



CHICAGO REGIONAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 29, 2015
Madden Mental Health Center
1200 S. 1st Ave., Hines, IL

HRA Chair Ashley Casati opened the meeting of the Chicago Regional Human Rights Authority (HRA) at 5:33 p.m. The meeting was held at Madden Mental Health Center, Hines, IL.

Members Present: Ashley Casati, Eric Mathiasen, David Ginter, Donna Claffy, Nicole Erickson, Michael Shukis, Regina Pessagno, Kamil Jaruga, and Sheila Orr.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Pat Betzen

Guests: None

Ashley noted that a quorum was present. Ashley read the Confidentiality Statement.

Approval of August 18, 2015 Meeting Minutes. A motion was made to accept the minutes. It was properly seconded and passed.

Communications: None

NEW BUSINESS

New Complaints:

#16-030-9006. The complaint alleges that the provider administered forced emergency medication for no adequate reason. A release has been received. A motion was made to accept the complaint for investigation. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

#16-030-9008. The complaint alleges that a recipient was restrained and administered forced emergency treatment for no adequate reason and that the restraint caused her physical injury. A release has been received. A motion was made to accept the case. The motion was properly seconded and passed.



#16-030-9009. The complaint alleges that the recipient was involuntarily admitted into the Behavioral Health Unit for no adequate reason. A release has been received. A motion was made to accept the case. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

#16-030-9010. The complaint alleges that the recipient's physician would not speak to the recipient's guardians, did not receive their consent for the recipient's medications or the changes he made to the patient's medications, restricted the recipient's visitation and phone for no reason, administered forced medication for no adequate reason, and threatened the recipient with hospitalization if he questioned the physician's orders. A release and Letter of Office have been received. A motion was made to accept the complaint for investigation. It was properly seconded and passed.

Ashley made a motion to enter into closed session at 5:51 p.m. pursuant to Section 21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act (20 ILCS 3955/21) and Section 120/2 (c) (4) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2); the motion was seconded by Donna and carried. The purpose of the closed session was as follows: to discuss updates of open cases, reports of findings, provider responses, and case closures.

The HRA returned to open session at 6:46 p.m. having taken no action in closed session. A summary of the closed session includes updates on open cases, reports of findings, as well as case closures.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ratifications: None

Reports of Findings:

#15-030-9016- Hartgrove. The HRA reviewed the report for #15-030-9016- Hartgrove. A motion was made to accept the report without revision. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

#15-030-9017- Madden. The HRA reviewed the report for #15-030-9017 Madden. A motion was made to accept the report without revision. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

#15-030-9018- Loretto. The HRA reviewed the report for #15-030-9018 Loretto. A motion was made to accept the report without revision. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

Case Closures:

#14-030-9023- Hines VA. The VA did not provide a response to the HRA's recommendations. The HRA voted to postpone the closure of this case pending administrative consultation.

#15-030-9003- Hines VA. The VA did not provide a response to the HRA's recommendations. The HRA voted to postpone the closure of this case pending administrative consultation.

#15-030-9004- Envision. A motion was made to close the case and make the report part of the public record. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

#15-030-9014- St. Bernard. A motion was made to close the case and make the report part of the public record. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

Announcements and Comments:

The next meeting of the HRA is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at Madden Mental Health Center.

Adjournment: The HRA agreed to adjourn at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kamil Jaruga