

Minutes

Mental Health Committee Governor's Commission on Senior Services March 22, 2007 Department of Human Services

Attendees: Denise Dion (Chair), Chuck Frazier (Vice-Chair), Peggie Beck, Charles Kurtz, Lucy Morgan

Excused/Absent: John Brenne, Patty Brost, Marilyn Hinds, Marjorie Reuling, Remona Simpson, Joan Staley, Millie Salt

Guests: Robert Lawrence

Staff: Marc Overbeck and Wendy Russell

Called Meeting to Order 3:10

Review Agenda: No additions or corrections.

Approval of January Minutes: Accepted as written. Lucy/Peggie. Passed

Work Plan Development & Reports

Hospital Master Plan II- The new psychiatric hospitals will be located in Salem and Junction City. The Community support subcommittee has issued its final report. The legislature is being asked for \$116 million for first biennium to begin to set up the necessary support systems. The Community Support subcommittee recommends that there be placement of geriatric mental health specialist in every county. This will come at a cost of \$6.1 million to get that established, and for each succeeding biennium for the next 4 biennia.

Review of County Mental Health Plans- Charles and Denise have finished reviewing the County Mental Health plan information specific to SB781 and mental health services for older adults. Denise will work on a template that will make the information easier to understand regarding the county plans and what they are doing for seniors. Charles will write a variety of letters to the counties thanking them for implementing SB781 and offering technical assistance for those who have not yet implemented or are having difficulties.

SB 847- Denise is Meeting with Senator Monnes-Anderson at 4:15 to discuss the importance of SB847 and mental health services for older adults.

Agenda for next Meeting

The group would like to invite Dr. Goldberg and Bob Nikkel to the next meeting. Denise will work on template for review of state plans. Letters to county mental health will be drafted from Charles.

Adjourn: 4:05

