Date: 05/22- 07/22

SW and SW's supervisor made a routine visit to the patient at X facility, the facility he resides in for a routine visit. Upon arrival, the patient was in the restroom. When the patient came out of the restroom SW introduced themselves to the patient. Patient did not remember the name of SW supervisor but was able to recognize her. Patient was grateful and excited to have visitors. SW took the patient to sit in the outdoor courtyard. Patient propelled himself in his wheelchair and was very mobile. The patient said he had been living at the facility for seven years. The patient mentioned that he enjoyed living at the facility, but that he did not like the food provided. The patient mentioned that he could not have food that he used to enjoy because it caused pain with his teeth. SW asked about the patient's family. The patient talked about his late wife who he was married for 60 years. The patient described his wife as "the love of his life". The patient talked about how he enjoyed going to the mountains and the beach with his wife. The patient was cheerful when describing his life. The patient talked about his two daughters both of who had passed. The patient mentioned that one of his daughters passed a year ago. SW asked about the patient's childhood and how long he had been living in Richmond. The patient said that he had grown up in Richmond. The patient discussed how much Richmond had changed since he was younger. The patient talked about his career putting up drywall and how he enjoyed it. Patient mentioned that he would like to play guitar for SW and the other patients at the facility. Patient wanted to roll his wheelchair to the gate at the end of the courtyard. SW walked with the patient back and forth between the gate of the courtyard a couple of times. SW and the patient returned inside and sat at a table in the common area. The patient mentioned that this is where he eats his meals and mentioned that he did not like the food at the facility again. SW asked what food he enjoyed patient responded that he enjoyed coleslaw but could not he eat anymore. The patient said that he enjoyed cookies that he could suck on. No other needs or concerns at this time.

SW made a routine visit to the patient at X facility. Upon arrival, the patient appeared agitated. The patient said that it feels like he was cross-eyed and could not focus his eyes. SW supervisor noted that his left eye was not able to look to the right. Patient said that his eye was causing him to be scared because he did not know what was causing the issue with his eye. The patient said that his eye was fine until right before the visit started. The patient mentioned a couple of times that otherwise he felt healthy but his eye was making him “feel off”. Patient asked if his nurse was coming soon throughout the visit. SW provided emotional support. SW asked if there was something he would like to do while waiting for the nurse to do a visit, patient wanted to play his guitar. Patient played his guitar until the end of the visit. Patient said that playing the guitar and singing was comforting to him. Patient’s nurse came in to do her visit. SW ended their visit.

SW made a visit to the patient at X facility where the patient resides. Upon arrival, the patient had just come back into the room. SW reintroduced themselves to the patient. The patient did not recognize SW but was glad to have a visitor. The patient had his guitar out and wanted to play a song for SW. The patient then played a couple of songs about his wife. SW then asked patient about his wife and engaged in life review with the patient. The patient mentioned that it is difficult for him to not be able to remember things like he used to. SW provided emotional support. Patient then played his guitar until the end of the visit. Patient thanked SW for visiting. No further needs at this time.

SW made a visit to the patient at X facility, where the patient resides. The patient was in the lobby scheduling a haircut upon arrival. The patient was grateful to have a visitor. SW took the patient outside to do the visit. SW engaged in life review with the patient. The patient mentioned how much he enjoys being outside and how he wishes he was able to go out more. The patient said that he gets tired of being in his room all the time. SW asked if he goes to activities, the patient responded that he does and enjoys them. The patient mentioned being excited about the upcoming talent show. Patient wanted to play guitar, SW and the patient walked back to his room where he played a couple of songs. SW walked the patient to lunch and ended the visit. SW said goodbye and the patient thanked SW for visiting.

SW made a visit to X facility, where the patient resides. The patient was in the day room upon arrival. SW started the visit in the day room. The patient appeared excited to have a visitor. The patient said that SW seemed familiar to him. The patient said that he was having a good day today and had a good lunch with some of the other residents. SW engaged in life review with the patient. The patient said that it is hard being his age because most of the people he knew in his life had passed. SW provided emotional support. Patient wanted to play his guitar so SW and the patient went back to his room. The patient played a couple of songs for SW. At the end of the SW mentioned that next week will be the last visit. The patient did not remember SW’s previous visits but was excited for a visit next week. SW said goodbye and the patient thanked SW for the visit.

Meeting Date: 2/27/24 SOAP Note

The social worker and interdisciplinary team met with the primary client, the participant (BW) and the secondary client, the son, (SW) for an evaluation for admission into the center.

Subjective: BW is a 91-year-old who is starting at the center. BW does not have a dementia diagnosis. SW is the adult son of BW who is the primary caregiver. BW moved in with SW about a year ago. BW is reluctant to get enrolled in the center, evidenced by his statements saying “I still don’t know about this whole thing” which was restated frequently throughout the meeting. He often questioned the purpose of the steps for the evaluation. BW asked for details about the activities and food in the center. While appearing reluctant evidenced by sarcasm, he still followed instructions throughout the evaluation. SW is ready to get BW enrolled into the center so that he and his wife can get a break during the day. SW states that having BW in the home at all times is causing stress for him and his wife. SW states that his wife feels like she is at her breaking point.

Objective: When entering the room SW led the way while BW followed behind. SW did not assist BW with walking into the room even when he appeared to be unsteady. SW deferred to BW when questions were asked and had BW fill out intake forms. When SW spoke in reference to BW he looked to BW for reassurance. When separated SW appeared more relaxed as evidenced by his body language and willingness to speak on behalf of BW for his medical information. When asked about BW’s interests in activities SW was unsure of what BW would want and said to ask BW instead. When BW met with the recreational therapist solo he was more willing to open up and talk about his interests. BW also appeared less guarded and sarcastic as evidenced by his conversations. When SW and BW came back together at the end of the evaluation BW appeared to be in a more cheerful mood as evidenced by facial expressions and willingness to talk about the center in a positive light. When exiting the room SW lead to way while BW followed behind.

Assessment: It appears that BW wants to maintain his independence as long as possible and does not like relying on SW. SW appears to not want to challenge BW’s role or change the son-father role dynamic, as evidenced by his deferral to BW during the evaluation. BW would most likely have hesitancies when first getting started at the center but will eventually warm up and enjoy the activities provided as evidenced by his behavior when entering the evaluation and separate. Having BW at the center will provide relief for SW and his family.

Plan: BW will start at the center on 3/6/2024. The social worker and team will check in with BW at least once a day for the first two weeks. Social worker will also check in with SW during the first week to evaluate how SW is doing with BW attending the center.