

CHICAGO REGIONAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 13, 2014
Madden Mental Health Center
1200 S. 1st Ave., Hines, IL

HRA Chairperson Nicole Erickson opened the meeting of the Chicago Regional Human Rights Authority (HRA) at 5:10 p.m. The meeting was held at Madden Mental Health Center, Hines, IL.

Members Present: Edie Bukwa, David Ginter, Donna Claffy, Ashley Casati, Nicole Erickson, Beth Tucker and Kamil Jaruga.

Members Absent: Eric Mathiasen.

Staff Present: Pat Betzen

Guests: None

Nicole noted that a quorum was present. Nicole read the Confidentiality statement.

Approval of April 1, 2014 Meeting Minutes: David made a motion to approve the April 1, 2014 minutes; the motion was properly seconded and carried.

Communications: None.

NEW BUSINESS

New Complaints:

14-030-9021 MacNeal. The complaint alleges that a recipient was transferred to MacNeal after having surgery at another hospital and experienced some related depression. At MacNeal the recipient was told that the staff did not have time to take care of her medical and hygiene needs. A release has been received. Ashley made a motion to accept the case and it was properly seconded and passed.

14-030-9023 Hines VA. The complaint alleges that a veteran was administered forced emergency medication without adequate cause and the unit staff do not follow Mental Health Code mandates for the administration of emergency medication. A release has been received. Donna made a motion to accept the case and it was properly seconded and passed.

14-030-9024 Lakeshore Hospital. The complaint alleges that a recipient was not given the right to refuse treatment in the form of AA meeting attendance. A release has been received. Donna made a motion to accept the case and it was properly seconded and passed.

14-030-9025 Chicago Read. The complaint alleges that a recipient was administered forced emergency medication in violation of the Mental Health Code. A release has been received. Donna made a motion to accept the case and it was properly seconded and passed.

14-030-9026 UIC Hospital. The complaint alleges that the POA for the recipient sent a letter to the recipient's physician stating that she did not want the recipient to receive a medication which caused the recipient adverse reactions and necessitated frequent blood draws. The physician ordered the medication which changed her son's behavior dramatically and required blood draws every other day due to its dangerousness. A release has not yet been received. Donna made a motion to accept the case pending receipt of the release and it was properly seconded and passed.

Kamil made a motion to go into closed session at 5:20 p.m. pursuant to Section 3955/21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act to discuss reports and responses and other matters which could not be discussed without revealing confidential information. The motion was properly seconded and carried.

The HRA returned to open session at 5:46 p.m. having taken no action in closed session. A summary of the closed session includes updates on open cases, discussion of reports as well as responses, and case closures.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ratifications: None.

Reports of Findings:

14-030-9009- Magnolia. A motion was made to accept the report without revision and the motion was properly seconded and passed.

14-030-9011- St. Bernard. A motion was made to accept the report without revision and the motion was properly seconded and passed.

14-030-9014- MacNeal. The site visit was held on May 8, 2014 and the report is forthcoming.

14-030-9015- Cedar Point. The site visit was held on May 6, 2014 and the report is forthcoming.

Case Closures:

14-030-9010- Eden Supportive Living. A motion was made to close the case and make the report part of the public record. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

14-030-9012- Riveredge. The facility has requested an extension to complete the response to the report. The response will be considered at the next meeting of the HRA.

14-030-9013- Riveredge. The facility has requested an extension to complete the response to the report. The response will be considered at the next meeting of the HRA.

Case Status Reports:

14-030-9017 Hartgrove. The HRA received the clinical record however it was missing progress notes. The HRA requested and received the progress notes and a site visit will be scheduled after the HRA has time to review the notes.

14-030-9018 C4 Clinic. A site visit will be scheduled soon.

Announcements and Comments:

The next meeting of the HRA is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at Madden Mental Health Center.

Adjournment: The HRA agreed to adjourn at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kamil Jaruga

Kamil Jaruga, Secretary