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BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECIPIENT RIGHTS ADVISORY & APPEALS COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, September 7, 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, Chris Pinter, 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			
Kathy Niemiec	X							Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA-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 from the public present.	
3.	Advisory Committee Report 3.1) Executive Summary of Complaints Through August 31, 2023	3.1) M. Prusi reviewed the complaint activity for August of 2023 noting the fiscal trends of allegations over the last couple of years are increasing. There were discussions regarding requirements for remedial action, recipient rights background checks and the violation log process, substantiated rights violations for abuse and neglect complaints stay on an employee's record for 10 years; and substantiation rates appear low due to investigations not being completed at the time of this report.	3.1) No action was necessary
4.	Training 4.1) Resident Labor 3-3-5	4.1) M. Prusi reviewed the policy as part of the committee's continued training noting the requirement for resident labor includes fair and just wages.	4.1) No action was necessary

	4.2) Investigation Scenarios	4.2) M. Prusi provided scenarios of where staff could use consumers to help complete yard and construction work at their home for hot dogs. While this may seem harmless, not paying consumers is a fair and just wage to perform these tasks might be a violation of policies.	4.2) No action was necessary
5.	Unfinished Business	There was not any unfinished business.	
	New Business		
	6.1) September Site Visits	6.1) Committee Chair, P. McFarland, reported there are not any site visits scheduled for September.	6.1) No action was necessary
6.	6.2) 2023 Recipient Rights Conference Reminder: Tuesday, September 19 – Friday, September 22, 2023 at Crystal Mountain Resort	6.2) Committee Chair, P. McFarland, reminded the Committee of the upcoming conference. Any members interested in attending should contact S. McRae.	6.2) No action was necessary
7.	Adjournment	On motion of E. Krygier and support of C. Maillette, the meeting adjourned at 5:14 pm. The motion passed unanimously.	


 Patrick McFarland, Committee Chair