

Batterers Intervention Program Standards Oversight Committee

Review Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes: July 26th, 2005

Attending: (7) Laura Jaworski, BIPSOC; Shelley Cortese, Probation & Parole; Sage Bauer, RICADV; Adrienne McGowan, Probation & Parole; Sharon Schwartz-Vanderhoff, Probation & Parole; Audrey Shaw, Probation & Parole; Katheryn Tavares, RICADV.

Laura called the meeting to order at 2:50pm. Members reviewed and approved the amended minutes from the March 29th, 2005 meeting, as well as the minutes from the May 17th, 2005 meeting.

Program pending Review/Discussion: Renewed Comprehensive Certification

- **Galilee Mission to Fishermen, Inc.**

- o **Laura and Sharon have reviewed the application submitted by Ray Dussault for recertification. Group members reviewed the recertification summary as prepared by Laura and Sharon, which includes a review of the program curriculum and other related documents. Laura and Sharon have also completed two (2) group observations. Overall, the application materials and the group sessions observed were in compliance with BIPSOC Standards; Review Subcommittee members recommended approval for recertification for Galilee Mission to Fishermen pending presentation to the Oversight Committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 1, 2005.**

Program under Review

- **Kent House (Renewed Comprehensive Certification).**
 - o **Laura has received the application packet from the Kent House and has begun the initial review of materials. Adrienne McGowan volunteered to assist Laura in the program review. [Current certification for Kent House is scheduled to expire in October 2005.]**

Programs with applications due/Volunteers needed

- **Laura reported that three (3) programs are scheduled for renewed comprehensive certification over the next few months and asked if any members are able to assist in the review process. The following members volunteered:**

- **Kent Center: Shelley Cortese**
- **Family Violence Intervention: Shelley Cortese, Sage Bauer**
- **Tri-Hab: Sharon Schwartz-Vanderhoff**

- **Updates/Misc.**

o Center for Social Work Practice

- **Laura reported that there has been no response from Richard Lapierre, Director of CSWP, in regards to a complaint filed against the program. Also, Mr. Lapierre had notified Laura and Sisan Smallman that he was withdrawing the application for renewed comprehensive certification, which is scheduled to expire at the next regularly scheduled BIPSOC meeting on August 1, 2005.**

 Facilitator Qualifications

Members reviewed facilitator qualification forms from George Sheehan, Director of RIBIP. Members reviewed and approved the qualifications as submitted; forms added to the appropriate facilitator file.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50pm.

Next Meeting:

August 30th, 2005 at 2:30pm-4pm (Sisan's Office)

Minutes: Laura Jaworski