



Sandy Hook Advisory Committee

May 3, 2013

9:30 AM

LOB, Room 2D

Minutes

Committee Chair: Scott Jackson

Members Present: Adrienne Bentman, Ron Chivinski, Robert Ducibella, Terry Edelstein, Kathleen Flaherty, Alice Forrester, Patricia Keavney-Maruca, Denis McCarthy, Harold Schwartz, Bernie Sullivan, Wayne Sandford

Members Absent: Ezra Griffith, Chris Lyddy, Barbara O'Connor, David Schonfeld

- I. Meeting opens at 9:30 AM
- II. Chair Scott Jackson welcomes audience and Committee members
- III. Committee members introduce themselves
- IV. Dr. Paul Appelbaum, Columbia University psychology professor, and R. Traci Cipriano, Yale University psychology professor, present on mandatory reporting, emphasizing that:
 - a. Given the small share of violence attributable to mental disorder (3-5%), policies aimed exclusively at people with mental disorders are unlikely to lead to significant increases in public safety
 - b. Mental health professionals have a common law duty to protect when alerted by a patient of a threat of imminent physical harm
 - c. Statutory exceptions to confidentiality allow for breaching confidentiality and for involuntary admission to a hospital for psychiatric evaluation and treatment
- V. Dr. Lisa Namerow, UCONN professor of psychiatry and pediatrics, and Dr. Stephen Larcen, Hartford HealthCare, present on barriers to access to care, recommending:
 - a. improved reimbursement for child and adolescent inpatient care
- VI. Dr. Andrew Lustbader, Connecticut Council of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, and Dr. Sandra Carbonari, Connecticut Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics, present on mental health access.
- VII. Other Business



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- a. No meeting May 10, 2013
- VIII. Meeting adjourns at 4:00 PM