



**Virginia Commission on Youth  
Virginia Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services**

**SYSTEMS OF CARE AND EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES  
CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

July 13, 2007

10:00 a.m.

Office of Comprehensive Services  
Powhatan Conference Room, Wythe Building  
1604 Santa Rosa Road - Richmond

**Members Present**

Janet Lung, Dept. of Mental Health, Mental Retardation & Substance Abuse Services  
Pamela Fisher, Office of Comprehensive Services  
Denise Gallop, Hampton FAPT  
Jessica McClary, Hampton FAPT  
Steven Peed, Dept. of Juvenile Services  
David Suttle, Virginia Dept. of Health  
Tracey Jackson, Dept. of Social Services  
Bob Cohen, Ph.D, Virginia Commonwealth University  
Leah Hamaker, Virginia Commission on Youth

**Agenda Items**

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

Leah Hamaker began the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

**II. Conference Planning Activities**

Janet Lung updated the Committee on the work of planning the conference; and working towards the implementation of a system of care in Virginia. Ms. Lung shared the system of care concept and philosophy. The system of care concept maintains that all areas should be considered when addressing mental health treatment needs of youth.

Ms. Lung explained the *Systems of Care and Evidence-based Practices Conference: Tools that work for youth and families*, which will be held September 16-18, 2007 at the Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center. There is a \$100 registration fee, and information is on the conference website ([www.cpe.vt.edu/scep/index.html](http://www.cpe.vt.edu/scep/index.html)). The conference can accommodate 400 participants. Attendees would include individuals supporting youth with behavioral health disorders, caregivers, family members, behavioral health professionals, school representatives, juvenile justice representatives, policy makers, local administrators, and state officials. There are accommodations at a rate of \$99 at the Hotel Roanoke or at the Wyndham, for a state rate of \$76.

**III. Agenda/Speakers**

Pamela Fisher provided the Committee with the conference agenda. Ms. Fisher explained that, on Sunday, September 16, the First Lady's Reception will be held, the theme of which will be Hearing Family/Youth Voices: Partnering with Families and Youth. This will take place from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. On Monday, September 17, Systems of Care and Family Involvement will include: information on implementing systems of care, presentations by Ira Lourie and Karl Dennis, a youth breakout session during lunch and numerous workshop topics. On Tuesday, September 18, Evidence-based and Promising Practices will be discussed. Activities for the day include presentations by Bob Friedman, Barbara Burns, and Bruce Chorpita, along with numerous workshop topics.

**IV. Sponsors/Exhibitors**

Leah Hamaker discussed the role of vendors at the conference. The hierarchy begins with Platinum sponsors, costing \$5,000, followed by Gold for \$2,500, then Silver for \$1,000, Bronze for \$500, and Conference Partner for \$100. All will receive varying degrees of benefits.

**V. Conclusion**

Ms. Hamaker informed the Committee that Conference updates would be provided via email.

The Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.