

**Southern Arizona  
Human Rights Committee  
For the Seriously Mentally Ill**

<b>Date</b> <b>July 27, 2016</b>	Pima County Human Rights Committee 400 W. Congress Street, First Floor, Tucson, AZ
<b>Committee Members Present:</b> Ken Karrels, Chairman; Amy Sherwood, Vice Chair; Connie Stevenson; Barbara Carling; Steven Cloutier; Judy Kowalick; Jason Winsky; Joe Mucenski (via telephone)	
<b>Non-committee Members Present:</b> Melissa Brown, Cenpatico; Cara Lewandowski, Cenpatico; Yisel Sanchez, Coordinator, AHCCCS	
<b>Other Attendees:</b>	
<b>Committee Members Absent:</b> Susan Hyder, Vice Chair; Susan Moreno; Dave Ruitenberg; Eleanor Schorr, Advisor;	
<b>Next Meeting:</b> August 24, 2016	
<b>Approved:</b>	

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<b>Call to Order</b>	Meeting was called to order	N/A	N/A
<b>Introductions</b>	Went around the table and phone	N/A	N/A
<b>Review of June 22, 2016 Minutes</b>	Motion to approve minutes by Judy; seconded by Amy; all approve	N/A	N/A
<b>Announcements</b>	NAMI Convention: This was held earlier this year in Denver. Yisel Sanchez gave a brief overview of the convention. Next year's is to be held in Washington, D.C.	N/A	N/A
	48 <sup>th</sup> Annual Southwestern School for Behavioral Health Studies Conference. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• August 21 – 25 at Lowe's Ventana Canyon.</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The theme is year - Creating a Future of Compassionate Connected Care. La Frontera Suicide Prevention is hosting the event.</li> <li>• Able to earn 36 ¾ hours of continuing education.</li> <li>• Several great topics listed such as mental health, addiction, criminal justice, child welfare, cultural diversity and ethics will be presented.</li> </ul>		
<b>New Forms – Yisel Sanchez</b>	<p>No updates but Yisel provided the most recent Pima County Follow-Up Items 2016 form and requested to let her know of any changes that needed to be made.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joe stated there is not an area for resolution of known issues. He would like to receive the same information from Cenpatico that was previously provided by CPSA.</li> <li>• Ken suggested an additional column on the form to include Remarks or Comments so there is a paper trail.</li> <li>• There was the suggestion that Sgt. Winsky with TPD should get a copy of the report regarding boarding homes mentioned in site visits that have</li> </ul>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Joe to provide Yisel with the information received from CPSA. Yisel can then go to Cenpatico and request a replication of this report.</p> <p>Need to add columns to include boarding home problems and resolutions.</p> <p>Need summarization of report of known boarding homes to make it easier for everyone.</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Joe Mucenski and Yisel Sanchez</p> <p>Cenpatico</p>

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	<p>problems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There was a lengthy group discussion regarding Joe's confusion about the Boarding Home Consensus Report. There is a last revised date of 11-15-2012 but effective date of 5-15-2013. This was a required deliverable for Cenpatico to submit to the State but it is no longer required. The Committee will work with the proper resources at Cenpatico to request this information.</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A
<b>Tickler File – Yisel Sanchez</b>	No updates.	N/A	N/A
<b>Community Outreach – Yisel Sanchez</b>	<p>Yisel received a phone call from a man named Tom Reardon who did not know there was a Human Rights Committee in Pima County until just recently. He is in Sierra Vista and works very closely with the Bisbee Homeless Task Force and its mental health subgroup. His call centered on how to get the HRC get involved or get the committee out to Sierra Vista. Yisel provided him with the meeting minutes from this year so he could catch up on what the Committee has been addressing. How can we get the flyers out to the surrounding areas? Yisel created another 100 flyers and gave Mr. Reardon one of those.</p>	<p>Yisel gave Amy his contact information and Amy will reach out to him.</p> <p>Amy Sherwood stated that she has taken responsibility of conducting outreach in the rural counties. She will be in Bisbee and Sierra Vista in the next couple of days and will take some of the flyers with her. She will also reach out to an attorney she knows in Cochise County who works with Civil Commitments. Joe wanted to know what the</p>	<p>Amy Sherwood</p> <p>Amy Sherwood</p> <p>Yisel was instructed there</p>

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	<p>Months ago, the Pima County HRC name was changed to Southern Arizona Human Rights Committee and all meeting minutes will reflect the name change. Southern Arizona HRC needs to be involved with people in the surrounding areas of Pima County as well as Pima County itself. Sierra Vista did have a Human Rights Committee a few years ago but they did not meet as frequently as this Committee did. Yisel is not sure what happened to that HRC but it is no longer around. Mr. Reardon told Yisel there is a large group of people who are very interested in attending the monthly meetings.</p>	<p>rules and regulations are regarding the maximum client numbers are for a HRC. If there are over a certain client number for one HRC, this may violate the rules, which state a new HRC must be created. He feels there should be a new HRC created for the smaller communities that currently Southern Arizona HRC does not know anything about. Ken stated this was re-visited with Senator Barto and it remains the same.</p>	<p>is going to be one HRC for each area, one for southern Arizona and one for northern Arizona.</p> <p>Amy will get with Yisel to clarify the wording of the rules, regulations or law regarding HRC for discussion at the next month's meeting.</p>
<p><b>Site Visits – Connie/Barb; Ken/Steven</b></p>	<p>Connie and Barb did not have any site review reports. Ken and Steven - Central Board &amp; Care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Observed the home was sparse and minimally furnished.</li> <li>• Was uncluttered but looked unclean with dirty walls and several holes in the walls, etc.</li> <li>• No outlet covers.</li> <li>• The backyard was messy with old mattresses and appliances.</li> <li>• The front doors looked like it had been kicked in, not fixed very well</li> </ul>	<p>Ken wants to see a follow-up by Cenpatico within 30 days.</p> <p>There isn't any meal preparation training going on or anything. The front door needs to be fixed properly so it can be closed all the way and locked. Need to address the clutter in the back yard and need faceplates on the electrical outlets. The owner stated he was getting ready to paint the walls and that is</p>	

