HUMAN RIGHTS AUTHORITY
SOUTH SUBURBAN REGION MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 13th, 2011
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The regular scheduled meeting of the Human Rights Authority, South Suburban Region was called to order by Judith Rauls, Chairperson at 9:12 a.m.

PRESENT: Judith Rauls, Kimberlee Brewerton, Theresa Buell, Georgia Jones and Carol Genutis.

Member Absent: Michele Arthur

STAFF: Geraldine Boatman

GUESTS: Linda Conway, Ingalls Memorial Hospital
Christine Daniel, Provena Saint Joseph Medical Center
Sara Shotsberger, Individual Advocacy Group
Corin Hammond, Individual Advocacy Group

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson read the confidentiality statement. It was determined that a quorum was present, and all business could be conducted. The meeting agenda was changed to accommodate our guests and introductions were made.

The Chairperson motioned to move the meeting into closed session at 9:17 a.m. pursuant to Section 3955/21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act to discuss the Provena Saint Joseph Medical Center case #11-040-9011, the Individual Advocacy Group case #12-040-9002 and the Ingalls Memorial Hospital case #12-040-9003 with the providers' representatives.

Open session reconvened at 10:17 a.m. having taken no action in closed session. A summary of closed session included three cases discussed with the provider's representatives.

II. COMMUNICATION

It was moved by Theresa Buell to accept the September 8th, 2011 Meeting Minutes without changes. Motion was seconded by Carol Genutis and carried.

III. NEW COMPLAINTS

12-040-9004 (Southwest Community Services) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to accept the

complaint for investigation. Motion was seconded by Georgia Jones and carried. Carol Genutis and Theresa Buell were assigned to investigate the complaint.

12-040-9005 (Community Housing Program) Theresa Buell moved to postpone accepting the complaint for investigation because further information is needed. Also, a release of information was not received. Motion was seconded by Carol Genutis and carried.

The Chairperson moved the meeting back into closed session at 10:48 a.m. pursuant to Section 3955/21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act to discuss progress reports, a report of findings, provider's responses and case closures. Kimberlee Brewerton moved the motion. Theresa Buell seconded and carried.

Progress Reports:

11-040-9005 (Millennium Gardens) (Kimberlee and Georgia)
11-040-9006 (Millennium Gardens) (Kimberlee and Georgia)
11-040-9007 (Heart to Heart) (Theresa and Michele)
11-040-9008 (New Hope Center) (Theresa and Michele)
11-040-9010 (Timberline Knolls) (Michele Arthur and Carol Genutis)
11-040-9011 (Provena Saint Joseph Medical Center) (Michele Arthur and Judy Rauls)
11-040-9012 (Tinley Park MHC) (Michele Arthur and Carol Genutis)
11-040-9013 (Chicago Ridge Nursing & Rehabilitation) (Michele Arthur and Judy Rauls)
11-040-9014 (Saint James Hospital and Medical Centers)
11-040-9015 (Tinley Park Mental Health Center)
12-040-9001 (Carole Lane Terrace)
12-040-9002 (Individual Advocacy Group)
12-040-9003 (Ingalls Memorial Hospital)

Reports/Responses:

10-040-9020 (St. James Hospital) (Judy and Carol) A provider's response was not reviewed.
10-040-9024 (Burnham Healthcare) (Judy and Michele) A provider's response was reviewed.
10-040-9026 (Lydia Healthcare) (Carol and Michele) A provider's response was not reviewed.
11-040-9001 (Advocate Christ Medical Center) (Georgia and Michele) The provider requested an extension for a response because the report was not received.
11-040-9002 (Riviera Care Center) (Judy and Kimberlee) The provider did not provide a response to the report.
11-040-9003 (Trinity Services) (Theresa and Georgia) A report was reviewed.
11-040-9004 (St. Coletta of Illinois) (Michele, Theresa and Kimberlee) A provider's response was reviewed.

Open session reconvened at 11:27 a.m. having taken no action in closed session. A summary of closed session included discussion about thirteen progress reports, one report of findings and six possible case closures. The policies concerning Heart to Heart case #11-040-9007 were received by the subpoena deadline.

VI. Reports/Accept Response/ Closures/ Make Report Available to the Public

10-040-9020 (Saint James Hospital) Carol Genutis moved to keep the case open for revised policies and staff attendance training sheets. Georgia Jones seconded and motion carried.

10-040-9024 (Burnham Healthcare) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to accept the provider's response, close the case and to make the report a part of the public record. The provider requested that its response be made public. Georgia Jones seconded and motion carried.

10-040-9026 (Lydia Healthcare) Carol Genutis moved to keep the case open for a response to the report. Georgia Jones seconded and motion carried.

11-040-9001 (Advocate Christ Medical Center) Carol Genutis moved to keep the case open for a response to the report. Georgia Jones seconded and motion carried.

11-040-9002 (Riviera Care Center) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to close the case and to make the report a part of the public record. The report did not contain any violations. A provider's response was not received.

11-040-9003 (Trinity Services) Kimberlee Brewerton moved to accept the report without any changes. Theresa Buell seconded and motion carried.

11-040-9004 (St. Coletta of Illinois) Carol Genutis moved to keep the case open because the provider disagrees with the report that contains violations. The Coordinator will send a letter to the provider for a copy of the policy referenced in its response. The letter will also include a statement inviting the agency's Counsel to attend the regional next meeting. Georgia Jones seconded and motion carried.

OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The need to schedule site visits were discussed.
The next meeting is scheduled at Sertoma Center, Alsip on November 10th, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
The Regional Authority is looking for citizen HRA members.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairperson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m. Theresa Buell moved the motion. Georgia Jones seconded and motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Buell

Theresa Buell, Secretary
Human Rights Authority, South Suburban Region