disAbility Law Center of Virginia
PAIMI Advisory Council Minutes
10/29/2022 / 1:30 PM

Attendance

Councilmembers Present: Tina, Caroline, Staci, Nicky, Zipporah, Brandon, Weston, Ka’ea, Jennifer, Heidi, David, Steve
Councilmembers Absent: Lisa

Staff Present: Nicole, Terry, Colleen

Public Guests: Joseph

Call to Order

Public Comment

Joseph: ECO crisis, shortage of beds at state hospitals and private hospitals. People are being handcuffed to beds sometimes up to 5 days, sometimes 6. They don’t have the opportunity to take care of personal hygiene and it’s not therapeutic.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from July 30, 2022 were approved.

Edits to Minutes: N/A

Individual Advocacy Updates

Staci: Agreed with Joseph about the issues with ECO

Caroline: Family member in a facility, on a locked unit due to cognitive impairment, continuously gets COVID or the flu

Jennifer: Brought up issue with human rights variances at CSH, because of her and other patients sharing comments at the past SHRC hearing. SHRC paused decision to consider variance.

Brandon: Working with a group that teaches people with ASD skills and focusing on carpentry. DARS can make referrals to the group. Inclusive Pathways to Success is the name of the company.

Weston: Case in last packet with Cumberland Children’s Hospital. The psychotherapist completed suicide before the trial. Brought up how bad conditions were at the hospital.

Agenda Items

PAIMI Overview: Staci asked about one institution that does 80% forensic admissions and how PAIMI covers that. Colleen explained that it doesn’t matter how someone ended up in the institution, that PAIMI still covers it, but dLCV cannot take on criminal complaints.
Joseph asked about people with MH diagnoses in jails and prisons. Colleen explained that those are still considered institutions and covered under PAIMI.

Joseph asked if people aren't getting psych medications in correctional settings, can dLCV help. Colleen responded yes, but that it’s still a resource issue.

Colleen explained the different programs that came about under the DD Act.

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<th>Objectives Updates</th>
<th>Colleen discussed the mortality reviews and that the OCME is already overwhelmed by the current caseload and doesn’t want mortality reviews pushed for those who live in the community even though they believe this would be beneficial. Colleen also discussed the adult abuse and neglect registry.</th>
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<td>Legislative Updates</td>
<td>Nicole updated the council on EK v. D19 that the SHRC hearing is next Thursday, 11/03 at 10:00 AM and that it is open</td>
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<td>Misc</td>
<td>Council approved to extend Tina’s 1st term until next meeting so that Tina can train next Chairperson. Next meeting date: January 21, 2023</td>
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<td>Nominations</td>
<td>Joseph Stafford – nominated for first term Chairperson: Zipporah Vice Chairperson: Heidi Secretary: Brandon</td>
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**Adjourned**

Motion to adjourn made at 3:00 and passed unanimously.