

Mental Health Response Advisory Committee (MHRAC)

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 20, 2016

Facilitators: Danny Whatley and Rick Miera

Scribe: Karen Pool and Cynthia Martinez

Meeting called to order, quorum was met.

Introduced Cynthia Martinez who is a new Behavioral Health Division Assistant. She will be training to scribe for the MHRAC meetings.

Motion made by Dave Webster to approve the November meeting minutes as corrected.

Second by Jeremy Jaramillo.

Vote unanimous to accept as corrected.

Motion passed, minutes approved.

There was concern expressed that using electronic communications between meetings may circumvent the Open Meetings Act.

Public Comment

Executive Committee member Jeremy Jaramillo advised he has set up a website which may be an alternative to the Electronic Communication. It is a website he owns but invites the committee to use it to see how it works. If accepted it could be moved to another forum.

Extensive discussion on SOP 1-39 (which is now labeled as SOP 2-8) regarding the wording around contacts with the mentally ill.

Danny Whatley made a motion to remove the sentence regarding the mentally ill.

Second by Nils Rosenbaum

One dissenting vote.

Motion passed

Sub-Committee Reports

Motion by Nancy Koenigsberg to accept the sub-committee reports as written.

Second by Dave Webster

Unanimous vote to accept.

Motion Passed.

Mental Health Response Advisory Committee (MHRAC) (cont.)

Presentation and Discussion of Training Plan for Mobile Crisis Teams (MCT)

Dr. Rosenbaum sent out a training proposal for the MCT. Comments and feedback are welcome. Includes on the job training (OJT) with detectives. Applicants must be eCIT Certified first.

Looking for clinicians who are independently licensed. New clinicians will also be trained on the job with detectives and current clinicians. Currently looking to have one County, two City and one State MCT for most effective coverage.

Presentation and Discussion of Network of Care

John Barnum presented an overview of the Network of Care. There is a data base available to support APD. The software was developed and managed by Trilogy in California. There would be no cost to adapt the software to New Mexico and APD requirements. It meets CASA requirements and the link would be on the APD website. This could be done by the end of 2017. Data base can be updated by APD.

Co-Chairs discussion of CASA Status Hearing

Rick Miera invited group to attend a quick Meet and Greet at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center at 10 AM on Wednesday, December 21, 2016. Attendees will be meeting others who are doing similar work. Cultural center is located on the west side of 12th street just north of I-40.

Danny Whately advised the judge is impressed with the work being done by, essentially, volunteers. Danny also addressed the subject of an Executive Director and administrative support for MHRAC.

The McClendon lawsuit is nearing an end after 20 years. Lawyers are now working on the end. This could take 1 to 1 ½ years. Need help with the Mental Health Medical aspect of the lawsuit.

Open Discussion

Paula Burton announced there will be no Training Committee Meeting in December.

Meeting informally adjourned

Next Meeting will be: Tuesday, January 17, 2017, 5:00 p.m., at The Rock at Noon Day.