

1/10/2022

Adult State Program Standing Committee Draft Agenda

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- 12:30 – 1:00 **SPSC Business** -----*Standing Items*-----
- *Introductions & Review agenda*
 - *Vote on public comment participation today*
 - *Vote on December minutes*
 - *LCMHS prep: decide order/speaker for each question/topic*
- 1:00 – 1:30 **DMH Leadership Update- Commissioner?**
- **Legislative Update**
- 1:30 - 1:35 **BREAK**
- 1:35 – 3:00 **LCMHS Agency Visit**
- 3:00 - 3:15 **Draft Recommendation Letter to Commissioner**
- 3:15 – 3:20 **Public Comment**
- 3:20 - 3:30 **February Draft Agenda**

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12:30-2:30 Opening & Committee Business

2:30-3:00 DMH Leadership Update: Kheya Ganguly, Director of Trauma Prevention

3:00-3:10 Public Comment

3:10-3:30 Plan March Agenda

February discussion items












- *LPSCs: Discuss August Public Comment – included on last page of agenda*
- *Have an AMH SPSC Annual Report?*
- *Process for reviewing public comments that come in over email to DMH to share with this committee*
- *Update on Self Neglect Workgroup*
- *Subcommittee: AMH SPSC process for involvement in agency designation*

Potential topics:

- African music and mental health
- Virginia Peer Support Legislation

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AMH SPSC Top Ten Priorities 2021

1. Housing 
2. Reducing Emergency Departments as mental health "parking lots" 
3. Law enforcement response during a mental health crisis 
4. Suicide Prevention 
5. Crisis / drop in centers 
6. Normalize recovery, reduce stigma/discrimination 
7. Normalize and expand peer work 
8. Expand soteria model 
9. Reduce isolation and increase health relationships 
10. Other crisis interventions:
 - expand VT support line hours 
 - increase crisis intervention trainings 

Current Facilitator:
Christopher (Nov-Jan 22)

Previous Facilitators:
 Marla (Aug-Oct 2021)
 Lynne (May-July 2021)
 Marla (Feb-Apr 2021)
 Kate (Nov 20-Jan 21)
 Malaika (Oct 2020)
 Marla (Sept 2020)
 Malaika (Jun-Aug 20)
 Dan (April-May 2020)
 Marla (Jan-Mar 2020)
 Dan (Nov-Dec 19)
 Marla (Oct 19)
 Dan (Jun-Sept 19)

- Not Included (yet):
- Reducing coercion
 - Meaningful oversight of MH system

- Meeting Norms (Expectations):**
- Speak kindness
 - Listen to understand
 - Assume positive intentions
 - Be accountable
 - ELMO! (Enough Let's Move On)
 - Take space, leave space
 - Mind the empty chair

Pubic comment from August:

Public: Standing committee membership from Vermont Care Partners- can be very challenging to find people to join the committee. Can feel almost exploitive to get people to join the groups. Wonder if there is a different model for having peer/family input into services. This format was developed before survey monkey and other things were accessible. Would be interesting to have the conversation with agencies- what would a 21st century model for voice look like? Especially for parents who are supporting youth with mental health needs- they are so focused on advocacy for their kid attending a meeting too is challenging.

SPSC members agreed that standing committee model can be unintentionally tokenizing. One alternate option could be regular listening sessions/town halls/forums

