

**Mental Health Utilization Management Team- HPR I**  
**Minutes**  
**February 6, 2015**  
**10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.**  
**Region Ten CSB**

Meeting was called to order by Gail Paysour. There were 20 attendees including: Gail Paysour (HPR-I), Jessica Lawrence, (HPR-I), Robert Tucker (VCSB), Kathy Kristiansen (VCSB), Noel Dianas-Hughes (CCCA), Denise Janocka (HRCBS), Christy Cacciapaglia (WSH), Debra Pulaski (RRCS), Lynn Shoen (R10), Molly Yates (R10), Kathryn Doddridge (Richmond Comm. Hospital), Tena Bibb (Sentara), Ellen Dotas (Sentara), Heather Keyes (HBH), Mary Schlimm (R10), Melissa Lerch (NWCSB), Crystal Myers (NWCSB), Jeannie Watkins (R10), Clarissa Griffin (Rockbridge), Jacque Kobuchi (RACSB).

Following welcome and introductions, Gail Paysour presented REACH updates summarized in the attached handouts titled HPR I Data Report and Crisis Call Data. She pointed out that the last graph shown on page seven was inaccurate and a new graph will be given out at the next meeting. Paysour elaborated on the data, noting that more residential REACH calls are made after hours, most likely due to less experience support working during those hours. She also announced that a full-time in-home supervisor has been hired. Representatives from Valley and Horizon agree that the program has been successful, and Molly Yates stated that the key is to get staff and managing the crisis units' popularity. Monies given for children's crisis have increased from \$250,000 to 1 million, and this money will go toward building capacity for all children regardless of disability, rather than creating separate systems which may be less cohesive. Concerning the mobile crisis unit, she informed the group that Barbara Shue has been obtaining carry-over funds to go towards hiring for the next fiscal year, and that there will be a stakeholders' meeting later this month or in March to further strategize for this program.

Items 4 and 5 on the agenda include the LIPOS FY15 Utilization Summary, which was presented by Gail Paysour for Dennis Vaughn. The LIPOS encumbrances by CSB, LIPOS encumbrances by hospital, and the utilization report for December 2014 are included in the handout. It was noted by Paysour that as the January data is of yet incomplete, January's figures are not included in this handout. The data shows that LIPOS funds are being used at higher rate than in the past, and that there are some carryover funds, and more hospitals are now participating and being approved for these funds. Paysour further elaborated that there are work groups at the state level looking at LIPOS records, and that a meeting is soon taking place to discuss making LIPOS fund utilization more uniform throughout the state. Bob Tucker spoke of standardization as a good thing in theory, but disagrees with using HPR5's system as the standardization model. He addressed further concern with the standard changing from 4 approved days to 5, and worries about the fiscal strength of this model. Gail reminded the group that these changes may be related to the recent overhaul of DAP funding, and Bob noted that data on recidivism and success for those individuals receiving these funds should be recorded.

The aggregate data for item six on the agenda is included on the last page of the handout. There were no questions concerning specific civil and/or forensic TDOs, or specific admissions and recommitment hearings by board. Christy from WSH spoke to an increase in forensic admission and would like to see tracking on these admissions to look for patterns. It was suggested that there be more education of law enforcement to identify someone suffering from a mental health crisis in order to decrease forensic admissions.

Noel Dianas-Hughes reported that CCCA experienced a lull in admissions during the Christmas holiday, but is picking up again. She stated to the group that there were 8 admissions the night before alone. Concerning DBHDS updates, Lynn Shoen inquired as to whether or not the department was working with

AdvoServe and it was confirmed that they are in order to explore the possibility of a more secure facility and longer-term treatment for individuals with IDD.

Gail Paysour reminded the group that Dennis Vaughn's fax number has been changed to his Region Ten CSB fax line.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

**Next Meeting will be at Region Ten CSB at Old Lynchburg Road on April 3, 2015**