

AGENDA

METRO-EAST REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 15, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call - Determination of a quorum present.
- B. Introductions by Chairperson
- C. Confidentiality statement presented
- D. Changes in Agenda:
 - 1. Does any member or the coordinator wish to change the agenda?
 - 2. Does any guest wish to speak on an agenda item?

II. MINUTES

- A. Corrections or changes for the minutes of the June 11, 2013 meeting?
- B. Approval

III. COMMUNICATIONS: HRA volunteer member training; Illinois Guardianship Conference (Springfield). Transition planning for Ligas

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Complaints

14-070-9001 - a consumer lives at a large facility for persons with developmental disabilities. He and his guardian want the least restrictive and most appropriate setting which they feel is a group home at the facility. Facility staff have made it a struggle and created rules that the consumer and guardian have to adhere to that are unreasonable with questionable motivation of the staff. For example, the family is told there is a rule that the consumer could only go to the group home by residing in a particular unit. Later that rule was not applicable when the consumer was allowed to schedule a test visit to the group home while living in unit allegedly not approved for that transition. The consumer was involved in an incident prior to leaving for his stay at the group home. The staff allowed him to go to the new group home and he was having success until the following day when someone decided, because of the previous incident, that he had to return to dormitory setting. The consumer and guardian participate in and for the most part agreed with treatment and behavior plans; however, those plans are not being carried out by staff. Rights violations may include not allowed least restrictive setting per treatment plan and not adhering to plans.

14-070-9002 - A consumer was dizzy and called an ambulance. The ER Physician ordered him to change the times when he takes his blood pressure medication and told him he could leave. The home where he lives stated that they did not have a staff member available to pick him up and so he was waiting for a ride when the hospital security staff aroused him and told him that he had to leave.

14-070-9003 - an agency recently moved a consumer from one city to another after she was evicted. Under new CILA rules consumers do not have to attend day training but may opt for in house training. The agency is providing that training at a different agency home that can accommodate several individuals. The consumer is not ambulatory and, in part, because of her size cannot be transferred to a bathroom stool. On more than one occasion when the consumer has had an accident she has had to sit in wet and soiled undergarments for a long period of time until a staff member can be freed to put her in a van and take her home where a Hoyer lift can be utilized to move her to and from a toilet.

B. Other new business: Ratify case closures from June.

13-070-9027 - Alton Mental Health Center -vegetarian diet

13-070-9005 - Alton Mental Health Center - dental services

13-070-9012 - Alton Mental Health Center - blankets (personal property)

13-070-9002 - Alton Mental Health Center - rights posted

13-070-9009 - Alton Mental Health Center - least restrictive setting

13-070-9011 - Alton Mental Health Center - no pens or pencils -

13-070-9013 - Alton Mental Health Center - medical and dental care

13-070-9015 - Park Haven - record review & medication

13-070-9026 - Alton Mental Health Center - pencils

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Case progress reports

13-070-9020 - Alton Mental Health Center - cancel meetings, denied razor

13-070-9025- Touchette Hospital - medication treatment plan, discharge

13-070-9028 - Alton Mental Health Center - radio

13-070-9029 - Alton Mental Health Center - communication

13-070-9030 - Alton Mental Health Center - privileges

13-070-9031 - Alton Mental Health Center - safety

13-070-9032 - Midwest Rehabilitation - medication

13-070-9033 - Alton Mental Health Center -unimpeded communication

13-070-9034 - Choate Mental Health Center - property

B. Reports of Findings:

13-070-9021 - Willow Rose - deny visitation

C. Case Closures:

13-070-9010 - Madison County Housing - eviction.

13-070-9027 - Alton Mental Health Center -vegetarian diet

13-070-9029 - Alton Mental Health Center - 20 patients one telephone

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

A. Set next meeting September 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. - Schedule site visits –

VII. ADJOURNMENT