EMERGENCY INVOLUNTARY PROCEDURES REVIEW COMMITTEE
Friday, March 11, 2022 - 10:30a - 12p

Zoom Meeting Link
1. Join Zoom Meeting
https://vsc.zoom.us/j/86014600560
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Purpose
The Emergency Involuntary Procedures (EIP) Review Committee is a committee convened by the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health (Department) to review emergency involuntary procedures occurring on inpatient psychiatric units for those in the custody of the Commissioner. The Committee's responsibilities will be to review aggregate data, review inpatient hospitals' adherence to the requirements of the CMS and Joint Commission standards, to review the appropriateness of the decision(s) to use emergency involuntary procedures to ensure that there is external review and oversight of emergency involuntary procedures, and to prepare an annual report to the Department summarizing its work,providing suggestions and recommendations regarding the hospitals' adherence to CMS & Joint Commission standards.

Reflection on Six Core Strategies
Kevin Huckshorn and Janice Lebel will be joining us to review 6CS educational opportunities for 2022 as part of a Department of Mental Health grant to commence in March. Please review/reflect on the following questions underlined internally to prepare for that consultation work in the coming months.

1) Look at the last 3 episodes of restraint/seclusion and determine from the perspective of both staff perspective and from the person(s)-served:
  a) what was the precipitant?
  b) what could have been done better?
  c) what did the debriefing identify?
2) Meet with person(s)-served and ask what they think would help stop the use of r/s?
3) Ask staff why is r/s still being used?

Agenda
1. Introductions & Check-In (10:30a)
  a. Review minutes from previous meeting

2. Updates from members (10:35a)
Topics: Thinking about professional development, consultation, and technical assistance learning opportunities around 6CS in the coming months:

1) COVID-19 check-in: What are you seeing - more acuity? More violence? Longer LOS? More workforce challenges (vacancies)?
2) Describe your ideal consultation/process.

   a. Brattleboro Retreat
   b. Central Vermont Medical Center
   c. Designated Agency Representative
   d. DAIL/Division of Licensing and Protection
   e. Department of Mental Health
   f. Peer Representatives
   g. Rutland Regional Medical Center
   h. Springfield Hospital – Windham Center
   i. University of Vermont Medical Center
   j. Vermont Psychiatric Care Hospital
   k. Veterans Affairs
   l. Others

3. Quarterly data report from DMH (11:05a)

4. Open Discussion/Comments (11:25a)
   a. Membership
   b. Introduction of Dr. Klein, DMH Medical Director

Legislative Mandate
- Here is a link to the legislative mandate and the paragraph (page 15) that applies to these reports: https://mentalhealth.vermont.gov/sites/mhnew/files/documents/AboutUs/Committees/EIP/EIP_Rule_FINAL_2016.pdf
- The Review Committee shall review aggregate data that has been prepared based on information received from the clinical leadership teams of the designated hospitals and the state-operated facility regarding all relevant orders of emergency involuntary procedures (involuntary medication, seclusion and restraint). The aggregate data shall be prepared by the Department of Mental Health in quarterly reports.
- The Review Committee shall meet quarterly to review the aggregate data submitted by the designated hospitals and the state-operated facilities.

Note: Committee members & members of the public are invited to submit additional comments/questions at any time using this form: http://bit.ly/EIPComment

Important Links

- EIP Administrative Rule:

https://mentalhealth.vermont.gov/sites/mhnew/files/documents/AboutUs/Committees/EIP/EIP_Rule_FINAL_2016.pdf

- EIP Committee Website (with minutes & reports)

https://mentalhealth.vermont.gov/about-us/boards-and-committees/emergency-involuntary-procedures-review-committee