

HEALTH PLANNING REGIONAL LHRC

Approved Minutes

Monday August 4, 2024

1:00pm

The Norfolk Community Service Board

7447 Central Business Park Dr,

Norfolk Virginia 23513

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michelle Logan – Member

Patricia Albritton – Member

Christy Kieschnick – Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Emily Bebbber – Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

Latoya Wilborne – Regional Human Rights Manager, DBHDS Region 5

Corie Reed – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region 5

Miracle Reed-Thompson – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region 5

Tyesha Jones-Scott – Regional Coordinator, Blue Ridge Residential

Anthony Wolfe – Executive Director, Blue Ridge Residential

Robi Vandevander – Risk Manager, Blue Ridge Residential

Janette Doucette – Regional Manager, Blue Ridge Residential

Justin Quintrell – Regional Coordinator

Dana Gillentine-Kempsville Center for Behavioral Health

Brandon Murrer-Harbor Point Behavioral Health Center

Ericka Palmer-Interviewee

Melani Rhodes-Interviewee

CALL TO ORDER:

Patrician Albritton – Acting Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:06pm

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE:

Those in attendance made introductions. Chair welcomes attendees.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Christy Kieschnick and seconded by Michelle Logan. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the previous minutes for April 21, 2025 was made by Christy Kieschnick and seconded by Michelle Logan. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None.

ADVOCATE REPORT AND TRAINING:

Abuse and Neglect Allegations	
January 1 – March 31, 2025	April 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025
422	542 (120 more case than last quarter)
Substantiated= 65	Substantiated= 43
None Abuse and Neglect Complaints	
January 1 – March 31, 2025	April 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025
140	78 (Decrease of 62 cases)
Substantiated = 9	Substantiated = 9

Variances

Region 5 continues to have 10 active Variances:

12VAC35-115-50 (7) Communication via telephone: 3

12VAC35-115-50 (8) Visitation: 4

12VAC35-115-100 Restriction on Everyday Freedom: 1

12VAC35-115-100 (A)(1) and (110) Time Out: 1

12VAC35-115-100 (A)(1)(g) Use of Vending Machines: 1

Updates

- **Investigator Training Verification**
- The Office of Human Rights continues to verify that each provider has a Trained Investigator which is a regulatory requirement of 12VAC35-115-175 (F)(4). Through this verification process we have been able to identify several providers that have not be in compliance with this regulation. To ensure compliance we have referred the provider to complete the Investigating Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation training that is offered through this office.

- Our office continues recruitment effort for members to join our LHRC'S. We currently have 3 Local Human Rights Committees for the community in Region 5
 - Health Planning Region 5 which meets at the Norfolk Community Service Board quarterly on the 3rd Monday @ 1:00pm
 - Southeastern Regional LHRC which meets at the James Barry Robinson Institute quarterly every third Wednesday @9:30 am
 - Southeast Alliance LHRC which meets at the Riverside Mental Health & Recovery Center quarterly on the 3rd Tuesday @ 12:00pm
- So if you know anyone that is interested in serving please have them to reach out to anyone on our team and we can go over the recruitment process and assist with completing the application if necessary.
- Health Planning Region 5 may have a new member that will be joining our team. We are waiting the confirmation of the SHRC in August. Once they have been confirmed we will let you all know.

Upcoming Events

The Office of Human Rights continues to offer free training to community providers that you can register for by visiting the OHR website. Our next New Provider Orientation is scheduled for August 27, 2025. Our next Community Training course will be:

Investigating Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation September 18th 9am – Noon

Overview of the Human Rights Regulations August 7th 9am – Noon

Reporting in CHRIS September 4th 9am -Noon

Restrictions, Behavioral Treatment Plans and Restraints Aug 21st 9am - Noon

Upcoming 2025 SHRC Meetings

The State Human Rights Committee continues to meet monthly with their next scheduled meeting on August 14, 2025 in Virginia Beach. The location has not been determined as we are currently searching for a provider to host this meeting. If you are interested in attending, please let your advocate know and arrangements will be made for you.

OLD BUSINESS:

Kempsville Behavioral Health Center- Variance Quarterly Update (Quarter 1 and 2)
Dana Gillentine-Dana presented for quarter two.

- Timeout- (Use of Unit Restriction Policy) (Quarter 1)

- 5 incidents (2/17/25-2/18/25 for 3 females' residents due to AWOL Planning and (3/5/25 - 3/6/25) for two 2 female residents due to AWOL The order was reviewed at 24hrs by physician and discontinued.)
- 0 complaints
- Telephone/Visitation-
 - 0 complaints or violations
- Vending Machines-
 - 0 complaints or violations

Harbor Point Behavioral Health Center –Variance Quarterly Update

Brandon Murrer- Brandon presented for quarter two.

- Restrictions on Freedoms of Everyday Life
 - No complaints or grievances.
 - Average level for the building was 3 of 5

New Business

None

CLOSED SESSION:

Motion was made by Michelle Logan and seconded by Christy Kieschnick at 1:26pm that the HPR5 LHRC will go into closed session pursuant to VA code 2.2-3711 (A), for the purpose of discussing confidential information lawfully exempt from public disclosure review to discuss Restrictions of Everyday Freedom and conduct LHRC interviews.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

The committee reconvened in open session at 3:09pm by unanimous vote on a motion by Michelle Logan and seconded by Christy Kieschnick. Each member certified that, to the best of each of their knowledge, only private business matters, lawfully exempted from the statutory open session requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened, were considered in the closed session, namely for the purposes to discuss a Restriction of Everyday Freedom and conduct LHRC interview.

Recommendation: Motion made by Michelle Logan, seconded by Ms. Christy Kieschnick and unanimously approved by the committee members as follows:

- 1.) Camera and Video restrictions were not approved by the LHRC for JO as additional information was required. LHRC recommended that the provider provide evidence that the documented less restrictive alternatives were attempted. to include:
 - A. Provide evidence that the documented less restrictive alternatives have been attempted by a qualified professional
 - B. Copy of JO behavioral Support plan

- C. Information regarding supports that are utilized when JO began to engage in head banding behavior.
- 2.) Camera restriction was approved by the LHRC for GC. LHRC recommended that the provider return with a quarterly update to discuss implementation.
- 3.) The restriction request for mittens, body suit and chest harness were approved for PJ. LHRC recommended that the provider return with a quarterly update to discuss implementation.
- 4.) LHRC voted to recommend appointments to the SHRC for Palmer and Rhodes to be appointed to the Health Planning Region 5 LHRC

MEETING ADJOURNED

Next Meeting Date – Monday October 20, 2025 (Norfolk Community Service Board 7447 Central Business Park Dr., Norfolk Virginia 23513). Hearing no business, Patrician Albritton adjourned the meeting at 3:17p.