

MONTHLY REPORT

Consultation with DHHS
Augusta, ME.

March 2006

The following work was completed in March:

Meetings continued to be held with key stakeholders in order to obtain information related to continuity of care, vocational services and the bed capacity at Riverview Psychiatric Center.

March 16: Roberta Hurley and I met with consumers at Amistad to discuss interests in and experiences with vocational services; I met with the Spring Harbor executive staff to discuss continuity of care and inpatient bed capacity; Roberta and I met to discuss vocational services and planning for our recommendations.

March 17: I met with Richard Weiss to discuss housing on the grounds at Riverview; I attended the MHA mental health committee meeting; I met with staff from Community Health and Counseling in Bangor and visited the crisis stabilization unit.

March 28: I met with staff from Sweetser to discuss continuity of care and with a group of consumers from the Peer Support Center.

March 29: I met with DHHS staff, representatives from the ACT teams, and with the C.L.A.S.S. and Initiatives groups to discuss community services and recommendations for strengthening continuity of care. I also met with the plaintiffs' attorneys to discuss housing on the grounds of Riverview and obstacles to continuity of care.

March 30: I met with David Proffitt to discuss housing on the grounds of Riverview, with individuals interested in the referral processes to inpatient and other services, and with the Riverview bed capacity committee.

As requested, I outlined the methodology I plan to use in preparing my final recommendations regarding bed capacity at Riverview. I began organizing information needed to prepare my preliminary recommendations on this issue.

Submitted:

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