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South Carolina House of Representatives

Legislative Oversight Committee

HEALTHCARE AND REGULATORY SUBCOMMITTEE
Chairman John Taliaferro (Jay) West, IV
The Honorable Robert L. Ridgeway, III
The Honorable Bill Taylor
The Honorable Christopher Sloan (Chris) Wooten

Tuesday, March 5, 2019
9:00 a.m.
Room 321 - Blatt Building

Pursuant to Committee Rule 6.8, S.C. ETV shall be allowed access for internet streaming whenever technologically feasible.

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes

II. Discussion of study of the Department of Mental Health

III. Adjournment
Archived Video Available

I. Pursuant to House Legislative Oversight Committee Rule 6.8, South Carolina ETV was allowed access for streaming the meeting. You may access an archived video of this meeting by visiting the South Carolina General Assembly’s website (http://www.scstatehouse.gov) and clicking on Committee Postings and Reports, then under House Standing Committees click on Legislative Oversight. Then, click on Video Archives for a listing of archived videos for the Committee.

Attendance

I. The Healthcare and Regulatory Subcommittee is called to order by Chair Jay West on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 in Room 110 of the Blatt Building. All members of the Subcommittee are present for all or a portion of the meeting.

Minutes

I. House Rule 4.5 requires standing committees to prepare and make available to the public the minutes of committee meetings, but the minutes do not have to be verbatim accounts of meetings. It is the practice of the Legislative Oversight Committee to provide minutes for its subcommittee meetings.
II. Representative Taylor moves to approve the meeting minutes from the February 5, 2019, meeting. The motion passes.

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Meeting

I. Chair West explains that this is the Subcommittee’s second meeting with the Department of Mental Health, and that the purpose is to receive testimony about inpatient services.

II. Chair West explains that all testimony given to this subcommittee, which is an investigating committee, must be under oath. He reminds those sworn in during prior meetings that they remain under oath. Chair West swears in the following people from DMH:

- Holly Scaturo, MSN, RV; Hall Psychiatric Institute Acting Director
- Robert Breen, MD; Adult Services and Child and Adolescent Services, Inpatient Services Medical Director
- Patricia Handley, DNP, MSN, RN; Inpatient Services Chief Nursing Officer
- Stuart Shields, MSW, MHA; G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital Director
- Allen McEniry, MBA; Patrick B Harris Psychiatric Hospital Director
- Trey Causey, MD; Morris Village Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment Center Medical Director
- George McConnell, MDiv, CSAC; Morris Village Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment Center Director

III. Interim Director Binkley provides testimony about historical trends in inpatient services, including the types of conditions treated over time, and the numbers of admissions and patients. With the assistance of facility staff, Deputy Director Bellamy provides testimony about each of the facilities, highlighting unique aspects of each facility.

IV. Subcommittee members ask, and agency staff respond to questions about the following subjects:
   a. Medically-enhanced beds;
   b. 2015 LAC audit findings;
   c. Restoration of competency to stand trial;
   d. Staff salaries;
   e. Joint Commission; and
   f. Rate of admissions.

V. There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned.
STUDY TIMELINE

Legislative Oversight Committee Actions

- May 3, 2018 - Prioritizes the agency for study
- May 9, 2018 - Provides the agency with notice about the oversight process
- July 17 – August 20, 2018 - Solicits input from the public about the agency in the form of an online survey
- January 14, 2019 - Holds Meeting 1 to obtain public input about the agency

Healthcare and Regulatory Subcommittee Actions

- February 5, 2019 - Holds Meeting 2 with the agency to receive an overview of the agency's history, mission, organization, products, and services
- February 19, 2019 – Holds Meeting 3 with the agency to receive testimony about the Inpatient Services Division
- March 5, 2019 – Holds Meeting 4 with the agency to receive further testimony about the Inpatient Services Division

Department of Mental Health Actions

- March 11, 2015 - Submits its Annual Restructuring and Seven-Year Plan Report
- January 8, 2016 - Submits its 2016 Annual Restructuring Report
- September 2016 - Submits its FY 2015-16 Accountability Report/Annual Restructuring Report
- September 2017 - Submits its FY 2016-17 Accountability Report/Annual Restructuring Report
- November 19, 2018 - Submits its Program Evaluation Report
- February- TBD 2019 - Meets with and responds to Subcommittee inquiries

Public’s Actions

- July 17 – August 20, 2018 - Provides input about the agency via an online public survey
- January 14, 2019 – Provides testimony at public input meeting
Department of Mental Health

Agency History
In 1821, the General Assembly approves building of the S.C. Lunatic Asylum, becoming one of the first states in the country to provide funding specifically for the care and treatment of people with mental illnesses; the first patient is admitted in 1828.

