

DRAFT
CENTRAL VIRGINIA COMMUNITY SERVICES
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 2, 2009

CVCS – Child & Family Training Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: *Katherine Oulds*, Chairperson; Jennifer Kerns; Brenda Miller; Catharine Montgomery, Ida Powell

OTHERS PRESENT: *Sherry Miles*, Regional Advocate; *Sharon Levin*, Administrative Support; *Karen Wilder*, **The Arc of Central Virginia**; *Juli Larson*, **Blue Ridge Support Services**; *Kimberly Shepherd*, **Blue Ridge Residential Services**; *Brent McCraw*, **Centra Health**; *Kelly Baldwin*, *Betty Thacker*, *Wanda Sandifer*, **Central Virginia Community Services**; *Everett Foxx*, *Dwayne Lynch*, *Shirley Gerrest*, *Mary Lugar*, **Dominion Day Services**; *Randi Bauder*, **EHS Support Services**; *Antoinette Pierce*, *Tarneshia Carter*, *Shaniqua Wilkerson*, *Eric Mattocks*, **Family Impact**; *Carrington Menzel*, **Harvest Outreach Center**; *Jenny DeLorenzo*, *Chas Colley*, **Hope Tree Family Services**; *Chris Tibbs*, **Innovative Family Consultants**; *Nicole Chalmers*, **The Madeline Centre**; *Angela McKinney*, *Hallie Thaxton*, **McKinney Residential Services**; *Amy Beatson*, *Frank Selden*, **Presbyterian Homes**; *Mary Rice*, **Rice Counseling & Assoc.**; *David Taylor*, **Sheltered Workshop of Altavista**; *Sterling Wilder*, **Tree of Life/Jubilee Center**; *Vanessa Harvey*, **VP&J Services**; *Courtney Evans*, *Dawn Anderson*, *Jenise Wade*, *Alicia Payne*, *Vickie Frazier*, **Wall Residences**; *Rosalind Wynne*, **Wynnes Adult Care**; *Matt Brown*, *Sabrina Windsor*, **Youth Intervention Services**

AFFILIATES ABSENT: Braley & Thompson, Centra Care, Family Coaching, Jessie Calloway, Meridian House, National Counseling Group, New Beginnings, Seneca House

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Oulds called the meeting to order.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion was made and passed to go into Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code, 2.2-3711 (15), for the purpose of a Next Friend Hearing for JD. This review necessarily involved discussion and consideration of mental and medical records excluded and information excluded from the Freedom of Information Act. Members present were Katherine Oulds, Jennifer Kerns, Brenda Miller, Catharine Montgomery, and Ida Powell. Others present were Betty Thacker, Wanda Sandifer, Alicia Payne, Dawn Anderson, and JD.

Upon reconvening in public session, the Central Virginia Community Services Local Human Rights Committee unanimously certified that to the best of each Local Human Rights Committee 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 Executive Session were discussed in the Executive Session.

The motion was made and unanimously passed to appoint Wanda Sandifer to serve as JD's Next Friend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion was made and passed to go into Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code, 2.2-3711 (15), for the purpose of discussion or consideration of the restrictive treatment plan for CC. This review necessarily involved discussion and consideration of mental and medical records excluded and information excluded from the Freedom of Information Act. **Members present were Katherine Oulds, Jennifer Kerns, Brenda Miller, Catharine Montgomery, and Ida Powell. Others present were Courtney Evans, Dawn Anderson, Vickie Frazier, and CC.**

Ms. Evans reviewed the details in CC's plan.

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The motion was made and unanimously passed to approve the restrictive treatment plan for CC, for which a report is to be made to the committee in October 2009.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion was made and passed to go into Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code, 2.2-3711 (15), for the purpose of a review of the restrictive treatment plan for MA. This review necessarily involved discussion and consideration of mental and medical records excluded and information excluded from the Freedom of Information Act. **Members present were Katherine Oulds, Jennifer Kerns, Brenda Miller, Catharine Montgomery, and Ida Powell. Others present were Courtney Evans and Dawn Anderson.**

Ms. Evans gave an update on MA's plan.

