

HEALTH & MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

November 20, 2012

Present:

Lawrence Andrews, Chairman
Sara Sterling
Edward Cross
Kevin McDonald
Elizabeth Young
Robin Andrews

Absent:

Raymond Staats

Also Present:

Becky Vinchiarello, Dep. Clerk
Nancy Winch
Michael Cole
Arthur Proper
Ronald Caponera
Nancy Shadic
Joe Ambrose
Terry Robinson

Press: 1

Chairman L. Andrews called the meeting to order at 4:03 P.M.

Health Department- N. Winch

Resolution Request: Renewal of Annual Contracts for 2013. It was confirmed that the contracts will not be signed until after the first of the year. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by K. McDonald, motion carried. **Refer to Finance.**

Resolution Request: CHHA 2013 Clinic Insurance Contracts. Motion to approve by R. Andrews, seconded by E. Young, motion carried. **Refer to Finance.**

Information: CHHA/MCH Financial Reports – Total cost was reported for the Month of October
Adult – \$41,089 Maternal = \$34,413

Conference Request –Promoting Health, 12/10/12 in Latham, NY. Total Cost is \$150.00 with two people attending. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by L. Andrews, motion carried.

N. Winch went over the Public Health Director's Report to the Board of Health and explained the difference between Lyme, Anaplasma and Babesia diseases. The County has lost all of their State Funding for Lyme disease.

An Overtime Report was provided. Environmental Health hours will be down as they are not on call during the winter months. Home Health Care is high as they are mandated to have a Home Health Nurse on call 24/7.

The CHHA numbers were discussed.

Pine Haven – A. Proper

Census Statistics-Percentage of occupancy was at 95% for the month of October. YTD: 95%. There were 10 admissions to Pine Haven during the month of October 2012 and 14 discharges from the facility. There were 161 Medicaid pending days for the month of October 2012, YTD: 439.

Overtime Costs: Overtime hours and costs were up for Payrolls 22 and 23 compared to the previous payrolls and last year's payroll for this period. CNA and LPN hours caused the majority of the increase. Additional overtime can be attributed to the two holidays in one pay period and several staff utilizing vacation and sick time. The CNA class that Pine Haven offers was discussed. No enrollees stayed in the class long enough to complete it.

Resolution Request - Authorization to fill the approved vacant budgeted positions:

- (1)Head Nurse I, FT GR18A at a starting salary of \$57,285.00
- (1)Food Service Helper, FT GR 10B at a starting salary of \$28,010.00
- (2)Food Service Helper, PT GR10B at an hourly rate of \$13.4148
- (1)LPN, FT GR15 at a starting salary of \$47,082.00
- (2)Nurse Aide II, FT GR10C at a starting salary of \$28,679.00

Motion to approve by R. Andrews, seconded by S. Sterling, motion carried. **Refer to Budget and Salary Review Committee, if approved, Refer to Finance.**

New Pine Haven Update – The Commissioner of Public Works is working on the Request for Proposals for architectural design and programming services for the construction of the new nursing home. Final designs must be completed and approved before construction can begin. A sub-committee will be formed. Any one on the home committee is welcome to attend. A. Proper will send out the letter with the contingencies listed that he received.

Future Use of the Existing Pine Haven Building Update

A meeting was held with FR. Peter young on October 31st to update him on the status of the CON. It was mostly a brainstorming session regarding possible services that could be made available for veterans. They are looking to see if there are any current studies available that would define the needs of veterans for our area. They also spoke about the many ways in which services could be collaborated with the nursing home.

Christmas Party

The annual Christmas Party will be held on December 12th. Lunch and entertainment will be provided beginning at noon. All Supervisors are invited and may assist Santa and his elves in handing out presents.

Rate Changes

In order to remain cost effective, the administrator requests authorization to implement the following private pay rate schedule as of January 1, 2013:

Private Pay Room Rate - \$315.00 per day plus applicable NYS Receipt Assessment Fee

Transportation - Effective January 1, 2013 transportation for all medical trips will be charged a base fee of \$35.00 plus \$3.00 per round trip mile. The following are examples of destination costs:

Chatham \$107.00

Hudson-CMH – \$87.80

Hudson Fish and Game Rd- \$71.60

Valatie-Medical Arts- \$139.40

Albany –St. Peters- \$279.80

Albany- Albany Medical – \$278.00

Albany- Albany Memorial – \$267.20

If transportation is requested for personal business, cost will be determined on an individual basis.

Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy: Therapy Charges, up to each respective therapy limit, are billed to Medicare Part B (if applicable) with 20% being passed down to the guarantor. Therapy charges over and above the therapy limits will be billed to the Guarantor at 100% of the following fee schedule:

\$100 per evaluation

\$50 per unit of treatment 1unit = up to 22 minutes of treatment

2 units= 23-37 minutes o treatment

3 units= 38-52 minutes of treatment

4 units= 53 minutes and above

The supply of Oxygen and/or Oxygen equipment (Concentrator, Bi-Pap and C-Pap Machines, etc.) will be charged at \$15 per day.

The New York State 6.8% Receipt Assessment is applicable to all Ancillary Fees.

Receipt Assessment may be changed according to State Regulation.

Motion to accept these rate changes by E. Young, seconded by E. Cross, motion carried. A resolution is not needed.

The Committee requested that Don Evens attend the December 12th Board meeting to speak to the Board of Supervisors. If he is not available that day they request he attends the January 9th meeting at 5:30PM.

Request to move into EXECUTIVE SESSION at 4:42PM by E. Young, seconded by K. McDonald.

REASON: Personal

Motion to return to REGULAR SESSION at 5:03PM by R. Andrews, seconded by S. Sterling, motion carried.

Mental Health – M. Cole

Overtime Report – 16.75 hours were reported.

Resolution Request - Authorization to abolish a1.0 Sr. PSWA II (21B) and a 1.0 Sr. PSWA (19B) and create and fill 2.0 BHCC (15). This is due to staff retiring. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by S. Sterling, motion carried. The Department was not aware of the retirements at the time their 2013 budget was submitted so it will now have to be amended. Refer to Budget and Salary Review

Committee, if approved, Refer to Finance.

Resolution Request- Authorization to award 2013 Contracts. These are the same contracts that were signed last year. Motion to approve by R. Andrews, seconded by L. Andrews, motion carried. Refer to Finance.

Resolution Request - Authorization to amend the 2012 and 2013 budgets by adding budget dollars to MHA contractual expense, miscellaneous expense, and to move budget dollars from .1 to .4. at a total

amount of \$285,000.00. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by E. Cross, motion carried. Refer to Budget and Salary Review Committee, if approved, Refer to Finance.

Resolution Request -Authorization to auction off a van. It was questioned if any other departments might need it. Motion to approve by L. Andrews, seconded by E. Young, contingent on a letter being sent out to all County Departments for the right of first refusal to purchase the van. Refer to Finance. There was discussion on a list being created where all vehicles no longer needed could be outsourced.

Resolution Request- Authorization to contract with LocumTenens.com

They provide specialization on nationwide recruitment efforts. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by S. Sterling, motion carried. Refer to Finance.

Resolution Request Authorization to appoint a new Community Services Board Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee Member. Motion to approve by L. Andrews, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Resolution Request -Authorization to issue an RFP for \$112,057.00 of NYS OMH 2013 “Assisted Competitive Employment” Funding and authorize funding to subsequent successful bidder. The RFP would be issued sometime in December. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by R. Andrews, motion carried. Refer to Finance.

Conference Objective Forms - 12/7/12 –Compliance Program Development Series at the Albany Marriott, Albany, NY. Total cost \$159.0 with one person attending. Motion to approve by K. McDonald, seconded by E. Cross, motion carried.

Conference Objective Form -12/13/12 – Richard Valliere for the Nature and Treatment of Obsessive Compulsive Disorders, Holyoke, MA. Total cost of \$152.00 and employee requests reimbursement for miles as employees home is closer then Hudson. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by S. Sterling, motion carried.

FYI- Pending Issues Impacting the Committee

Valatie Medical Arts MH Clinic Satellite Update – They are hoping for a January 1 state day.
Child Advocacy Center MH Clinic Satellite Proposal.

At 5:25PM the departments 2013 budget requests were reviewed.

With no further business there was a motion to adjourn at 5:50PM by E. Young, seconded by K. McDonald, motion carried.

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