

HTSAC Treatment Project Committee Minutes February 20, 2007

Committee Members:

*Stephanie Loeb, Williamsburg Place, *Co-Chair*
*Leigh Carroll-Stump, Functional Family Therapy, *Co-Chair*
Jan Brown, Williamsburg Place
David Coe, Colonial Services Board
Robert Coleman, Bacon Street
Michael Dedeian, 34th District Probation & Parole
Sandy Fagan, Bacon Street
Lindsay Fowler, York County Juvenile Svc
Dennis Gilbert, 9th District Court Services Unit
Tom Gooding, 9th District Court Services Unit
*Katie Green, Colonial Community Corrections
Rick Gressard, College of William and Mary
*Carolyn Griffith, York-Poquoson Social Services
Barbara Harling, WAAMI
John Haywood, Newport News Drug Court
Jonathan Jenkins, Bacon Street
Don Killian, Therapist
*Jenny Kittrell, 34th District Probation & Parole

John Kuplinski, Virginia Peninsula Regional Jail
*Cindy Levy, Colonial Services Board
Joan Lucera, Wmsburg Community Health Found
*Laurie Spence, 34th District Probation & Parole
Jerri Shannon, Wmsburg Place & The Farley Ctr
Ann Tramer, York County Juvenile Services
Peter Walentisch, Wmsburg Human Services
Ron Wallace, Crossroads
Charlotte Walman, Colonial Comm Corrections
Lester Wingrove, 34th District Probation & Parole

Ex Officio Members:

Gina Thorne, HTSAC
*Darlene McCoy, HTSAC

**Denotes Attendance at this Meeting*

Welcome & Introductions

Members introduced themselves and their member organizations.

Approval of Minutes – December 19, 2006

Katie moved to approve the minutes as presented, Carolyn seconded. All approved.

Sub-Committee Updates

Criminal Justice

The Criminal Justice subcommittee report was tabled until the April 17 meeting.

Detox

Cindy reported that one additional client was seen at Riverside Behavioral Health for detox services after the presentation of the 2006 year-end report in November. She will give the committee a quarterly report on the program's 2007 expenditures at the April meeting.

Youth Treatment Services

The Adolescent ASAM Criteria presentation planned for January was cancelled due to low registration. The youth services group will meet again on March 6 to discuss marketing ideas for a rescheduled training.

Board of Directors Report

Leigh presented updates from the Board's February 6 meeting that included the appointment of an Executive Board and the decision to revise the coalition mission statement.

Strategic Planning

The group continued the review of the Strategic Plan that included approved updates from the December 2006 meeting. Quarterly trainings topics and addressing transportation needs were added as new items. Committee members will review and vote on the final version of the strategic plan and the 2007 budget via electronic copy.

2007 Budget Review

A plan was presented to include a portion of the undesignated funds line item for transportation needs and committee member scholarships to the Virginia Summer Institute. Cindy moved to approve the line item adjustment, Jenny seconded. All approved.

Beginning with the April meeting, the committee will receive an update of the budget.

Discussion Items

Med Detox 2007-2008

The group discussed ways to sustain the med detox program beyond 2007. In addition to HTSAC funding, the Colonial Services Board receives SARPOS funds (substance abuse residential purchase of service) and private insurance payments. In addition to the need for alternative sources of funding is the need for more involvement with the process from coalition members. Utilizing technology such as email, webcasting, and conference calls were suggested ways to encourage participation. HTSAC has capabilities through their telephone service to host conference calls. An announcement could be made on the HTSAC Digest asking participants to join the conference call, even for a few minutes.

VAADAC Membership

HTSAC has the opportunity to join the Virginia Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (VAADAC). Benefits include networking and training opportunities and information on legislative issues and advocacy work. Leigh moved to approve paying the \$200 membership fee from the Treatment budget, Jenny seconded. All approved.

S.A. Screener at OTMC

Currently, Olde Towne Medical Center (OTMC) houses a graduate assistant, supported by HTSAC funds, to administer the Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral (SBIR) program. It was hoped that OTMC staff would refer at least 50 clients a year to the program. In actuality, ten clients might be seen by the end of the year. The name of the position was changed to health educator more than a year ago to try to remove any stigma or barriers. At a cost of \$5,000 per year, the committee needs to consider if the position is viable. The group suggested inviting the newly appointed OTMC executive director or other staff to a committee meeting to discuss the SBIR program and health educator position.

NASD Support

National Alcohol Screening Day is April 5th. HTSAC will again offer free screenings throughout Williamsburg. The committee was asked to consider a budget proposal for materials and incentives for the event. By consensus, the group decided to take the \$50 registration and move \$100 to food items or gift cards. They also lowered the amount of advertising from \$750 to \$350. After discussing the geographical area covered, the event area was broadened to include

lower York County by moving a screening team to the Yorktown Wal Mart. Carolyn offered to find volunteers to cover the lower York site.

Member Announcements

There being no member announcements, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meetings

Addiction Recovery Project Committee: March 5, 5:30 p.m., HTSAC

Prevention Project Committee: April 11, 2007, 3:00 p.m., HTSAC

Treatment Project Committee: April 17, 10:30 a.m., HTSAC

Youth Treatment Subcommittee: March 6, 10:00 a.m., HTSAC

Upcoming Events:

Spring 2007 Coalition Meeting, May 2, 3:00-5:00 p.m., James City-Williamsburg Community Center