LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING

January 23, 2015 University of Virginia Health System, Psychiatry Library 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Members: **Beth Gager**– Chair Christine Duguet – Vice Chair **Wendie Price** – Secretary

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Regional Advocate: Mark Seymour

UVA Representatives: **Brenda Barrett**, RN Lynne Fleming – Legal Counsel **Dr. Dameron**

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Meeting called	Chair Beth Gager called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm.	
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Meeting Minutes	The minutes of the Local Human Rights Committee held on October 17, 2014, were reviewed.	
	Approval was postponed until the next meeting due to a lack of a voting quorum today.	
Public Comment	-Region 10 opened a new clinic at Peterson Health Clinic at 800 Preston Ave. Offering Case	
	Managers, Adult Services Clinic, and PACT Team. Open house on 2/12 from 12-3pm.	
	- Region 10 is applying for a SAMUA grant for integrated services at MJH.	
ADVOCATE'S	-Introduction of Mark Seymour, who will be covering as Regional Advocate until a replacement is	
REPORT	found.	
	-OHR has inherited the Northern Region in NOVA. The new advocate there will be Sarah Burlar.	
	-New Commissioner is Dr. Ferguson.	
	-will be having all advocates do in-depth investigations	
	-sends out newsletter, "All In" on a regular basis	
	-since the incident with Senator Deeds' son, pre-screeners are now reluctant to send people	
	home. In the last issue of the newsletter, Ferguson reported there were no instances of	
	ECO-TDO where no beds were available	
	- Ferguson started a new recovery position at the Dept. of Behavioral Health Services.	
	Becky Sterling has been appointed to begin a new Peer Specialist Certification program	
	-NOVA Training Center with 86 beds closing has been extended to next year.	
	-SOVA Training Center with 267 beds	
	- In Jan. 2014 Governor McCauliff announced the Governor's Access Plan (GAP) for	

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	Physical and behavioral treatment for people with mental illness. The money is to come	
	from savings in Medicaid. \$13 million + Federal matching funds in 2015 and \$77 million +	
	Federal matching funds in 2016.	
	-If you would like to subscribe to Debora Ferguson's newsletter, send an email to Mark.	
Manager's	-5E now has 25 beds. Renovations are beginning for a geri patient day room.	
REPORT	-Occupational Therapy will begin using aromatherapy for geriatric patients. Nurse researchers at	
	UVA are studying its use to document benefits. Other institutions are using aromatherapy for their	
	patients.	
	-Quarterly Report	
	In response to questions: Modifications are being made to the shower floor, and the delirium of	
	60 y.o. patient was not drug or alcohol related.	
Comments from	-Beth reports that she has a candidate in mind for membership in the LHRC. She will approach	
LHRC members	this person.	
	-The UVA ED now has a Crisis Assessment Peer Specialist available to help support patients for	
	involuntary admission. The average wait time for a bed is 4 hours. After observing the 1 st month's	
	results, the Peer Counceler center increased to full time.	
Discharges to	2014 1 st Quarter-Jan.6-Feb.9-March7	
WSH	2 nd Quarter-April 6-May 11-June4	
	3 rd Quarter-July 3-Aug.4-Sept. 4	
	4 th Quarter-Oct.7-Nov. 5-Dec.	
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM	

Next meeting will be held on Friday: July 24