

# **BIPSOC RULES & STANDARDS SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Meeting of November 9, 2004**

## **MINUTES**

**Present: (5) Shelley Cortese, Probation + Parole; Kathy Carty, Vantage Point; Gwen Andrade, RICADV; Sage Bauer, RICADV; Laura Jaworski, BIPSOC.**

### **Materials Distributed:**

- Minutes from October 12, 2004 meeting.**
- Agenda for November 9, 2004 meeting.**
- BIP facilitator training hour revisions.**

**Laura called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. No changes were made to minutes from the October meeting.**

**Laura distributed an updated draft of facilitator hours as suggested by the Subcommittee last month. Laura noted that the most significant change that was made as a result of member feedback, notably around the bullet point which lists various forms of abuse. Kathy Carty questioned what an agency's "duty to warn" may be as BIP settings are not required to be clinical in nature. Kathy questioned whether or not the Tarasoff case has any applicability to psycho-education groups. Members debated this point, and as a**

**result, Laura and the RICADV are to research the scope of the case and its applicability.**

**Laura suggested that the Subcommittee review the facilitator requirement which states, in the Standards revisions, that 2 seasoned facilitators must be present when a facilitator trainee is also assisting in leading a group. Group members reported that it may be adequate for 1 seasoned facilitator to lead a group with a trainee as this provides the trainee with an opportunity to facilitate. Kathy Carty reported that a trainee may be left out of the process if there are already 2 seasoned facilitators. Kathy suggested that the group re-visit the breakdown of hours required by trainees in order to become facilitators. For example, increasing the number of observation hours to 40, with the remaining 60 devoted to co-facilitation. Laura and Sage volunteered to look at what other states have done to address this issue as a point of reference. The group agreed to continue this discussion at the next Subcommittee meeting.**

**Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.**

**UPCOMING SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

**Tuesday, December 14th, 2:30-4pm**

**Tuesday, January 11th, 2:30-4pm**

**Sisan Smallman's office**

**RIDOC-Cranston**

**15 Fleming Road-Bernadette Building**

**Minutes Prepared by Laura Jaworski**