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The motion was made and unanimously passed to approve the restrictive treatment plan for MA, for which a report is to be made if an increase in her condition warrants additional monitoring or if there is an incident in which she is injured.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion was made and passed to go into Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code, 2.2-3711 (15), for the purpose of a review of the restrictive treatment plan for AT. This review necessarily involved discussion and consideration of mental and medical records excluded and information excluded from the Freedom of Information Act. **Members present were Katherine Oulds, Jennifer Kerns, Brenda Miller, Catharine Montgomery, and Ida Powell. Also present was Kimberly Shepherd.**

Ms. Shepherd gave an update on AT's plan.

Upon reconvening in public session, the Central Virginia Community Services Local Human Rights Committee unanimously certified that to the best of each Local Human Rights Committee 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 Executive Session were discussed in the Executive Session.

The motion was made and unanimously passed for the restrictive treatment plan for AT to continue as currently outlined with the provision that the plan be reviewed at the next scheduled meeting upon his request for unsupervised walks.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER

Ms. Oulds welcomed new committee member, Brenda Miller.

APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES

The Committee unanimously passed a motion to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2009, meeting as written.

AFFILIATION REQUEST – The Sheltered Workshop of Altavista

Mr. Taylor reported that the Workshop is in process of applying for licensure for Day Support. The program will provide center-based and community activities, to begin hopefully by September. **The motion was made and unanimously passed to grant affiliation to The Sheltered Workshop of Altavista.**

AFFILIATION REQUEST – Family Impact, Inc.

Ms. Pierce presented information about their program, which provides intensive in-home services to families with children of ages 5 to 18. **The motion was made and unanimously passed to grant affiliation to Family Impact, Inc.**

AFFILIATION REQUEST – Dominion Day Services

Mr. Lynch presented information about their plan to add to their current services Day Treatment in the Lynchburg public schools, beginning in fall 2009, for elementary and middle schools. **The motion was made and unanimously passed to grant affiliation to the new program of Dominion Day Services.**

AFFILIATION REQUEST – Presbyterian Home

Mr. Seldon presented information about their plan to add mental health supports for ages 16 and older for their residents and members of the community. **The motion was made and unanimously passed to grant affiliation to the new program of Presbyterian Home.**

RECRUITMENT

Ms. Oulds announced that the committee needs 2 consumers. Ms. Miles explained that a "consumer" is anyone who is currently receiving or has received services from a public or private sector provider within the past 5 years in mental health, mental retardation, or substance abuse. ~~The nomination of the February applicant should be heard at the April meeting of the Department, which would mean she can attend the June meeting.~~

REGIONAL ADVOCATES' REPORT

Ms. Miles distributed a handout of the Department's new name, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS), to go into effect July 1. The web address will be www.dbhds.virginia.gov. Ms. Miles new email will be Sherry.Miles@co.dbhds.virginia.gov. However, her current email address, as well as the department's current Web site address, will continue to work for up to a year after July 1, 2009.

Ms. Miles said that, due to her increased work load, she prefers emails to phone calls. She also reported that the CVTC Human Rights Advocate Senior's ~~Regional Advocate~~'s position should be filled soon.

She stressed the importance of documentation, including talks with an individual and what was discussed.

PROGRAM UPDATES

Blue Ridge Support Services – serves 15 individuals, reported no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Dominion Day** – serves 6 individuals, have 1 closed case, reported no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Hope Tree** – have 4 residents, 2 openings, no problems, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Madeline Centre** – has expanded Therapeutic Treatment program in Danville, serves 85 individuals in-home and 150 in day treatment. **VP&J** – no changes, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Wynne** – at capacity, serving 8 individuals, no changes, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **CVCS** – 2 ongoing investigations; new grant-funded program: a consumer-run drop-in center in the building beside Courtland for education and support, under Adult & Family Services. **EHS** – serves 72 under mental health supports, had multiple complaints on 1 staff member no longer with them, no changes, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Harvest** – serves 16, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Innovative** – no changes, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **McKinney** – serves 3 clients, no changes, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Rice** – serves 30 individuals in-home, now serves individuals with Medicaid, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Tree of Life** – waiting for final approval, with a target date of June 15 to begin offering services. **Wall** – serves 113 individuals, has 55 providers, 12 vacancies, a few staff changes, no complaints or allegations of abuse/neglect. **Youth Intervention** – Lynchburg office is now open. **ARC** – reported a new sponsored home on VES Road.

MEMBER RE-APPOINTMENT

The motion was made and unanimously passed to re-appoint Ms. Oulds as a committee member for another 3 years.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made and unanimously passed to adjourn the meeting.