

**Arlington Community Services Board (CSB)  
Children and Youth Committee  
May 15, 2019**

**Committee Present:** Wendy Carria, Marguerite Tomasek, Frank Haltiwanger, Betsy Greer (telephone), Kathy Panfiel

**Child and Family Services Division (CFSD) Staff:** Shari Lyons, Tiffany Lee, Jamii PremDas, Violetta Battle, Wendy Sittner, Rebecca Hjelm

**Called to Order:** 6:02 pm

**Minutes:** March 2019 and April 2019 meeting minutes approved and adopted

**New Business:**

*Community Report Presentation:*

Rebecca Hjelm, APCYF Data Specialist introduced and presented the FY2019 Community Report on the Status of Children, Youth and Families. Ms. Hjelm briefly discussed the overview of the findings highlighted in the report. Ms. Hjelm also discussed data being collected by the Your Voice Matters survey that is completed by youth and highlighted some data trends. The 2019 community report can be located online at <https://apcyf.arlingtonva.us/community-report-2019/>

*Same Day Access:*

Wendy Sittner (Behavioral Health Bureau Intake Clinician) and Violetta Battle (Behavioral Health Bureau Intake Supervisor) attended the meeting to discuss the progress of Same Day Access. Since the implementation of Same Day Access, the census has increased remarkably. The increase in census has not had an impact on capacity. The intake clinician and the supervisor work together to determine the clinician that would be the best fit for the youth and family. This method of case assignment is a more person centered approach. Currently, same day access is 4 days/week. On Wednesdays, the hours are extended. As a result of the extended hours (8am-6pm), Wednesday currently has the highest volume of walk-ins, specifically around 6pm. Ms. Sittner indicated that while Same Day Access has increased the workload and the pace of the Bureau, it has not negatively impacted morale of the staff and she feels very supported by management.

*Data Review:*

As of April 30, 2019, the unduplicated census was 342. During this same time period last year, the census was 252. There were 33 walk-ins for Same Day Access. Of those 33 walk-ins, 24 were admitted to receive outpatient services. This represents a 73% admission rate. Currently, the largest age group receiving services are youth ages 12-17 (total 254 youth). Of the 254 youth in this age category, 138 youth are female (54%). Youth ages 16-17 specifically, represent the largest cohort of youth receiving services (123 total). The majority of youth receiving services reside in zip code 22204 (167). Ms. Greer asked that comparison data for zip codes 22205 vs. 22207 be reviewed and submitted. Ms. Lee will provide this requested data to Ms. PremDas for dissemination.

**Announcements:**

Due to the CSB Annual Awards Ceremony next month, the time for the June meeting will need to change. Mrs. PremDas will email the group with the updated time and date for the June meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned:**

7:02pm

**Next Meeting:**

**TBD**