

**OHA Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**February 17, 2012**  
**Noon-12:30**

1. Agenda - Approved as is

2. Administrative Report

- a. Vicki Veltri reported that the first quarter meeting was later than normal due to staff absences and need to complete work assignments. V.V. thanked staff for willingness to reschedule the first quarter meeting. V. Veltri reported that OHA issued its 2011 annual savings number. OHA continues to prepare the 2011 Annual Report. Staff is assisting in formatting the report.

Report numbers show the need for continued funding of grant staff beyond the CAP grant funding period.

- b. Personnel – VV reported that staffing is appropriate for current needs, but OHA hopes that continued staff funding becomes reality in the budget. OHA has identified some areas in which there might be savings to the state that OHA can achieve through funding of staff. OHA has been meeting with DCF to discuss collaboration, MOU and funding of a position. New staff attorney has started (December 2011)– Demian Fontanella – former intern. The staff was happy to welcome him aboard.

- c. Insurance Department – nothing to report

3. Consumer Relations Report – annual figures from 2011 shows \$11 Million saved for consumers in 2011. That is a record for OHA. Case volume was over twice as much as CY 2010. Trends for cases continue – mental health is still the highest category.

4. Legal and Legislative Report

VV reported on favorable meetings with legislators on OHA's work and possibility of addition of staff to work on preventing inappropriate state expenditures in Medicaid. VV optimistic about budget.

5. Other Business – nothing to report.