**MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

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| **Attendance Key** | |
| X | Present |
| E | Excused Absence |
| U | Unexcused Absence |
| \* | No Meeting Scheduled or Meeting Prior to Membership on Committee |

**Attendance**

**Welcome**

*Deirdre Thornlow*

The committee members were welcomed to the February 2019 Meeting.

Chair opened meeting by welcoming Jacquie Goeking, prospective member of the NHAC. The current members and our Ombudsman introduced themselves to her.

**Ombudsman Update**

*Pam Palmer*

* There have been many changes in administrative personnel at many of the nursing homes. She had previously sent us an email about this.
* April 3, 2019 is Legislative Day in Raleigh. Members who attend will receive 5 hours of continuing education credit.
* Personal needs allowances are currently $30 for NH residents and $66 for Assisted Living residents. These rates have not been changed for many years. AARP is advocating for increases.
* Pam shared with us the protocols for reporting information to the State.
* Other events:
  + May 15 (9 am – 4 pm) NC Partnership will address elder abuse at a conference at Wake Tech, Raleigh.
  + May 22 – Triangle J also is hosting an Elder Abuse conference, with topics on scams, abuse in nursing homes, and addiction. There is no charge for the conference, but registration is limited.

**Action Items**

*Deirdre Thornlow*

**Approval of January 2019 Minutes**

Each member was provided a moment to review minutes from the January 2019 meeting and for concerns to be addressed.

**Motion**

Page Wingfield motioned to accept and approve the minutes, with second by Shirley Green. The minutes were approved by the committee.

**Nursing Home Reports**

A representative of the nursing home visitation team presented details of visits to:

**Hillcrest**

Shirley Gentry presented the report (1.17.19). Shirley noted that the activity reports in each room were much more easily read since they had followed our suggestion to enlarge the font. Dana Pearson motioned and Dot Justice seconded to approve the report as presented. Acceptance of the report was unanimous by the committee.

**Croasdaile**

Deirdre Thornlow presented the report (1.25.19) and members discussed observations. One resident had the alarm on his mattress going off often, administrator told us they would correct it so that it is properly inflating.  Two residents complained of slow call bell response, especially when aides are serving meals.  They are working on pain assessment for their quality indicators. Marilyn Cash motioned and Lascel Webley seconded to approve the report as presented. The report was unanimously approved by committee.

**Announcements and Upcoming Events**

*Deirdre Thornlow*

Announcements were solicited and upcoming events were shared with committee members for discussion and/or consideration.

Upcoming Events:

Healthy People Progress & Policy May 30, 2019 5 pm at Durham Convention Center

Free Annual Meeting and launch of HP 2030 $30 to attend with 30th year anniversary celebration after meeting.

**Adjournment**

*Deirdre Thornlow*

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**Next Meeting: March 12, 2019**

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| **Nursing Home CAC Visitation Teams** | | |
| **Team** | **Members** | **Nursing Homes** |
| A | Marilyn Cash, Lascel Webley,  Sylvia Alston | Croasdaile, Durham Nursing, Hillcrest, Pettigrew |
| B | Deirdre Thornlow, Dana Pearson,  Thomas Murphy | Carver, Forest at Duke,  Rose Manor |
| C | Dot Justice, Page Wingfield,  Brenda Brown | Brian Center, Treyburn, Cedars, Pruitt |

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