Agency Mission
Support the recovery of people with mental illnesses.

Successes
As identified by the agency
• Increasing access to community mental health services by 17.28% and serving more patients
• Using innovative technology to advance and increase its services
• Employing an excellent and well-trained staff, particularly law enforcement and nursing personnel

Challenges
As identified by the agency
• Increasing access to veterans nursing home beds
• Reducing the time for forensics admissions
• Increasing hospital capacity without increasing hospital beds
• Addressing crisis stabilization
• Addressing workforce recruitment and retention

Emerging Issues
Changes regarding third party payors and proposed models of reimbursement, population growth, and housing costs

Fiscal Year 2018-19 Resources
$4,620,911 authorized FTEs (4,037 filled)
$566,583,519 appropriated and authorized to spend

Community Mental Health Services
Inpatient Services
Medical Affairs

Three Major Service Divisions
The Division of Inpatient Services

Presentation
Versie J. Bellamy, DNP, MN, RN
Deputy Director

“Abstract A,” by patient in SCDMH Art of Recovery Program
1. Behavioral Treatment Program
   Sexually Violent Predators Treatment Program, Columbia, SC

2. Psychiatric Hospitals
   G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital, Columbia, SC
     Adult Services
     Williams S. Hall Psychiatric Institute, Child & Adolescent Services
     Forensic Services
     Patrick B. Harris Psychiatric Hospital, Anderson, SC

3. Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment Program/Hospital
   Morris Village Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment Center, Columbia, SC

4. General Nursing Home
   C.M. Tucker Nursing Care Center – Roddey Pavilion Nursing Home, Columbia, SC

5. Veterans Nursing Homes
   Tucker Nursing Care Center – Stone Veterans Pavilion, Columbia, SC
   Richard M. Campbell Veterans Nursing Home, Anderson, SC
   Veteran’s Victory House, Walterboro, SC

6. Central Medical Clinic, DIS Northeast - Midlands Center Campus, Columbia, SC
G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital (BPH)

Adult, Child & Adolescent and Forensic Psychiatric Services

Stuart J. Shields, MSW, MHA, Director
• BPH was opened in February 1978 (accepting patients full time, first of the planned regional hospital, from the Village Concept.

• Treatment Team (Multifactor model of assessment/treatment evaluation)

• Licensed Clinical Staff, Activity Therapists, Nursing, Certified Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, and Recovery Educators.
Acute Services Bed Capacity = 66

Extended Care Services Bed Capacity = 127
Medically Enhanced Beds (7)
G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital
William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute
Child & Adolescent Services

Holly Scatro, MSN, RN
Acting Director, William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute
at Bryan Psychiatric Hospital
Lodge C – Acute Programs

Adolescent Acute – Ages 13 – 17, 26 Beds

Child Acute – Ages 4 – 12, 9 Beds

Average LOS: 21 – 30 Days

Types of Admissions – Involuntary, Voluntary
Lodge D – Dual Diagnosis

Ages 13-17, 16 Beds

Average LOS: 77-90 days

Types of admissions-Involuntary, Voluntary, Judicial
G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital

Forensic Treatment Services

Contract Services Provided by Wellpath (Formally Correct Care Recovery Solutions)

Stuart J. Shields, MSW, MHA, BPH Director
Admission to the Inpatient Hospital Service is based on the person’s legal status.

Patients are admitted on court order set up by the authority Of statutes of the State of South Carolina.
The Bryan Hospital Forensic Services provides two forensic mental health programs:

Pretrial

Psychosocial Rehabilitation Program (PRP)
Evaluates adults and children referred by both General Sessions and Juvenile Courts.

Evaluations are for competency to stand trial and criminal responsibility.

In 2018, there were 1,152 court-ordered forensic evaluations (Adults-1,027 evaluations and Child-125 evaluations) completed.
The NGRI Outreach Clinic

monitors NGRI clients in the community to ensure compliance with the Circuit Court’s conditions for discharge.
Patrick B. Harris Psychiatric Hospital
Adult Services

Allen M. McEniry, M.B.A.
Director
Harris Hospital operates 131 beds in a facility that has a licensed capacity of 200 beds.

The adult psychiatric services provided are accredited by The Joint Commission and certified by CMS (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services).

Patients meeting the legal and clinical standards for involuntary admission are screened by community mental health centers or local emergency departments before referral and admission to Harris Hospital.
Morris Village
Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment Center

George McConnell, M.Div., CSAC
Director
History

• The Village opened in 1975 to serve patients throughout the 46 counties of the state of South Carolina.

