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**Recipient Rights Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes**

June 12, 2024

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Location: Hybrid – Virtual and In Person at MDHHS South Grand Building

Present:	Tammy Banker, Tina Bertram, Melissa Callison, David Emmett-Hulet, Dr. Robert Lagrou (virtual, military exemption), Margaret Stooksberry (virtual), Lynn TenBrock
Absent:	Dianne Baker, Yasmina Bouraoui, Chardae Burton. Elizabeth O’Dell, Shaun Thompson
ORR Staff:	Karen Currington, Raymie Postema, Andrew Silver, Edward Wilson Jennifer Gorman (virtual), Robin Vican (virtual)
Guests:	None

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 1:03 PM by Melissa Callison, who agreed to chair the meeting in the absence of both Elizabeth O’Dell and Robert Lagrou (who joined later).

Approval of Agenda

Agenda was moved to be accepted as written.

Moved: Tina Bertram Supported: Lynn TenBrock

Motion carried

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the April 10, 2024 meeting were reviewed and moved to approve as written.

Moved: David Emmett-Hulet Supported: Tina Bertram

Motion carried

ORR Updates and Reports

Director – Raymie Postema

- ORR is currently undergoing a scheduled audit from OAG (Office of Auditor General). The preliminary review should take 6-8 weeks. They will decide whether to do a full review based on their preliminary findings.

- Legislation: Senate Bill 227 regarding PRTFs and CCLs (children's services) was signed by Governor Witmer. MDHHS is developing a memo to go out publicly about the program.
- House Bill 5114 changes language in Chapter 4 and Chapter 7 of the Mental Health Code. Currently only physicians can order restraint and seclusion. The bill would include other medical professionals allowed to authorize restraint and seclusion.
- Board Association conference was this week. They are already preparing for the fall conference, which may include a session from ORR on behavior treatment committee changes.

Education, Training and Compliance Unit – Andrew Silver

- Tammi Leto and Beverly Sobolewski are working on revisions to the online rights training on Improving MI Practices. Goal for completion is October 1. Committee members discussed how the current training is used and how widely it would be accepted in community settings.
- Most CMH rights system assessments this quarter were fine, and overall sites seem stable.
- All fall rights conference sessions have been filled. The committee is working on the brochure now and hope to have it published by July.

Investigation Unit – Karen Currington

- Karen Currington submitted a written report regarding complaint investigation activities.
- Walter Reuther rights advisor positions have all been filled.
- There were 481 complaints with 22 substantiations this quarter. This is consistent with previous quarters.

Unfinished Business

Legislative Workgroup: Still getting organized. The group decided to pick one current issue to get started and chose restraint and seclusion. Will plan to offer support for House Bill 5114 to Director Hertel.

New Business

Strategic Goals: The committee discussed the best approach to developing goals. All agreed an online survey may be the best way to start. David Emmett-Hulet agreed to create a survey and send it to committee members.

Cookie Gant Nominations: Very few nominations were received. The committee discussed how to increase participation in the nomination process.

Nominations for the award were reviewed and the committee unanimously agreed on an awardee, which will be presented at the rights conference.

Sigma/Reimbursement Issues: Committee members need to register as a vendor in the system before they can submit expenses. The system offers phone support for questions.

Conference: There are a certain number of scholarships available for recipients, including RRAC members. If your employer will agree to pay for conference, please have them do so. Otherwise, the conference steering committee can cover costs for committee members.

Training on Recipient Rights Policies

Raymie Postema reviewed APF 152: *Medication*, APF 153: *Use of Psychotropic Drugs*, and APF 164: *Freedom of Movement* with the committee.

Committee Announcements

Tammy Banker reported that Sparrow Hospital has requested approval for additional beds and a new building. Their hospital is now part of the U of M health system. Target for open is 2027.

Tina Bertram reported CEI CMH intends to open a crisis stabilization unit. Opening is likely in 2025.

Public Comment

None

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Meeting during the rights conference for an abbreviated meeting.

Review of strategic goal planning survey results

Legislative workgroup update

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2:41 PM