



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH
LANSING

RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

JAMES K. HAVEMAN
DIRECTOR

MINUTES

RECIPIENT RIGHTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 9, 2014

Our Mission

It is the mission of the Michigan Department of Community Health Recipient Rights Advisory Committee to advise the Directors of the Michigan Department of Community Health and the State Office of Recipient Rights in order to ensure that the rights of individuals receiving public mental health services are protected and promoted.

Our Vision

It is the vision of the Michigan Department of Community Health Recipient Rights Advisory Committee that Michigan values a public mental health system in which individuals receiving services are treated with dignity and respect, enjoy full and fair access to the rights accorded them and are free to participate fully in all aspects of their lives.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Basil, Mark, Margaret, Sue, Denise, Michelle, Cinnamon, Vendella

The meeting was called to order at 1:10pm by Mark Reinstien, Chair

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Gary – **Motioned**; Basil – Second; Motion carried

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

November 14, 2013

Gary – **Motioned**; Basil – Second; Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sean Bennett *spoke on forced medication, A.O.T. and electro-shock therapy*. – Civil Rights Advocate and Policy forces medication and informed consent. Seeking RRAC to *examine and act on these issues*. study rights to the issue and to advise ORR to advocate for informed consent with MDCH. Mark thanked Mr. Bennett for his concerns and stated he will gather his concerns and share with the group at a future meeting. Mark explained the role of RRAC. Gary stated his support for Mr. Bennett's concerns and provided his contact information.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Proposal for Change/Budget request (FY15): no updates despite several requests and attempts to make contact for follow up

NLCMH plan of correction completed; now in substantial compliance with requirements from special investigation

ORR Audit – some problems with audit findings. Auditors have gone back and are reviewing findings. One email requested a re-write of a memo regarding training

MDCH formal recognition: Dianne – 30 yrs and Andy 35 yrs of state employment;
Congratulations from RRAC

March meeting at Peckham – committee discussion ensued regarding potential conflicts associated with hosting meeting at this location; ~~Employment First in Michigan by DD Council and adopted by MARO with same similarities~~; potential of Peckham appearing to have endorsement from RRAC. **Motioned** - Denise to not host meeting at Peckham; Seconded by Vendella. Motion Carried. Committee agrees to decline the meeting date and next meeting date will continue at usual location.

STAFF REPORTS

Reports included in folders for review. Committee moves forward with meeting

ROLE OF ORR DEVELOPMENT IN DEPARTMENT POLICIES

Issues: (A) should state hospital be able to set own policies; (B) should ORR be the agent; (C) should **DCH other than ORR** facility set **own the** policies. Discussion ensued. Past agreement – ORR would set policy and each facility could develop own procedures: issue raised by one state facility regarding one single policy. Sec. 752 – the department, each CMHSP and each licensed hospital shall develop... Discussion ensued. Motion - RRAC support ORR in the rights development of policies for hospitals and each hospital developing specific procedures in compliance with policy. ORR should be sole determiner in standards of each rights policy. **Motioned** by Basil; Seconded by Gary. Motion carries.

Strategy: Mark to contact and request dialog with Director and Nick regarding RRAC position on policy development and get their input. Mark will develop and provide letter.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS REAPPOINTMENT OUTCOMES

Letters to date still have not been signed.

ANNUAL DATE SUBMISSION DEADLINE: COOKIE GANT AWARD

Deadline for nominations by July 10 meeting

Andy will send notice before March meeting; notice will be signed by Mark.

CUSTOMER SERVICE CONNECTION

Update provided by Denise

NEXT MEETING

March 13, 2013
Lewis Cass Building
3rd floor conference room
Lansing, Michigan

ADJOURNMENT

2:50pm