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## BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## **RECIPIENT RIGHTS ADVISORY & APPEALS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Thursday, August 3, 2023 at 5:00 pm

William B. Cammin Clinic, Bay Room, 1010 N. Madison Avenue, Bay City, MI 48708

Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent	Committee Members	Present	Excused	Absent	Others Present:
Patrick McFarland, Ch	x			Justin Peters	x			BABH: Melissa Prusi and Sara McRae
Sally Mrozinski, V Ch	x			Laurie Van Wert	X			
Robert Bowers	X			Colleen Maillette, Ex Off	X			
Ernie Krygier	X			Richard Byrne, Ex Off	X			Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA-
Kathy Niemiec	X							Motion Adopted; AB-Abstained

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion/Action
1.	Call To Order & Roll Call	Committee Chair, P. McFarland, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.  All members were present.	
2.	Public Input (Maximum of 3 Minutes)	There were not any members of the public present.	
3.	Advisory Committee Report 3.1) Executive Summary of Complaints Through July 31, 2023	3.1) M. Prusi reviewed the complaint activity for July of 2023 noting there are cases pending. There were discussions regarding the upward trend in complaints compared to previous years, and possible reasons for the upward trending including the statewide staffing crisis and job market, the high staff turnover rate in the residential system, new recruitment ideas, the impacts of staff burnout; BABH leadership's emphasis on the customer service and the recipient rights system, and that the confidentiality complaints were not isolated to one provider.	3.1) No action was necessary
4.	Training 4.1) Sterilization, Abortion, Contraception 3-3-4	4.1) M. Prusi reviewed the policy as part of the committee's continued training.	4.1) No action was necessary

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	4.2) Investigation Scenarios	4.2) M. Prusi reported individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities that were institutionalized years ago were treated poorly and did not have rights. If a person with a disability living in an institution was considered at risk for biting staff during care, the state could have their teeth surgically removed without consent. Policies were put into place over time to protect these individuals.	4.2) No action was necessary		
5.	Unfinished Business	There was not any unfinished business presented to the committee.			
	New Business 6.1) August Site Visits	6.1) There are not any site visits scheduled for August.	6.1) No action was necessary		
6.	6.2) Schedule a Mock Appeal	6.2) M. Prusi reported it was a committee goal to hold two mock appeals a year. The Committee concurred to schedule another mock appeal in the Fall.	6.2) No action was necessary		
	6.3) 2023 Recipient Rights Conference Reminder	6.3) Committee Chair, P. McFarland, reported the 2023 Recipient Rights Conference is scheduled for Tuesday through Friday, September 19-22, 2023 at Crystal Mountain Resort.	6.3) No action was necessary		
7.	Adjournment	On motion of E. Krygier and support of C. Maillette, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm. The motion passed unanimously.			

Patrick McFarland, Committee Chair