## **SC DMH Patient Advocacy Report** February 2023

FACILITY	COMPLAINTS RESOLVED THIS MONTH	YEAR-TO-DATE	
BPH-Adult	4	8	
Harris	8	17	
Morris Village	1	4	
Hall		3	
Tucker	2	3	
BPH-Forensics	7	20	
Mental Health Centers	45	93	
Total	67	148	

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

	THIS MONTH	YEAR-TO-DATE
Toll Free Telephone Calls to SCDMH Patient Advocacy	79	159
Information, Referral & Other Assistance <sup>1</sup>	9	19

## AT A GLANCE

Type of Complaint Resolved	Inpatient <sup>2</sup> Year-to-date	Forensics <sup>3</sup> Year-to-date	Centers <sup>4</sup> Year-to-date	Total # This Month	Total DMH Year to Date
1) Abuse & Neglect	7	1	7	6	15
2) Admission & Discharge	2		10	5	12
3) Information & Advocacy	3	3	14	13	20
4) Physical Environment	8	6		4	14
5) Inpatient Rights	11	6	1	5	18
6) Personal Property & Money	7	7	7	9	21
7) Confidentiality & Consent	1	1	7	6	9
8) Treatment	7	3	60	36	70
9) Other Rights Issues			10	4	10
Total <sup>5</sup>	46	27	116	88	189

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Requests for information or assistance that do not involve a complaint or do not relate to DMH services.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Inpatient: BPH-Adult, Harris, Morris Village, Tucker & Hall. <sup>3</sup> Forensics: BPH-forensics (Wellpath & Crafts Farrow Campus).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Centers: All DMH community mental health centers, programs and community residential facilities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Total complaints per <u>Facilities</u> will not necessarily equal the total for <u>Types of Complaint Resolved</u>. A complaint may involve more than one type of rights category.

Type of Complaint Resolved	Inpatient Year-to-date	Forensics Year-to-date	Centers Year-to-date	Total # This Month	Total DMH Year-to-date
1) Abuse & Neglect					
a. Physical Abuse & Excessive Force					
b. Excessive Restraint, Seclusion & PRNs					
c. Sexual Abuse					
d. Verbal Abuse or Violations of Dignity	6	1	7	6	14
e. Neglect	1				1
f. Financial Exploitation					
2) Admission & Discharge					
a. Discharge (when)	1			1	1
b. Community Placement (where)	1			1	1
c. Periodic Court Review					
d. Questions, Education & Other			10	3	10
3) Information & Advocacy					
a. Access to Advocacy	2	2	14	12	18
b. Access to Legal Resources		1			1
c. Questions, Education & Other	1			1	1
4) Physical Environment					
a. Food Quality & Quantity	1			1	1
b. Linens, Clothes & Toiletries	3	3		2	6
c. Disrepair of Physical Plant	1	3		1	4
d. Cleanliness of Facilities	3				3
5) Inpatient Rights					
a. Privacy		1			1
b. Safety		1	1		2
c. Freedom, Privileges & Fairness	6	4		2	10
d. Communication	3			2	3
e. Health Care	2			1	2
6) Personal Property & Money					
a. Property	1	6		3	7
b. Money, Entitlements, Rep. Payee	1	1	1	2	3
c. Billing Issues	4		6	3	10
d. Other Non-DMH Issues	1			1	1
7) Confidentiality & Consent					
a. Access to Records & Information	1	1	5	4	7
b. Breach of Confidentiality					
c. Issues of Consent, Confidentiality, etc.			2	2	2
8) Treatment					
a. Eligibility for Services			10	7	10
b. Accessibility to Staff & Treatment	4		20	10	20
c. Individualized, Client-Driven	3	3	29	18	36
d. Right to Refuse Treatment			1	1	4
9) Other Rights Issues					
a. Work, Compensation & Education					
b. Religion					
c. Sexuality, Birth Control, Marriage, etc.					
d. Voting					
e. Housing			5	3	5
f. Legal assistance for Non-DMH issues			5	1	5