

S.C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING
SCDMH Administration, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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CALL TO ORDER	The August 7, 2015 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair, in the Education Conference Room at Piedmont Center for Mental Health, 20 Powderhorn Road, Simpsonville, SC 29681. Reverend Robert Keely commenced with the invocation.	
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS	Dr. Evans welcomed new Commissioner Bob Hiott. She then welcomed all regular attendees as well as guests to the August Commission meeting. Guests stood up to introduce themselves and tell where they work.	
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	<i>On a motion by Joan Moore, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i>	
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	<i>On a motion by Beverly Cardwell, seconded by Joan Moore, the Commission approved the minutes of the Commission Business Meeting of July 10, 2015.</i> <i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i>	
MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATIONAL REPORTS	Mark Binkley presented those items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports . There was one (1) incident under the Patient Protection and Client Advocacy Report, disciplinary action is still pending. Of the thirteen (13) pending cases on the Patient Protection Report, seven (7) are being retained by SLED as potentially criminal; four (4) cases were referred to the State Long Term Care Ombudsman's Office (SLTCOO) in the Lt. Governor's Office on Aging; and two (2) cases are being investigated by the Attorney General's Office alleging financial exploitation by a family member and a CRCF operator. There are no remarkable trends in the Client Advocacy report. Issues are being regularly and routinely addressed by facility and center staff advocates.	
Key Statistical Data/Inpatient Report – Versie Bellamy DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE	Ms. Bellamy commenced by acknowledging DMH's IT Department, particularly Leigh Ann Chmura, for collecting the data used in the Division of Inpatient Services (DIS) 2015 Utilization Data Report being presented today. This information reflects the Division's overall ability to adapt to change, crisis and normal trends associated with a 24/7 healthcare environment. New Admissions/Readmissions increased slightly from FY14 to FY15; there was no change in discharges between the two fiscal years; a 1.44% increase in number of patients served, which includes adults and children; a 1.98% increase in DIS bed days; and the average daily census has increased by 1.82%. Dr. Evans asked how the agency is doing	

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<p>• Community Performance Indicators – Geoff Mason</p> <p>• Bull Street Update/Issue Action Paper Regarding Bull Street Proceeds</p>	<p>with the overall waiting list for inpatient services. Telepsychiatry has reduced our inpatient waiting lists significantly. Due to the implementation of the ED Telepsychiatry consultation service, participating hospitals are able to discharge a large percentage of behavioral health patients from the ER to the community. Patrick B. Harris Psychiatric Hospital statistics show that over 50% of ED patients about whom they are initially contacted for an available bed are stabilized and discharged home, so ultimately do not require a hospital admission. Mr. Magill added that Dr. Narasimhan, USC School of Medicine, will be providing DMH with RO1 data that will show extremely positive information regarding our ED Telepsychiatry initiative. Under advisement by Mr. Magill, Versie Bellamy and her staff have been asked to refine or redefine the waiting list to better reflect those who truly need admission, and to re-examine the Morris Village waiting list for voluntary admissions.</p> <p>Mr. Mason presented the “scorecard” for the community mental health system. There has been an upward trend in the following categories from FY14 to FY15: New cases/Readmissions up 3.17%; Billable hours up 3.88%; Number of overall services (children and adults) up 4.50%; Number of clients served (children & adults) up 2.50%; Percent of intake meeting access standards is at 84% statewide; Collaborative documentation up by 18%; and Productivity for all centers is approximately 788.18 hours, up from the standard of 720 hours. Beginning November 2015 to November 2016, the new benchmark standard for productivity will be 820 hours. The center directors will have a retreat in September. We will look at where we were in comparison to where we are now to see how we can improve in the future. Sharon Wilson asked if the supervision hours in the P&L will be quantified, to which Mr. Mason replied, yes. Bob Hiott asked if new cases and readmissions (within 30 days) could be broken out. Mr. Mason and his staff will look into this change. Ms. Wilson asked if we are billing for everything that we could possibly bill for to which Mr. Magill stated that this is something we need to look into because we could possibly do more.</p> <p>Mr. Magill suggested that a tour be arranged after the September meeting for the Commission members to take a tour of the developments to the Bull Street Property. The Stadium and adjacent building are progressing well and appear to be on schedule to have their first game the third week in April, 2016. Mark Binkley presented the Issue Action Paper (IAP) regarding the use of proceeds from the sale of the Bull Street Property. The IAP recommends that the agency use the current proceeds as a one-time matching funds for the development of new affordable housing for patients. Under this proposal, the proceeds would primarily be</p>	

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<p>● Six Month Collection Report – Alan Powell</p> <p>● Financial Status Update – Mark Binkley</p> <p>● Resource Acquisition Initiative (RAI) Update – John H. Magill</p> <p>OTHER ADDITIONAL COMMENTS</p>	<p>used to develop new apartments for low and moderate income individuals with a mental illness. Mr. Binkley noted that routine progress reports will be made to the Commission regarding the use of the proceeds.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Dr. Rutledge, seconded by Joan Moore, the Commission approved the Issue Action Paper for the use of the proceeds from the sale of the Bull Street Project.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motion; motion carried forward.</i></p> <p>Alan Powell presented the Six Month Report of Medical Care Accounts that was prepared by the newest member of the legal division, Attorney Logan Royals. Of the \$1,135,355.98 collected on medical accounts during January 1st thru June 30th of this year, \$964,311.81, which is 78% of total collections, was obtained through the debt set-off collection process through the State Department of Revenue.</p> <p>Mark Binkley called everyone’s attention to the financial information in their packets. Our expenditures went up significantly from FY 14 to FY 15 (FY14 was \$352,369,234 and FY15 was \$373,930,214) due to the significant increase in state appropriated funds. There was also a significant increase in Medicaid reimbursement, which was primarily related to an increase in rates and an increase in patient volume, and VA reimbursement. As a result, the amount of non-recurring funding that the agency needed to balance was reduced by over \$5 million from FY 14 to FY 15. As discussed previously, the Department also continues to have a significant number of unfilled positions, which is an area of continuing focus by management.</p> <p>The next RAI training will take place in late August at both the Piedmont Center for Mental Health and The Greenville Mental Health Center. Mr. Magill will also speak at the downtown Greenville Rotary, which is one of the largest rotaries in South Carolina.</p> <p>The SC Institute of Medicine’s presentation will take place at the September Commission meeting in Columbia.</p> <p>The Charleston Lowcountry Conference went very well last week. There was an excellent turnouts and exceptional presentations.</p> <p>The 9th World Congress on Mental Health will be held in Columbia, South Carolina on</p>	

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NOTICE/AGENDA	<p>September 9th and 10th. Conference attendees will be from all over the world. Dr. Mark Weist has been one of the founding members of the Board that directs the World Congress. Governor Nikki Haley, Dr. Harris Pastides, USC President, and Mr. Magill will open the conference on September 9th.</p> <p><i>A Psychiatric Update</i> will take place on September 25th at the SC Archives and History. We have removed cost as a factor for our employees. Video conferencing of the <i>Update</i> will be available for all employees as well as any Commission member at the Mental Health Centers.</p> <p>A notice and agenda of the meeting were sent out to all individuals and news media who requested information in accordance with state law.</p>											
ADJOURNMENT	<p><i>At 11:30 a.m., on a motion by Joan Moore, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission entered into executive session to receive legal advice related to currently pending legal claims, including claims of negligence, medical malpractice and improper adverse employment actions, against the Department of Mental Health. Upon convening in open session at 12:00 p.m., it was noted that only information was received; no votes or actions were taken.</i></p>											
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