

RHODE ISLAND BOARD FOR LICENSED CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS

Wednesday, February 13, 2008

Meeting Minutes

9:30 A.M.

The Rhode Island Board for Licensing Chemical Dependency Professionals met at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 13, 2008, in Barry Hall's Conference Room 314, 14 Harrington Road, Cranston, Rhode Island.

Members Present: Steve Horovitz, Chair, Christine Mattera, L. Sandie Smith, JJ Johnson, Johanna Rylands, Cheryl Swensen, Jorge Cevallos, Joanne Ash, Debra Tiliouine, Melissa Morgan, Secretary

Excused: Rebecca Boss, Elizabeth Kretchman

Welcome and Introductions

Steve Horovitz welcomed the Board and called the meeting to order at 9:30a.m. The January 9, 2008 minutes were reviewed. Christine Mattera motioned to approve the minutes. Debra seconded the motion. The Chairperson approved the minutes as written and submitted.

License Application Reviews

The Board reviewed three applications. Tammy Marie Brown, Jaime

E. Bernard and Richard A. Doherty

Old Business:

Update: Code of Ethics

Jorge Cevallos completed his review of the Code of Ethics and commented that the Codes need to be updated. He will forward his recommendations to Steve.

DATA Vacancy

Steve stated he spoke to Doreen at DATA to submit a DATA Board member name who is a Licensed Chemical Dependence Professional (LCDP).

Debra will speak with Rick Froncillo about revising the part in the legislature where a DATA person needs to be both a DATA Board member and a LCDP to that the LCDP Board can be complete with all its members.

Sandie will talk to Dave Spencer, Chair of the DATA Board to also change the legislature.

Board Membership

JoAnne Ash commented on her absence was due a very long illness.

Steve Moved the Board into Executive Session, 10:15am

Post Executive Session

New Business

Johanna presented a summary of the new Co-Occurring Disorder Professional Certification (CCDP) requirements.

Johanna informed the Board the oral presentation process will be eliminated in June 2008. It will be replaced by a more extensive version of the current written examination.

Sandie provided information regarding recent changes with Massachusetts Blue Cross. She informed the group that Massachusetts Blue Cross is no longer using Beacon Health Strategies to manage benefits. She also informed the Board that for unknown reasons, The Kent Center is no longer recognized as an eligible provider. Steve suggested that Board members inform their agencies of this recent change.

Update Rules and Regulation Changes with the Legislature and Board move to DOH

Sandie provided an update of the pending legislation regarding moving the RIBLCDP from MHRH to DOH. She informed the group that many of the Board's suggestions were not included in the final draft. Sandie said she would contact Helen Drew at DOH regarding an update on the status of this legislation. She will also inquire who is sponsoring the legislation in the House and Senate.

Adjournment

Steve called the meeting adjourned at 10:35 am and thanked everyone for attending.

The next meeting of the LCDP Board is scheduled for March 12, 2008 at 9:30am, third floor conference room 314 Barry Hall Building in Cranston.

Minutes respectfully recorded and written by Melissa L. Morgan