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RECIPIENT RIGHTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 10, 2018

1:00 – 3:30 PM

**Lewis Cass Building
3rd Floor Conference Room
Lansing, MI**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:10pm by Shaun Thompson.

Attendance

Present: Shaun Thompson, Chair; Jennifer Gorman; Michael McCue; Basil Scott; Norman G. DeLisle, Jr (via phone); Vendella Collins (via phone); Elizabeth O'Dell (via phone); Darlene Logan (via phone)

Absent: Margaret Stooksberry

MDHHS Representatives: John T. Sanford, Office of Recipient Rights, Director; Raymie Postema, Director, Hospital/Community Investigation Unit, Office of Recipient Rights; Andrew Silver, Director, Education, Training and Compliance Unit, Office of Recipient Rights; Cynthia Shadeck, Community Rights Specialist, Office of Recipient Rights; Janice Terry, Community Rights Specialist, Office of Recipient Rights

Approval of Agenda – Motion to approve the agenda: B. Scott, M. McCue. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve the minutes from March, 2018: M. McCue, B. Scott. Motion carried.

New Business – There was no new business to be heard.

Strategic Planning Committee Report – S. Thompson shared an overview of the meeting and states that the committee could be stronger with the possibility of law makers, NAMI, etc. A recruiting subcommittee was developed to identify who can be the targets for recruitment. J. Sanford spoke of the history of the committee. R. Postema reported on the issues of the hospitals. A. Silver discussed issues with training. M. McCue, J. Gorman, and N. DeLisle, Jr., have all agreed to serve on this subcommittee. M. McCue volunteered to lead this subcommittee.

Director's Report – J. Stanford presented the Director's Report from the Office of Recipient Rights.

- The House report was discussed and presented to the committee as a handout. The focus is to look at Mental Health Issues with focus on Corrections. A recommendation pertaining to Rights. No one was in communication with any issues concerning Recipient Rights offices in the community. John does not know where the information of the document stems from and is bothered by what appears to be a compromise and reduction of a person's rights through this report. John has not been asked by anyone

from the legislature to address said issues unlike in the past. There needs to be better communication between the Office of Recipient Rights and the Legislature.

- **HB 5625 – Mediation** – Why is this a concern and where is the rights? There is a right for a recipient to ask for mediation once an investigation is complete. This bill was introduced by Representative Durajl.
- Recommendations were made to send a letter with concerns pertaining to HB 5625. J. Gorman recommends a letter with a member listing to offer the committee’s availability to consult with or be on their task force. B. Scott agrees and suggests that the committee letter goes to each person on their committee. J. Sanford and S. Thompson will work together to set up said letter.
- **Budget Update:**
 - J. Sanford speaks on budget updates. Two student positions were hired at 20 hours a week for Walter Reuther Psychiatric Hospital and Kalamazoo Psychiatric Hospital;
 - 298 proposal decision will be announced by the Department of Health and Human Services and will establish a pilot.

Staff Reports

- A. Silver reported that based on additional funding for ORR, training has initially secured a contract for online training for physicians as a first project. Andy also shared the progress, changes and updates for the assessment process. An email will be shared as well.
- D. Logan asked if the minutes were available for the August roundtable. J. Sanford responded nothing was available. Darlene also asked who represents consumers rights in Oakland County? J. Sanford responded your local state representative.

Old Business – There was no old business to be discussed.

Public Comment – There were no public comments.

Next Meeting – Thursday, July 12, 2018, Lewis Cass Building, 3rd Floor Conference Room at 1:00pm.

Adjournment – S. Thompson adjourned at 2:58pm.

ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- J. Gorman suggests each meeting updates the committee on what was done to connect with local representatives and share with them about ORR.
- Focus on rebuilding RRAC