Task Force on Services for Survivors of Sexual Assault Full Task Force

Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2024 – 9:30am-10:30am

Meeting: Varina Area Library 1875 New Market Road Henrico, VA 23231

Members Present:	Members Absent:	VDH Staff:	Public:
Chair Maria Altonen	Delegate Jackie Glass	Camilla Herndon	Dr. Robin Foster
Senator Jennifer Boysko (virtual – reason not provided)	Genevieve Lohr		Gliebys Gonzalez
Ashley Balcombe (virtual – reason not provided)	Laurie Crawford (designee for James Williams)		Andi Martin
Dr. Michele Laaksonen	Dr. Lindsey Caley		
Caren Sterling	Jason Miyares		
Caitlin Yerkes (virtual – lives outside meeting radius)	Delegate Karrie Delaney		
Ariel Ward (virtual – lives outside meeting radius)			

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendation
I. Call to Order and Introductions	Chair Altonen called the meeting to order at 9:32am. Chair Altonen conducted a roll call of members present. Quorum was met.	
II. Review of the Agenda and Approval of Minutes	Chair Altonen reviewed the agenda with the Task Force members. Chair Altonen presented the September Full Task Force meeting minutes. A motion to approve the meeting minutes was made by Dr. Michelle Laaksonen and the motion was seconded by Senator Boysko. The minutes were approved.	
III. Public Comment	Three members of the public were present. No members of the public provided public comment.	
IV. Updates from Educational Materials Sub- Committee	Dr. Michelle Laaksonen shared feedback on the education materials. The feedback included clarifying Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) factors, clarifying restricted reporting options for military victims, use of sexually transmitted disease (STD) versus sexually transmitted infection (STI), inclusion of the national hotline for RAINN, and clarifying what is covered under the Virginia's Victim Fund. A motion to approve the educational materials with the recommended changes was made by Dr. Michelle Laaksonen and the motion was seconded by Caitlin Yerkes. The educational materials were approved. Dr. Foster will make the recommended edits.	
VI. Updates from Telemedicine Sub- Committee	Dr. Laaksonen shared updates from the telemedicine sub-committee. The sub-committee proposed a development of a teleSANE HUB program at the state level, inclusive of the three-tiered system of guidance for clinicians providing post sexual assault care across the state. After evaluation of the telephone hotline program, video capacity for consultations will be added where the teleSANE provider is able to connect in real time with the local provider, as well as the patient. A motion to approve the drafted recommendations was made by Senator Boysko and the motion was seconded by Ariel Ward.	
VII. Next Steps	A Doodle poll will be sent out for availability of next meeting.	
VIII. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned by Chair Altonen at 10:27am	