

## Meeting Minutes

### Behavioral Health Care Subcommittee

October 8, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.  
General Assembly Building, Senate Room A

#### Members Present

Delegate Christopher P. Stolle, Co-Chair	Senator John C. Miller, Co-Chair
Delegate Rosalyn R. Dance	Senator George L. Barker
Delegate T. Scott Garrett	Senator Linda T. Puller
Delegate Patrick A. Hope	
Delegate Riley E. Ingram	
Delegate Kay Kory	

#### Member Participating Under Medical/Disability Provisions

Senator L. Louise Lucas, medical condition – 1 Eleanor Court South, Portsmouth, VA 23701

#### Members Absent

Delegate David L. Bulova	Senator Charles W. Carrico, Sr.
Delegate John M. O'Bannon, III	Senator John S. Edwards

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#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Senator Miller, Co-Chair of the Behavioral Health Care Subcommittee. Kim Snead gave a brief overview of the agenda and explained the decision of the Co-Chairs to cancel the Subcommittee meeting planned for the afternoon of November 5, 2014.

#### PRESENTATIONS

Robyn de Socio, Executive Secretary with the Compensation Board discussed the findings of the Board's *2013 Report on Mental Illness in Jails*.

Jack Quigley, Special Projects Manager with the Department of Medical Assistance Services, presented an overview on *Medicaid Payments for Community Hospitalization of Incarcerated Offenders*.

Fred Schilling, Myra Smith, and Teresa Harvey with the Department of Corrections discussed how the Inmate Medicaid Program, required by Item 384.J.1 of the 2014 Appropriation Act, is working.

Holly Coy, Policy Director with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, presented the recommendations of the Governor's Taskforce on Improving Mental Health Services and Crisis Response. The 25 recommendations fall into three major categories:

- Expanding Access,
- Strengthening Administration, and
- Improving Quality

The next steps for each recommendation, including legislative action and/or funding are discussed; a number of recommendations were referred to Commissioner Ferguson and the

Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. The final report of the taskforce was submitted to the Governor on October 1<sup>st</sup> and should be released soon.

Jennifer S. Lee, M.D., Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Resources provided an overview of the Governor's plan, *A Healthy Virginia*, which includes:

- Access for uninsured with a serious mental illness
- Health care for more low-income children
- Dental services to low-income pregnant women
- Partnering with the VA to enhance access to care for veterans
- Reducing deaths due to overdose of prescription painkillers and heroin
- Seeking innovative solutions by leveraging federal dollars

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

*This was the last scheduled meeting of the Behavioral Health Care Subcommittee for 2014.*

**ELECTRONIC MEETING**      YES  NO

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