

Northwestern Area LHRC  
209 W Criser Rd, Front Royal, Virginia  
August 7, 2019 at 10:00am  
Approved Minutes

LIST MEMBERS PRESENT: Audrey Brown – Chair, Niki Pangle, Katie Anderson, and Chris Taylor

LIST MEMBERS ABSENT: Renee Waymire

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Brown called meeting to order at 10:03am. Welcome committee members.

MINUTES

August 1, 2018; November 7, 2018; February 6, 2019; and May 1, 2019 minutes were motioned to be approved by Ms. Brown and seconded by Ms. Pangle. The committee approved the minutes by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ADVOCATE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next phase of facility and community-based look behinds are underway. Deb Lochart, Director of OHR, is the interrater evaluator for the facility look behinds, so she will be visiting these facilities over the next quarter.
- OHR is providing Regional “Train the Trainer” trainings. Training was offered in the Rappahannock-Rapidan area on June 27, 2019 and the Lynchburg area on July 10, 2019. Upcoming trainings are offered in the Northwestern area today, August 7, 2019 and the Charlottesville area on August 22, 2019.
- In late May, DBHDS awarded a contract for statewide alternative transportation services specific to the ECO process. The implementation for this service will be done on a region by region basis in a slow and structured manner to allow the new vendor and relevant stakeholders ample time to develop protocols and adequate infrastructure for the program. This will be a two-year process to be completed by June 30, 2021. The tentative regional sequence for rollout is as follows:

Adults

- First rollout – Region 3 (Summer 2019)
- Second rollout – Region 1 (Fall 2019)
- Third rollout – Region 2 (Winter 2020)
- Fourth rollout – Region 5 (Spring 2020)
- Fifth rollout – Region 4 (Summer 2020)

Children and Youth

Children and Youth will begin after each region has begun operations for adult transportation. (Projected for late 2020)

Prior to each Regional roll-out, regional stakeholder meetings will be set up in each region to establish local Quality Assurance Councils, communicate protocols, troubleshoot anticipated challenges and establish lines of communication between DBHDS, the transportation vendor, CSBs, Magistrates, Law Enforcement, and local hospitals.

- The Office of Licensing has published several trainings to assist licensed providers with the implementation of the requirements as provided in the [emergency text](#) containing

amendments to the *Rules and Regulations for Licensing Providers by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services*. The trainings can be accessed through the hyperlinks contained under the “Guidance and Technical Assistance” tab on the [Office of Licensing website](#).

AGENDA ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS:

- Grafton Integrated Health Network – Grafton has purchased a new home in Pioneer Heights. Individuals currently being served at Whittier Group Home will be transferred to Pioneer Heights. Lauri Hess will be the house manager. The current Whittier Staff will transfer to the new home. There will be no change to the staffing patterns, 2 staff during the day and evening shifts and 1 overnight staff.
- Timber Ridge School – 2 Restriction Plans
- North Spring Behavioral – 5 Restriction Plans
- LHRC Training – 12VAC35-115-50. Dignity and 12VAC35-115-70. Participation in Decision Making and Consent
- Election of Officers – Ms. Pangle motioned to appoint Ms. Brown as chair and seconded by Ms. Taylor. Ms Brown nominated Ms. Pangle as Co-chair and seconded by Ms. Taylor. Ms Pangle nominated Ms. Anderson as secretary and seconded by Ms. Brown. All nomination approved by unanimous vote.

NEXT MEETING – November 6, 2019 at 10:00am at 209 W Criser Rd, Front Royal, Virginia.

MEETING ADJOURNED – Motion made to adjourn by Ms. Anderson and seconded by Ms. Brown.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50am.

These Minutes were transcribed by Artea Ambrose, Human Rights Advocate.