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Human Rights Committee
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Date April 20, 2016		Maricopa Human Rights Committee Draft Minutes			
Committee Members Present: Dr. Jack Potts; Dr. Craig Carter; Mr. Scott Gormley; Ms. Joy Green; Dr. Ryan Welch; Ms. Karen Smith; Ms. Holly Gieszl					
Non-committee Members Present: Will Moore, Professor at ASU; Matthew Kelly, MMIC; Troy Chester, MMIC; Paul Galdys, AHCCCS Assistant Director; Yisel Sanchez, Human Rights Committee Coordinator; Miral Pierce-Byrd, MMIC					
Other Attendees:					
Committee Members Absent: Mr. Charles Sullivan; Ms. Jessica Blaha; Ms. Marilyn Viarengo					
Next Meeting:					
Approved: Dr. Craig Carter, Chairperson					
Item	Discussion	Follow-Up/Action	Person(s) Responsible for Follow Up	Target Completion Date	Complete Yes/No
Approval of Minutes	The Chair, Dr. Craig Carter, requests a roll call from committee members present, followed by the Declaration of a Quorum.				
	Reviewed and approved February minutes. The March minutes were tabled.	Karen and Joy to follow up with Holly and Marilyn regarding March meeting minutes.	Karen Smith and Joy Green	May 18, 2016	
Review of October and November, 2015 Minutes	October and November 2015 minutes review to be placed on Agenda for May.	Include in May agenda	Karen Smith	May 18, 2016	
Public Comments	None				
Legislative Updates	Two bills that have passed and signed into law:				

	<p>HB2442 re: behavioral health and children who are in foster care and perceived to need urgent care or treatment. This bill requires certain timelines to be satisfied regarding referrals and response times. Would like to propose a brief update on the agenda for the next meeting</p> <p>SCR1005 – Rights of Caregivers, family bill of rights</p> <p>Joy Green asked what the status is of AHCCCS Committee’s proposal on this issue.</p> <p>Paul Galdys replied that it’s waiting for the outcome of Senator Barto’s proposal.</p> <p><u>Still Pending:</u> SB1169: Mental Health Power of Attorney</p> <p>SB1326: Behavioral Health-Dependent Children-Reporting</p> <p>SB1442: Mental Health Services – Information Disclosure. The Planning Committee is having issues with this bill and its implications</p>	<p>Provide update on the implementation of HB2442 and SCR1005 in May meeting</p>	<p>Paul Galdys</p>	<p>May 18, 2016</p>	
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	<p>A comment of KidsCare was made – not dead yet but not sure of what the outcome will be.</p>				
<p>Site Visit Updates</p>	<p>Chairperson made a change to the agenda in order to discuss site visits.</p> <p>Dr. Potts and Joy Green went to two homes for unannounced site visits and were well received.</p> <p>Dr. Potts stated a copy of the Letter of Concern regarding the visits has been sent to everyone on the Committee and MMIC.</p> <p>On March 30, 2016 a copy of the letter was sent to all Committee members regarding the response received on the 20th to the Letter of Concern.</p> <p>Who will monitor Corrective Actions? Biltmore Properties have numerous work orders #1 and #2 are over a year old, #4 & #6 an additional month. Have these issues been resolved? Troy Chester brought Matt Kelly, Community Housing Program (CHP) at MMIC to discuss this. The last update he received from Biltmore Properties was on the 11th but this was not a full reporting. Another update was requested from them this morning. AHCCMS is reportedly following up with Biltmore Properties to ensure all property repairs requests were being addressed. Matt stated CHP has a general email box to notify them of</p>	<p>Requested an update either by email or in person for next meeting</p>	<p>Troy Chester</p>	<p>May 18, 2016</p>	

	<p>property issues that come up from the service provider or clinical team. CHP will coordinate and follow-up on these issues. They also do regular checks through the housing provider to make sure they have valid inspections on all of the properties that meet quality standards.</p>				
<p>AHCCCS/DBHS Report</p>	<p>Paul Galdys gave an update on the staffing changes. Margery Ault is no longer with the DBHS or AHCCCS. Cara Christ is now the interim Deputy Director of ADHS/DBHS until the end of June, 2016. Kelly Charbonneau, Bureau Chief of System of Care has also left. Michelle Skurka is covering this area and the position will be posted to fill. Last week, 14 people moved over from DBHS to AHCCCS leaving 3 employees in Finance remain at the Department of Health building.</p>				
<p>IAD Report Update</p>	<p>Scott Gormley stated there was a significant uptick in deaths reported two weeks ago.</p> <p>There hasn't been any detailed mortality review reports received per the Pima County Human Rights settlement agreement.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the protocol on how to receive these reports</p>	<p>Committee requested protocol to obtain reports referencing client deaths.</p>	<p>Yisel Sanchez</p>	<p>May 18, 2016</p>	

