

ARLINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
Mental Health Committee

January 28, 2013
APPROVED 2/27/13

Committee Members Present: Anne Hermann (Co-Chair), Judy Deane (Co-chair), Tom Quinn, Richard Smith, Betsy Greer

Committee Members Absent: Kathy Donovan, James Bradshaw Brian Berke, Sam Howlett, John Blount, Cindy Fagnoni, Caroline Bragdon, Scott Brannon, Susan Lowry,

Staff Present: Alan Orenstein, PhD

Public Observers: Alice Straker

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: The Committee approved the 11/28/13 with correction.

Presentation: There was no scheduled presentation.

MH Director's Report: With respect to follow-up actions, Dr. Orenstein e-mailed the BHD family orientation flyer to Committee members. Also, Dr. Orenstein worked with Mr. Marcano in organizing the PACT Advisory group. Several people have agreed to participate and Mr. Marcano is still finalizing family and consumer membership. The first meeting is scheduled for 3/13/13. Ms. Deane recommended a family member by name. Action: Dr. Orenstein will inform Mr. Marcano of the interested PACT family member.

As requested, Dr. Orenstein reported the number of Emergency Service contacts with seniors aged 60 and over (212 in FY12 and 149 to date) and with children and adolescents (95 in FY 12 and 70 to date, as provided by Ms. Weisman. Ms. Greer asked if there was any follow-up to the concerns about shelter coverage expressed by ASPAN last month. Dr. Orenstein reported that since the last Committee meeting, CSE was able to recruit and hired a .5 outreach worker, arranged increased shelter coverage with staff overtime, and is recruiting for the full-time outreach worker supported with federal PATH (Project for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness) funding.

Dr. Orenstein distributed the July-December call screening report. There followed discussion of the 73 referrals of "non-SMI" callers and of the examples of persons no longer admitted (previously provided to Ms. Deane for Executive Committee discussion), because they were not SMI. Ms. Deane asked how many people would have been admitted under the old criteria that are not admitted since July. Dr. Orenstein noted that 41 people were referred after the preliminary assessment, but staff are still trying to determine the number that would have been admitted and are now referred. Ms. Greer questioned the referral (non-admission) in two of the four examples.

Finally, Dr. Orenstein reviewed the upcoming Committee schedule. He noted the next meeting (2/27/13) will have a presentation about Clarendon House program planning. The March meeting, tentatively scheduled for March 27, is a joint meeting with Child and Family and will include review of the interagency agreements. Action: Ms. Deane indicated she would contact the C&F Committee chair to determine a meeting date.

Chairs' Report: Ms. Deane noted that the preliminary FY14 County budget would be made public by the County Manager on 2/23/13. She noted there is a Young Adult Committee

meeting Wednesday at 4 pm at Drewry to review the current status of young adult program planning. Also, there is a quarterly Family Orientation Monday 2/4/13 at 6 pm in the Sequoia auditorium.

Announcements: Ms. Greer described current General Assembly budget activity with respect to proposed amendments. One related to a Medicaid extension increasing the income eligibility to 138% of poverty level which would allow health care coverage for the 300,000 uninsured Virginians. Ms. Greer also noted proposed funding for 19 beds at NVMHI, crisis police drop off centers, and crisis stabilization for youth. Action: Dr. Orenstein will e-mail information on the 2013 budgets amendments, including the names and addresses of local delegates and senators.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm to join the SA Committee in a joint meeting.