



Arizona State Hospital Human Rights Committee Meeting

<b>Thursday June 4, 2015 6:00-9:00PM Meeting AzSH Auditorium</b>	Arizona State Hospital 2500 E. Van Buren St. Phoenix, AZ 85008
<b>Members Present:</b> Sharon Ashcroft; Jim Gillcoatt; John Mancini-via telephone; Mary Lou Brncik; Kim Scherek	
<b>Other Attendees:</b> Cindy Hernandez- via telephone; Mike White- via telephone; Roger Wilson- via telephone; James Marshall-Long- via telephone; Donna Mancini- via telephone; John Wallace- via telephone; Armando Salas- via telephone; Jill Manahan- via telephone; Michelle Price- via telephone; Jan Wilson- via telephone; Margery Ault, ADHS; Aaron Bowen, AzSH; Yisel Sanchez, ADHS;	
<b>Members Absent: Paula Hughes-Riccio</b>	
<b>Next Meeting: Thursday, July 2, 2015</b>	
<b>Approved:</b>  _____ <b>Sharon Ashcroft, Chairman</b>	



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Item	Discussion	Follow-Up/Action	Person(s) Responsible for Follow Up	Target Completion Date	Complete Yes/No
Review of Minutes	Review of minutes for June meeting minutes and June subcommittee meeting minutes.	<p>Mr. Mancini makes a motion to accept March minutes with noted corrections. Mr. Gillcoatt seconded the motion, all members voted in favor.</p> <p>Ms. Brncik makes a motion to accept March sub-committee meeting minutes. Mr. Mancini seconded the motion, all members voted in favor.</p>			
Conflict of Interest	None reported				
Public Comment	Cindy Hernandez- Discusses concerns with 9-4 policy. Ms. Hernandez shares her concern with patients taking meds and needed time to rest. She also discusses there being only one group after 2. Ms. Hernandez discusses the need to				



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	<p>expand telephone hours due to time differences where calls are being made to. Also expresses concern with limited staff.</p> <p>Mike White- Discusses the need to have access to outside investigators and limited access to the grievance system. Mr. White suggests working with an outside agency that can thoroughly investigate. Mr. White suggests that there be shade put out in the patios. Mr. White also expresses concern with 9-4 policy.</p> <p>Roger Wilson- comments on lengthy investigation process. Mr. Wilson stated there needs to be responses in a timely manner. Mr. Wilson stated that complaints against staff need to be addressed especially when complaints have been numerous times. Mr. Wilson concerned with</p>				



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	<p>patients not being allowed to watch ABC news broadcastings. Mr. Wilson stated that he also reported a conflict of interest with current psych, and requested a change but it was never fulfilled.</p> <p>Jill Manahan- Reported that she has seen some positive changes in the past week. Ms. Manahan thanks HRC for looking out for patients care and wellbeing. Ms. Manahan stated that the hospital is short staffed; there are high acuity level patients that need constant observation. Ms. Manahan not for current census and wellness checks taking place during the night while patients are sleeping.</p> <p>James Marshall- concerned with policy and inconsistency with staff on the forensic side of the hospital.</p>				



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	<p>Shares concern with policy changes and their implantation. Concerned with inconsistency with staff and policy. Would like to have a consistent treatment team.</p> <p>Jan Wilson- Concerned with staff that is unfamiliar with policy and staff providing different inaccurate information.</p> <p>John Wallace- Expresses concern with patient retaliation once a complaint is filed. Shares that patients have to go along to get along. Reported that there are limited privileges and restrictions for those who do file complaints.</p>				
Response to B07 Incident	Committee discusses B07 incident and agrees to request information in response to ADHS response. Committee discusses specific	Jim Gillcoatt will draft a follow-up letter to the response received from ADHS.			



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	incident and suggest a letter be written.				
9-4 Patient correspondence	Mary Lou Brncik reported that there have been numerous letters received from patients regarding the 9-4 policy. Patients expressing concern with policy regarding showers and resting time. Patient would like clarification to help understand the 9-4 policy. Committee asking to see written policy with signatures.				
Census and wellness check policy	Mary Lou Brncik suggested the committee request a copy of the policy on nightly patient checks. Dr. Bowen shared that all policies are currently under revision but will do their best to provide requested information. A policy committee is in progress to allow feedback from different entities.	Request will be submitted by committee through Yisel Sanchez.			
50% Policy-Mary Lou Brncik	Committee discusses limited understanding of 50% policy, limited knowledge of policy prior to	Mary Lou Brncik to draft letter addressing policy questions.			



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	change and whether or not there was a previous policy in place. Committee discusses sending a letter asking all policy question addresses within.				
Site Visit Protocol Update	Ms. Ashcroft reported that site visits are functioning properly. Name of new contact at AzSH was provided and Ms. Ashcroft has been in contact.				
DBHS Investigation Action item	Committee discusses opening up an investigation through DBHS based upon review of medical records. Committee in agreement.	Ms. Ashcroft will draft letter asking that DBHS investigate patient death.			
Death investigation item	Committee discusses, further investigation is warranted.	Ms. Ashcroft will draft letter requesting additional information regarding patient death last year.			
Complaint Summaries	Committee discusses grievances being treated as complaints. Ms. Ashcroft suggests reviewing all complaints and grievances at the next sub-committee meeting to	Ms. Ashcroft will add this to the subcommittee agenda.			



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	determine if issues are validated.				
Discussion on Patient rights	Committee discusses patients' rights in regards to watching channel 15 news broadcastings. Committee discuss whether or not this is a rights violation. Committee would like to know what the rational is to determine if this is a rights violation.				
Statewide Meeting	Committee discussion as to who will be in attendance.				
Document request involving abuse and assaults	Committee discusses reports received in comparison to the reports retrieved by David with Channel 15. Committee will go back and check what they received. Committee will request 28 reports from David with news channel 15.	Sharon Ashcroft will request information from channel 15 news reporter.			
New Business	Committee discusses retaining video for at least 1 year.				



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	<p>Committee discusses chemical restraints.</p> <p>Committee discusses committee membership. Item will be added to the agenda for next month.</p>				
Future Agenda items	Laurie Goldstein membership Joe O’Cain Membership				
Meeting Adjourned	Jim Gillcoatt makes a motion to adjourn meeting. John Mancini seconds and all vote in favor.				