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	<p>followed.</p> <p>The Mortality and Morbidity (M&M) Reports do not exist anymore per Yisel Sanchez. They are now QOC's (Quality of Care).</p>				
IAA Report	<p>Chairperson wanted to briefly discuss a report that has red flags regarding a client who has alleged physical abuse. Client was told to vacate residence within 30 days but doesn't have anyone to help facilitate this. Where is this person's case manager? If allegation is true, this falls under domestic violence as defined by the living arrangements. The record indicates that an Adult Protective Services report was filed. The investigation report of this allegation is missing. Was there a follow-up investigation regarding the allegation and what was the outcome?</p>	<p>Committee requested a status update on the client, his living situation and results of the investigation for the next meeting.</p> <p>What are policies and procedures?</p>	Troy Chester	May 18, 2016	
Annual Report	<p>Paul forwarded over to Tom Betlach and Cara Christ but reported not being aware of any response expectation. Dr. Carter requested that the State provide a response in writing.</p>	<p>Follow-up with the Directors for both AHCCCS and ADHS to discuss next steps.</p>	Paul Galdys	May 18, 2016	
Jail Visit Protocol	<p>Paul made contact with an MCSO Commander who was going to review AHCCCS's request for the Committee to conduct jail visits to SMI individuals. Paul then</p>	<p>The Committee Chairperson agreed to follow-up with Commander</p>	Dr. Carter		

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	<p>connected Dr. Carter to contact at Maricopa County. Dr. Carter to follow-up on request for visitation privileges with Maricopa County. Committee is concerned with potential lack of oversight and conditions of confinement (esp. housing and continuity of care) while SMI individuals are incarcerated.</p> <p>Committee needs information to understand and assess conditions of confinement of SMI individuals in MCSO jails. The particular immediate concern is MCSO's placement of SMI detainees/inmates in "solitary confinement," an ambiguous term) that includes disciplinary segregation or other placements that isolate an individual. Committee then can develop a strategy to advocate for improvements as needed, including with the MCAO and MCSO.</p> <p>Dr. Potts recommended the Committee request a monthly report of all COT detainees/inmates showing their housing location in each jail over the past month.</p>	<p>What information can MMIC obtain and provide the Committee regarding SMI individuals in "solitary confinement" defined to include disciplinary segregation or any other cell case management site visits, etc.</p> <p>Dialogue on steps Committee can take to analyze conditions of confinement and do to advocate for incarcerated SMI individuals</p> <p>Arrange for special study session and invite MCSO representative(s) for discussion regarding conditions of</p>	<p>Troy Chester</p> <p>Committee</p> <p>Committee</p>	<p>May 18, 2016</p> <p>May 18, 2016</p> <p>May 18, 2016</p>	
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		confinement of SMI individuals and data tracking.			
IAD Portal Status	Web portal was created and operational. Dr. Carter and Dr. Potts are targeted to receive access to the portal and would benefit from an orientation to the application.	Presentation on portal functioning and grant selected Committee member's access to the portal.	Yisel Sanchez	May 18, 2016	
Brochure	The Committee's approved Maricopa HRC brochure was posted today. AHCCCS has also published a statewide brochure to the website. ADHS content is transitioning to the AHCCCS website as of July 1, 2016 but the two are largely connected already.				
Other Business	<p>Discussion regarding meeting schedule. Suggested that meetings be held during the day. Possibly meet at places like UPC with hope that MMIC can coordinate securing of locations.</p> <p>Extend an invitation to NAMI to have a jointly sponsored community forum in the fall.</p> <p>Want copies of the Committee's annual report distributed.</p> <p>Committee adjourned to Executive Session.</p> <p>Executive Session adjourned.</p>	<p>Select 3 or 4 different places where the Committee can meet with an option for a tour beforehand?</p> <p>Coordinate with NAMI</p> <p>Provide 50 copies of the annual report to be distributed in various public forums.</p>	<p>Yisel Sanchez</p> <p>Karen Smith</p> <p>Yisel Sanchez</p>	<p>May 18, 2016</p> <p>June Mtg.</p> <p>As Needed</p>	

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	<p>Dr. Carter asked committee to vote on recommendation to accept Ms. Jorgensen as a board member. Committee members unanimously accepted recommendation.</p> <p>Dr. Carter welcomed Deb Jorgensen as member, with the voting status to be determined. She accepted.</p>				
MEETING ADJOURNED	Meeting Adjourned at 6:53 pm				
NEXT MEETING	May 18, 2016 5:00PM-7:00 pm 212 E. Osborn Road, Phoenix 85012				