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	<p>since it would not completely close or lock properly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Owners stated that the residents were referred by their case managers.</li> <li>• Owner states that they provide all three meals although no food except a few snack items was found in the house. The owners live approximately three blocks away where they make the food and bring to the residents.</li> <li>• Clients have food stamps or food boxes that they can use.</li> <li>• Case managers come at least once a month, sometimes more frequently.</li> <li>• Owners did not provide any assistance with medications or provide any activities for the residents.</li> <li>• Residents stated that they did not have their own key for the front door but since the door doesn't lock right now, it isn't an issue.</li> <li>• The linen closet was also sparse with very few items.</li> <li>• There was a phone and above the television was displayed the rules of</li> </ul>	<p>why the electrical outlet faceplates were missing. Need working smoke detectors in the home.</p> <p>Check to see if there was a follow-up to this residence since the last violent resident punched holes in the wall.</p>	

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	<p>the house which included the phone number for the homeowner. However, there wasn't anything listed for emergency services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There were no batteries in the smoke detectors.</li> <li>• The air conditioner was on and worked very well.</li> <li>• Residents said the owners take care of doing their laundry. The owners come by once a week to pick up and drop off laundry. The washer and dryer are broken and sitting out in the back yard.</li> <li>• Residents are responsible for their own transportation. They are located close to public transportation.</li> </ul>		
<b>Children's Issues</b>	Steven is no longer in charge of children's issues so Yisel will remove his name. A replacement person needs to be found, and it should be someone who will regularly attend the meetings.	Need to find a replacement for Steven.	Yisel will reach out to Cathy for assistance in locating a replacement.
<b>Continuity of Care</b>	Yisel did not have anything to report nor did Ken.	N/A	N/A
<b>Legislation and Research Advocacy</b>	Amy will share Senator Barto's updates.	N/A	N/A

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<b>Web Portal</b>	Yisel sent a link to Steven and he was able to get in.	Need to look at reports that are 45 days and older.	N/A
<b>Cenpatico Updates - Cara Lewandowski</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spoke about aging out at 18.</li> <li>• Need to ensure guardianship paperwork and SMI evaluations completed before aging out of the system.</li> <li>• Work on increasing housing opportunities for transitional youth population.</li> <li>• Work on increasing employment opportunities.</li> <li>• Looking at ways to keep youth enrolled and engaged in services when they turn 18. 18 – 21 year olds are tough to keep in the system continuously.</li> <li>• Need to prevent transitional youth from falling out of the system then being re-enrolled at a later age due to incarceration.</li> <li>• Reaching out to the homeless population such as Youth on Their Own to get them engaged.</li> </ul>	<p>Cara is working closely with DCS and their Young Adult Program to develop programs that keeps kids enrolled in services and engaged.</p> <p>Cara has developed two pilot teams in Tucson for 16 – 24 year old members to keep their case managers and don't have to transition to an adult team. She also has one in Yuma. These pilot teams are focused on keeping the members engaged in employment, housing and educational opportunities and support.</p> <p>Cenpatico is concentrating on 18 – 22 year olds. There are 50,000 AHCCCS eligible members in this age range alone in southern Arizona but only 5,100 are actually being served.</p>	Amy has a contact in Cochise County who has done a lot of work with people with mental illness and at the transition age. She will reach out to that person to see if they have any templates or any useful information for Cara.
<b>Report from the Public</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active Shooter training which is provided by the police. Training information is available on the Tucson Police Department Facebook</li> </ul>	Get the ongoing training information out to the public.	Amy Sherwood

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	<p>site and City of Tucson website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CIT training is offered throughout the southern regions of Arizona.</li> <li>• Joe received a request from San Tan Valley Substance Abuse Coalition in Pinal County and Pinal County Superior Court regarding the number of drug related deaths in their area. Joe assumes they are trying to get in touch with the HRC, and was given his contact information. Yisel stated that someone had contacted her and Amy will be responding to that person.</li> <li>• Missing persons link can be found under the FAQ's on the Tucson Police Department website.</li> <li>• Roberto Senor (?) from the Tucson Police Department was recognized as the top CIT chiefs in the country at the last CIT Conference.</li> </ul>	<p>Return call to San Tan Valley Substance Abuse Coalition and Pinal County Superior Court.</p> <p>Need to find ways in which to get the information to outpatient centers and the public. Discuss options/ideas at next meeting.</p>	<p>Joe Mucenski</p> <p>N/A</p>
<b>Adjournment</b>	Ken Karrels adjourns the meeting.		
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	September 28, 2016 10:30AM-12:30PM 400 W. Congress St., Tucson		