



Arizona State Hospital Human Rights Committee Meeting

Thursday March 17, 2016 6:00-9:00PM Meeting AzSH Auditorium	Arizona State Hospital 2500 E. Van Buren St. Phoenix, AZ 85008
Members Present: Mary Lou Brncik; Joe O’Cain; Sharon Ashcroft; Kim Scherek; Laurie Goldstein; Jill Manahan; Joe Contreras; Ross Davis; Ashley Oddo; Cynthia Hernandez; Gavin McFarland; John Paul; Rodney Woodville	
Other Attendees: Aaron Bowen; Tiffany Williams; Ryan Hoffmeyer; Paul Galdys; Yisel Sanchez; Doug Reynolds; Larry Diffie; Connie Belden	
Members Absent: Jim Gillcoatt; Michael White	
Next Meeting: April 21, 2016	
Approved: _____ Sharon Ashcroft, Chairman	



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Item	Discussion	Follow-Up/Action	Person(s) Responsible for Follow Up	Target Completion Date	Complete Yes/No
Review of February meeting minutes	Review of minutes for February meeting	Jill Manahan makes a motion to accept minutes with recommended edits. Mary Lou Brncik seconds the motion, all members vote in favor.			
Conflict of Interest	None reported				
Updates	Welcomed Ashley Oddo, attorney, Ross Davis, psychologist (going to be a forensic psychologist), and Joe Contreras prospective members.				
Dr. Bowen Updates Computers/Internet/ Smart Beds –	Ryan Hoffmeyer heading task. Cox installed cabling, some rooms required drops.				
Internet-	IT working on configuring security. CRU will be piloting for 2 months IT has				



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<p>Smart Beds-</p> <p>SKYPE</p>	<p>received auditing software that monitors sites patients can get in to. Agreement in place for patients to sign. If privileges are violated privileges will be re-assess on an individual basis.</p> <p>Hospital met with Goodmark earlier this week. Hospital working with IT to configure beds to the internet. Unable to sync due to incorrect SSID or WiFi frequency. IT currently working on solution. Ryan Hoffmeyer scheduled to meet with IT and Goodmark on Monday. Sago will pilot 4 beds for 2 month. Once Hospital can discern that the beds work they'll roll out on the entire Sago unit, followed by Forensics. Civil side has different patient population, the roll out will entail more planning and forethought.</p> <p>SKYPE is a plan for the future. Hospital focused on implementing internet first.</p>				



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Hair Dye	Dr. Dingle provided an email update that hair dye will be provided once a month in both the Civil and Forensic units on the last Friday of each month.	Committee would like to know when this will begin.			
Patio Shade	This is dependent on the governor's proposed budget, no update on budget as of yet. Shade at the top of the list and will be tended to once funds are available.				
Forensic Library	Committee interested in touring library on Forensic side to see what they have available. Committee interested in helping increase the size and resources for the library. Dr. Bowen suggested setting up tour through Melissa Becerra to include librarian.	Sharon Ashcroft, Mary Lou Brncik and Laurie Goldstein will set up the tour with Hospital.			
Annual Report	Sharon Ashcroft provided a draft copy of annual report to committee members for review. Mary Lou Brncik initiates discussion regarding re-wording report in specific areas reflecting changes with administration at the Hospital.	Motion to approve Annual Report made by Jill Manahan, seconded by Laurie Goldstein.			



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	<p>Committee makes suggestions; Sharon Ashcroft will incorporate changes and send to members for final review.</p> <p>Committee discusses focus areas to include increase in number of HRC hospital site visits. Also increase HRC membership.</p>	All vote in favor.			
Public Comment	<p>Cynthia Hernandez:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Went to special class. Received good comments, would like to know why she not on the PSRB docket until the following month? • Interested in knowing when patients can get plastic knives back. <p>Rodney</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food committee meeting notification. • Corn starch being added to the soup for thickening purpose. Concerned it's not healthy. 				



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient on a unit very aggressive. This is a problem and needs to be addressed. 				
Other Business	<p>Sharon Ashcroft discusses Peer Support and Vocational Training. Dr. Bowen stated that Margaret McLaughlin actively discussing with the Policy staff at AHCCCS and G&A managers.</p> <p>Sharon Ashcroft discusses Peer Support at the Hospital.</p>				
Conferences-Laurie Goldstein	<p>Laurie attended National Council on Behavioral Health and shared that neuro scientists and psychiatrists are using PET scans and MRI's to show what is going on with different diseases. Areas of the brain can actually get better over time. This is encouraging news. The earlier it is treated the better the outcome. There is a lot of material and can be found on the internet under National Behavioral Council.</p>				



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	<p>Laurie also shared that there is a tremendous shortage of psychiatrists. There is a national shortage of doctors but for every 40 physicians there are 13 psychiatrists. She also learned about tele-psychiatry and how that could help with ER issues.</p> <p>Another issue is lack of parity. The law is such that we are to have parity, there are now additional Acts/Bills that have either passed or have are/been brought up to make sure parity is being followed. The Attorney General of each state can force an insurance company to comply with parity.</p> <p>Laurie Goldstein shared information on Seeds Conference May 20th – May 21st, keynote speaker is Paul Janafrito, CEO of Mental Health America. \$59.00 for the conference and that included a lunch.</p>				



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	<p>April 6th running mental health awareness. There will be information in the Living Well section of the Arizona Republic.</p>				
<p>Dorm Closures-Jill Manahan</p>	<p>Pinon unit petitioned Dr. Bowen and Dr. Jill Manahan shares history on policy. Jill Manahan shares that patients discussed the pros and cons. Jill also shares that Sycamore and Sago units have also signed petition. Dr. Bowen confirms that the petition was received and reviewed. Dr. Bowen commented that the Hospital was in agreement that 8 hours was too much and reduced dorm closures to 4 hours.</p> <p>Dr. Bowen also stated that there have been several discussions regarding the petition amongst the executive staff and once concern is the availability of staff to move people around to different activities. Another concern was that there isn't enough staff to take people to different floors and also be on their floor to monitor patients. Discussions will continue.</p>				



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	Committee agrees to discuss at the next meeting.				
Agenda Items	Dorm Closure – revisit Dates for sites visit				
Meeting Adjourn	Laurie Goldstein made motion to adjourn the meeting. Joe seconds the motion, all members voted in favor.				