted permanent affiliation. The Revision of Intercept Youth Services’ Rules of Conduct and Behavioral Management Policies will be returned at next meeting. Intercept Youth paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

CHILD of GOD GROUP HOME- no admissions, no discharges, no deaths, no restraints, no seclusions, no violations, no complaints. Child of God Group Home requested permanent affiliation. Their Rules of Conduct and Behavioral Management Policy were reviewed by the LHRC. Mr. Daye recommended the following changes for Child of God Group Home:

- Modify #1, 5,9,11, and omit 12, 16
- Decide to use either TOVA or MANDT for behavioral management

It was motioned by Mr. Norman and seconded by Ms. Corprew that Child of God Group Home be granted permanent affiliation. The Revision of Child of God Group Home’s Rules of Conduct and Behavioral Management Policy will be returned at next meeting. Child of God paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

DOMINION SERVICES for All PEOPLE – 3 admissions, no discharges, no deaths, no restraints, no seclusions, no violations, no complaints. Dominion Services for all People requested permanent affiliation, fee agreement was signed and payment was made of the \$125 application fee. Their Rules of Conduct and Behavioral Management Policy were reviewed by the LHRC and comments were made.

Mr. Daye recommended the following changes for Dominion Services for All People:

- Clarify point system
- List all chores for participants
- Clarify Visitors (Restrictions) – See Regulations
- Clarify Telephone (Usage-Time Frame)
- Explain Contraband

It was motioned by Mr. Norman and seconded by Ms. Corprew that Dominion Services for All People be granted permanent affiliation. The Revision Dominion Services for all People Rules of Conduct and Behavioral Management Policy (Point System) will be returned at next meeting. Dominion Services paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

CORINE’S PLACE- no clients no admissions, no discharges, no deaths, no restraints, no seclusions, no violations, no complaints. Corine’s Place Behavioral Management plan (MANDT) was approved with corrections. The Revision of the Behavioral Management Policy will be returned at next meeting. Corine’s Place paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

FAMMAT- 11 clients, 8 admissions, 1 discharge, no deaths, no restraints, no seclusions, no violations, no complaints. Annual license 9/11/05- 9/10/06. Fammat’s Behavioral Management policy will be brought in for review at the next meeting. FAMMAT paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

PHOENIX ASPIRATIONS- 3 clients, 4 admissions, 1 discharge, no deaths, 3 restraints, no seclusions, no violations, no complaints. Phoenix Aspiration System of Care's Behavioral Management policy was approved with 1 noted correction (verbal de-escalation) The Revision of the Behavioral Management Policy will be returned at next meeting. Phoenix Aspirations paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

SHEPHERDS LODGE - 4 clients, no admissions, no discharges, no deaths, no restraints, no seclusions, no violations, no complaints. Shepherds Lodge's Behavioral Management policy was approved with one prevision. Shepherds Lodge paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

VBMC – No report; Excused from meeting by Mr. Daye but did not forward status report or Behavior Management Plan as requested and agreed upon.

AA&G GROUP HOME- 4 clients, no admissions, no discharges, no deaths, no restraints, no seclusions, no violations, no complaints. AA& G Group Home's Behavioral Management Policy (Therapeutic Options) was approved with one correction. AAG paid fee and signed affiliation agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation was given by Faith, Hope and Charity Group Home. Faith Hope and Charity Group Home currently has 2 clients and requested temporary affiliation. Their Policies and Procedures were reviewed by the LHRC. Mr. Daye recommended the following changes for Faith, Hope and Charity Group Home:

- Explain procedures of formal and informal complaints.
- Clarify time away and remove unsecured and secure time away on pages 33, 34 and 37.
- Have policy to reflect petition court procedures for incompetent clients.

It was motioned by Ms. Corprew and seconded by Mr. Norman that Faith, Hope and Charity Group Home be granted temporary affiliation. Faith, Hope and Charity waiting for approval of Policy and Procedures from Chanda Braggs .Their Rules of Conduct and Behavioral Management will be returned at next meeting.

REMARKS

Ms. Corprew motioned and Mr. Norman seconded that the PRLHRC will close at 11 programs. No new programs will be incorporated in the PRLHRC at this time.

The next PRLHRC meeting will be at 9:00am on February 24, 2006 at First Baptist Church of Taylorsville located at 2720 Turnpike Road Portsmouth, Virginia 23707.

CLOSED SESSIONS- The LHRC voted to go into closed session pursuant to VA code 2.2-3711A to review allegations of abuse, complaints or serious incidents which occurred at Intercept Youth Services. LHRC voted to come out of closed session at 12:10. Each member certified only allegations of abuse, complaints and serious incidents were discussed while in closed session.

Chairperson- Ms. Eunice Crocker

Secretary- Ms. Gwen McCoy

