

ARLINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Mental Health Committee

March 16, 2015

Approved 4/29/15

Committee Members Present: Anne Hermann (Co-Chair), Judy Deane (Co-chair), Betsy Greer, Wayne Burt, Steven Gallaher, Scott Brannon

Committee Members Absent: Tom Quinn, Sam Howlett, Brian Berke, Sue Lowry, Caroline Bragdon, John Blount, Lee Long, Ann Wroth, Debra Byrd

Staff: Alan Orenstein

Preceding the MH Committee meeting, the Committee participated in a joint meeting with the Children and Youth Committee in the Sequoia Building, beginning at 6:30 pm and ending at 8:00pm. Ms. Stowe presented Child Services utilization data, and Dr. Orenstein presented information describing the young adult (18-24 and 25-29) census and distribution of diagnoses as of 1/1/15. There followed discussion among the Child Committee members of the Children's Regional Crisis Response team and submission for a Georgetown University TA grant related to multisystem training. Regarding young adult housing options, Ms. Clarke presented data regarding YA residents of residential and housing programs and the wait list for these services. Ms. Joseph described the EDGE program. And Dr. Orenstein summarized the RAISE research program in contrast to current YA services. There was also a brief discussion of the gap in services for young adults with autism.

Call to Order: Ms. Hermann called the meeting to order at Sequoia at 8:5 pm.

Approval of Minutes: The Committee approved the 2/25/15 minutes without correction

Mental Health Director's Report: Dr. Orenstein provided a brief reminder of the mandate to have approved interagency agreements. He distributed a summary of the three agreements traditionally reviewed by the MH Committee. He noted that the VDRS agreement will continue to 6/30/17, and the Area Agency for the Aging agreement was renewed effective 7/1/15 with a 6/30/17 renewal date. Otherwise, there were no changes in these agreements. Finally, he described that the Arlington County General District Court agreement was not signed, although Ms. Weisman will continue to seek the Court's signature. Motion: it was moved and approved that the VDRS and Area Agency for the Aging agreements be approved. Motion: it was also moved and approved that the Court agreement should be recommended to the CSB for approval upon signature by the Court.

Regarding the Committee's schedule, Dr. Orenstein noted that the latest estimated opening date for the new shelter is June and a visit was scheduled for the April meeting. He noted, however, that a presentation by the Forensic Program was also scheduled on that date. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Committee would confirm the presentation by the Forensic program for the 4/22/15 meeting. Dr. Orenstein noted that most of the Drewry program would be moving to Sequoia 3 on 4/17/15. However, he indicated that members should assume the next meeting will be at the Drewry Center, unless he notifies the Committee a change in location to the Sequoia 3 building.

Chair's Report: Ms. Herrmann noted that the Drug Court graduation will be held next week and she would distribute the details.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.