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Treatment, Discharge Planning, and Conditions of Release
Sub-Committee Meeting
September 9, 2020 1:00pm-3:00pm
Microsoft Teams Meeting

In Attendance: Leah Landon, Staff; Michael O'Connell, Chair; Terrina Peterson, WASPC; Jamie Weimer, WASPC; Jedd Pelander, DCYC-JR; Devon Gibbs, OPD; John Hayes, SCC; Jennifer Ritchie, King County Prosecutor's Office; Rachael Seevers, Disability Rights Washington, Shoshana Kehoe-Ehlers; OPD; Brandon Duncan, DOC; Melanie Church, DSHS; Dominic Winter, DSHS; Dan Davis, Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Josh Choate, AGO; Corey McNally, DOC; Zainab Ghazal, SCC; Sonja Hardenbrook, Snohomish County PDA

Meeting Notes

Welcome & Call to Order

Leah Landon (staff) called the meeting to order and discussed tips for participating in the virtual meeting. Meeting participants were asked to mute their microphones when not actively participating. The meeting was recorded and can be provided upon request. Leah introduced Michael O'Connell as the sub-committee Chair. Michael introduced himself and then Leah invited other sub-committee members to introduce themselves.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The sub-committee was asked to approve the meeting minutes from August 18, 2020.

MOTION 20-1-6: MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES FROM AUGUST 18, 2020 AS WRITTEN.

Moved: Jedd Pelander
Seconded: Corey McNally
Passed: Unanimously
Abstained: None

Ground Rules

Leah reviewed Ground Rules with meeting participants. These ground rules were created to help guide participants' interactions with each other during the meetings.

Meeting Objectives

Objective 1: Comments and Questions

Prior to the meeting, Leah sent each work group any comments or questions they received through the survey sent after the August 18 meeting. Leah put the recommendations on the screen and asked each workgroup that received a comment or question to report out on them.

- Recommendation 1:
 - Jennifer Williams' comment addressed in full, the group will be combining items 1 & 2.
 - Items 1 and 2 have full support to move forward for inclusion for final recommendations to the full SOPB.
- Recommendation 2:
 - Combined with item 1.
- Recommendation 3:
 - Sonja Hardenbrook's question has been addressed. Rachael Seevers added that she had more information on the SNAP benefit process.
 - The item has full support to move forward to the full SOPB.
- Recommendation 4:
 - Michael O'Connell's comment on timing of clinical pass off has been addressed.
 - The item has full support to move forward to the full SOPB.
- Recommendation 5:
 - This item will undergo further discussion before approval. An email was sent after the meeting to the full group to allow for discussion around appropriate contacts and the subjective determination of those people.
- Recommendation 7:
 - Corey McNally would like ID to be in possession of client upon release.
 - Jennifer Williams recommended combining with another item.
 - During the survey, one person voted no on this item. During the meeting no one expressed concern about the item.
 - The item has full support to move forward to the full SOPB.
- Recommendation 8:
 - Corey McNally asked if training would be provided to SCC clinicians.
 - Some basic training would be provided.
 - Dan Yanisch does not think the client should be able to self-refer.
 - Devon Gibbs clarified that there are certain courses they would be able to self-refer to such as cooking classes, etc. The work group does not agree that the client should not be able to self-refer, as this complies with the Risk-Needs-Responsivity model.
 - The item has full support to move forward to the full SOPB.
- Recommendation 9:
 - Rachael Seevers suggested payment to those who participate.

- The work group supports this.
 - Corey McNally asked who completes the needs assessment.
 - Work group said this would be completed by the team that does the discharge planning at the time of admit.
 - Jennifer Williams recommended this be combined with another item.
 - This has been combined with item 10 already.
 - Items 9 and 10 have been combined and have full support to move forward.
- Recommendation 11:
 - Corey McNally asked if this was an exhaustive list
 - The work group added verbiage to reflect that this is not an exhaustive list.
 - Jennifer Williams recommended combining this with another item.
 - The work group feels it does not make sense to combine with another item as this list is for items required for intake.
 - The item has full support to move forward to the SOPB.
- Recommendation 12:
 - This is an issue but unable to be addressed at this time and will be removed.
- Recommendation 13:
 - Sonja Hardenbrook said she is confused as to why the ID is contraband.
 - This item will be discussed further after the meeting.
- Recommendation 14:
 - This item has full support to move forward to the SOPB.
- Recommendation 15:
 - Concern was expressed about this item and the selection of statewide providers.
 - This concern was addressed, and the item will move forward to the SOPB.
- Recommendation 16:
 - This was addressed with Item 4 and can be removed.
- Recommendation 17:
 - Item is waiting on approval from the SCC.
- Recommendation 18:
 - The survey included several questions around the step-down process and how this should be outlined/implemented.
 - There was additional discussion on this item and the related RCTT teams. There are many different ways to approach this, and the item will be discussed further after the meeting to address concerns.
- Recommendation 19:
 - Jennifer Williams suggested this be combined with Items 15 and 1.
 - The work group determined it should not be combined as item 19 is about the SCC and the RFP process.
- Recommendation 20:
 - Michael O'Connell mentioned that SOTPs should be treated as allies instead of adversaries.
 - The work group added additional language around collaboration and this comment has been addressed.
 - This item has full support and will move forward to the SOPB.

Next Steps

- Leah will send an email requesting additional feedback and inviting the group to edit and finish recommendations 5, 8, 13, and 18.
- Leah will prepare a document with all final recommendations for sub-committee review.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20pm

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD

_____/s/_____
Sub-Committee Chair
Michael O’Connell

_____/September 22, 2020_____
Date