• The Morris Village treatment program was an outgrowth of a pilot 56-bed addiction treatment program housed at Crafts-Farrow State Hospital from 1971 until completion of the current facility in 1975.

• The Village was designed as a typical small residential community. Fourteen cottages (patient living areas) were located on the periphery of the campus, while administrative offices, an infirmary and a library were located in the interior surrounded by a central court yard.
SVPTP Services

Contract Services Provided by Wellpath (Formally, Correct Care Recovery Solutions)

New SVPTP Building
Broad River Correctional Institution Campus
A Sexually Violent Predator is …

A person who has been convicted of a sexually violent offense
A person who suffers from a mental abnormality or personality disorder
A person who is likely to engage in the predatory acts of sexual violence if not confined in a secure facility.
The first person was admitted in February 1999.

As of February 2019:

- Admissions: 345
- Discharges (Releases): 123
- Deaths: 15
- Current Census 205
- Projected growth: 12 residents a year
Q & A
The Division of Inpatient Services

Presentation
Versie J. Bellamy, DNP, MN, RN
Deputy Director

“Abstract A,” by patient in SCDMH Art of Recovery Program
**Tucker Nursing Home Center is located in Columbia, SC**
- Tucker – Roddey Pavilion (General Nursing Home)
- Tucker – Stone Pavilion (Veterans Nursing Home)

- The Roddey and Stone Nursing Homes are operated by the South Carolina Department of Mental Health, Division of Inpatient Services.

- **Onsite Resident Services:**
  - Pharmacy Services
  - Therapy Services
  - (Therapy services are also provided to residents/patients across the DIS)
    - Physical Therapy
    - Occupational Therapy,
    - Speech Therapy
    - Respiratory Therapy,
    - Restorative Therapy
  - Physician Services
    - Medical
    - Podiatry
    - Psychiatry
    - Dental
    - Neurology
  - Psychology Services
  - Nursing Services
    - C.N.A.s, RNs, LPNs
  - Social Work Services
  - Activity Therapy Services
  - Dietician
  - Beauty and Barber
  - Chaplains

- **Volunteer Services**
Tucker Nurse Care Center
Roddey Pavilion

Ted Jones, Nursing Home Administrator, Roddey Pavilion
• The Roddey Nursing Home opened in 1983

• Some residents have unique diagnoses such as Huntington’s Disease.

• The Roddey Nursing Home admits
  • residents throughout the state and other community residential homes and hospitals as well as
  • residents from within the SC Department of Mental Health.

• The Roddey Nursing Home is
  • accredited by The Joint Commission,
  • licensed by the SC Department of Health & Environmental Control, and
  • certified by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.
Tucker Nurse Care Center
Stone Pavilion
Veterans Nursing Home

Robert Morgan, Director of Veterans Services and Nursing Home Administrator for Stone Pavilion
Tucker Nursing Home Center- Stone Pavilion

- The Stone Pavilion Opened in 1971,
- Veterans Nursing Home.

Stone Admission Requirements
- Serving Combat Duty – An Honorable Discharge
- Resident of SC for 1 year

- The Stone Pavilion is
  - accredited by The Joint Commission,
  - licensed by the SC Department of Health & Environmental Control,
  - certified by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, and
  - regulated by the US Department of Veterans Affairs.

Annual Events for Residents
- Memorial Day
- Fourth of July
- Veterans Day
Campbell Nursing Home
Veterans Nursing Home
Richard M. Campbell Veterans Nursing Home

- Opened in 1990.
- Located in Anderson, SC
- Public/Private Partnership
  (A division of HMR Veterans Governmental Services, Inc. –
  a division of HMR Services, Inc.)
- On-site SCDMH Contract Monitor
Veterans Victory House Nursing Home

• Opened in 2006.
• Located in Walterboro, SC
• Public/Private Partnership
  (Advantage Veterans Services, a Division of HMR Services, Inc.)
• On-site SCDMH Contract Monitor
Q & A
SCDMH DEVELOPING THREE NEW NURSING HOMES

• Approved by State Fiscal Accountability Authority in early 2015
• Funding became available April, 2018
• Will be located in Columbia, Florence and Gaffney
• Bids in process of being reviewed and awarded
Philosophy:
- Fewer Residents per unit
- Environment that encourages development of a community

SC Prototype:
- 104 Residents
- Two homes (13 residents each) comprise each of four neighborhoods
Committee Mission

Determine if agency laws and programs are being implemented and carried out in accordance with the intent of the General Assembly and whether they should be continued, curtailed or eliminated. Inform the public about state agencies.

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