ARLINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
Mental Health Committee
6/28/17
Approved 9/27/17

Committee Members Present: Wayne Bert (Co-chair), Judy Deane (Co-chair), Dori Mitchell, John Mitchell, Anne Hermann (by phone), Sam Howlett, Adi Radhakrishnan, Leslie Gosling, Cathy Lewis, Tom Quinn, Betsy Greer, Debra Byrd
Committee Members Absent, Lee Long, Sue Lowry, Tamara Theiler, John Blount, Scott Brannon, Dayna Belfiore, Steve Gallagher
Staff Present: Alan Orenstein

Call to order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Approval of Minutes: The Committee approved the 5/24/17 minutes with corrections.

Mental Health Director's Report:
Dr. Orenstein requested discussion of the calendar for next year (beginning September). While considering the agenda for the September meeting, Ms. Deane then prompted a discussion of how to follow-up on advocacy for the priorities. After some discussion, it was decided that Ms. Warren and Dr. Palmieri be invited to the September 27 meeting to hear Ms. Warren's vision and to discuss the budget proposals. <u>Action:</u> Dr. Orenstein will attempt to arrange attendance via Dr. Palmieri.

In addition, the tentative calendar decided was as follows:
- 10/29/17 Outpatient MH teams with a panel of case managers with a very brief overview of the teams and emphasizing the case manager's role
- 11/29/17 PACT with a client
- 1/3/18 Employment services with a consumer
- 1/24/18 Jail visit
- 2/28/18 TBD
- 3/28/18 Same Day Access
- 4/25/18 TBD

Other options discussed as possible were: joint meeting with the CFS and IDD Committees to discuss Autism Spectrum Disorders (once the plan becomes more clear); peer specialists; young adult services; staff training; and the apartment- finding process.

Dr. Orenstein updated the Committee on planned BHD restructuring. He distributed and reviewed a draft table of organization illustrating the establishment of an Outpatient Services Bureau (from the MH Bureau) and Residential and Specialized Services Bureau (from the SA Bureau). He also noted there would be no impact on the scope of the Committee but some MH programs (namely, Clarendon House and the MH Residential Services) would no longer report to him.

Dr. Orenstein reported that the Executive Committee agreed to a two-hour CSB Committee orientation in September. From among the few available dates, the Committee suggested 9/5 from 6-8 pm. <u>Action:</u> Dr. Orenstein will inform the other CSB committee liaisons and prepare the orientation presentation.

Budget Priority Discussion.
Ms. Deane suggested we review each proposal previously e-mailed to all members for discussion. The distribution also included an updated Program Summary and responses to several questions from the last meeting. She proposed also that each member rank the proposal priority from 1 (highest priority) to 8 (lowest priority). Dr. Orenstein distributed a rating form for this purpose.

The members then proceeded to review and discuss each proposal. The proposals reviewed were:

1. 0.5 Psychiatric Nurse for SAMH (ADSD) to service Mary Marshal
2. 2 MH Therapists for increased Office-based Crisis Stabilization
3. $120,000 funding to ensure 24-hour security presence at Crisis Intervention
4. 1.0 position for the Forensic Program jail diversion team to implement diversion activities at bond hearings
5. 1 MH Therapist for the MH Community Support Teams
6. 1 MH Therapist for the young adult MH services (First-STEP)
7. Funding to increase supported apartment by 6 beds
8. 1 FTE for the Clarendon House to provide weekly Saturday community socialization.

As the proposals were reviewed, there were questions and comments from the members. The completed ranking forms were given to Dr. Orenstein for tabulation. Ms. Deane asked that a copy of the form be sent to Ms. Herman and to Ms. Belfiore for completion. Action: Dr. Orenstein will distribute the forms requested. He will also tabulate the rankings to identify the priority ranking among the 8 proposals.

Chairs' Report: None
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Announcements: None

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.