DFP Committee Meeting

Thursday October 3, 2019

Osgood/Hadley

9:30-11:30

Minutes

Members Present: Ira Packer, Chair, Naomi Leavitt, Ph.D., Helene, Presskreischer, Psy.D., Stephen DeLisi, Ph.D., Paul Noroian, M.D.

Guest: Allyson Sharf, Ph.D. postdoctoral resident

Items to be discussed/reviewed:

1. New Candidate/Supervisor Issue: Due to several new candidates, and lack of available Supervisors, Dr. Leavitt asked for input for a candidate who will be working part time in New Bedford Court. The Committee looked at current supervisor list and proposed several possibilities. After the meeting Dr. Leavitt brought to Assistant Commissioner and Nicholas Petrou was assigned.
2. 15a & 15b Care and Treatment sections: The Committee reviewed current report writing guidelines for 15(b).

* Need to add intellectual disability to first bullet on disorders.
* Discussion on how to convey concerns about high risk. Several suggestions: 1) a separate letter for the care and treatment section, 2) calling or sending a letter to the court or jail (but not confident the court would read it), 3) notifying AFD by phone or email, 4) for cases in which the hospital asks for 16(a) – use model at WRCH to send along a formal motion to that effect.
* Will continue to discuss at future meetings.

1. 15(a) Care and Treatment sections. Place on future agenda for discussion: any changes recommended for 15(a) screening, and also consider developing a template for 15(a) extended evaluations.
2. Informational: New DFP Committee member appointment: John, Brown, Ph.D. was appointed effective 11/1/19
3. For future agenda: development of FMH Supervisors manual
4. Mid training reports for review:

Candidate “S”

CST and CR on different defendants

Feedback letter sent.