



**Toronto Regional Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee
(T-HSJCC)**

**Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2014
9:30 - 11: 30 a.m.**

CMHA, 700 Lawrence Avenue

Present: Steve Lurie, CMHA; Allar Viinamae, MCSCS; Susan Davis, Gerstein Centre; Judy Moir, CHIRS; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Umwali Sollange CH &E Specialist (RIC-JC), GTA Region; Patricia Pagnani, Toronto Bail Program; Andrew Graham, Cota; Alenka Dujmovic, Cota; Paul Van de Laar, Cota

Call-in: Charissa Levy, Toronto ABI Network; Bill Gapen, Griffin Centre; Carole Sinclair, MAARS/SASP

Regrets: Katie Almond, Probation and Parole; Kathy Chau, CMHA; Susan Adams, Defense Counsel; Amber Kellen, John Howard Society; Debbie Lynch, CTYS, New Outlook; Paula Beard, Legal Aid Ontario; Mohamed Badsha, Reconnect; Susan Boucaud, Toronto East Detention Centre; Laval Binns, MCSCS; Chris Boddy, Toronto Police Service; Deputy Chief Mike Federico, Toronto Police Service; Dave Scott, Toronto Bail Program; Sandra Bricker, Toronto Network of Specialized Care/Surrey Place Centre

Welcome and Introductions

- Everyone introduced themselves.
- Steve Lurie started the meeting with a preliminary discussion about Judge Iacobucci's report. He suggested the committee discuss the role of Toronto Regional HSJCC in identifying the process for concerns regarding the recommendations.
- He also suggested that once the Justice Collaborative is completed, the committee should look at the role of the Toronto Regional and the locals.

Review and Approval of June 6, 2014 minutes

- The minutes of June 6, 2014 were approved.
- Steve Lurie discussed whether Justice on Target (JOT) should be attending the T-HSJCC meetings.
- It was decided that issues surrounding women in custody should be discussed with the JOT representative, specifically with regard to Video Bail.

- It was also suggested to contact Michael Waby, from JOT to invite him to attend a meeting. Domenica Dileo and Patricia Pagnani will coordinate with JOT to see who will attend on its behalf.

Update from Justice Service Collaborative

- Umwali Sollange reported that the Justice Service Collaborative has two pilot sites – College Park and the Reintegration Centre. The pilot sites are working collaboratively to develop a needs identification tool to include a service and referral component
- Some of the challenges at College Park include who will institute the needs identification tool
- There are also issues of confidentiality and privacy – legal experts are being consulted.
- The project is now looking at the connection to available services instead of timely access to services.
- The Collaborative is also working on a Position Paper on Housing to be completed by March 31, 2015, led by the CAMH Policy Committee.
- Umwali Sollange asked the T-HSJCC to consider ways to support the Justice Service Collaborative outside of the two sites and to include JOT.
- There was an extended discussion about priority access.
- It was also acknowledged that the Safe Bed Network is not linked to Access 1.
- Steve Lurie suggested the Position Paper on Housing review the issues surrounding Safe Beds and the role of a concurrent disorder as well as gender issues.
- The needs identification tool might be able to inform Release Planning
- The project end date might be December 2015.

Update from the T-HSJCC Complex Care Sub-Committee

- Charissa Levy thanked Steve Lurie and Domenica Dileo for their support during the hiring process.
- Request for Proposals were sent out. Two consultants replied. The successful candidate was Jason Newberry.
- Jason Newberry has over twenty years experience in program, system design and evaluation regarding complex needs. He developed the Service Resolution Mechanism in Mental Health and Addictions for Peel. He has worked with the ABI Community and has experience designing systems for the homeless, for addiction services, and for the mental health community and evaluation of frequent Emergency Department users.
- The four-phase project starts in October 2014 and is scheduled to be completed in January 2015.
- It was suggested that in Phase 3, he include the HSJCC locals.

Update from PHSJCC

- The P-HSJCC is working on a project with LAO to develop a screening tool.
- A study has started to assess what currently exists for court support and should be completed by March 2015.
- Also, the committee is waiting to hear from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care if there are funds to expand the Secretariat.

Webinars

- Domenica Dileo reported that the P-HSJCC is in the process of developing an integrated knowledge exchange strategy, The Lunch and Learns webinars have been a good learning experience but requires resources to continue live streaming them. We are moving forward by exploring the possibility of recording the Lunch and Learns to upload them to the HSJCC website to share the learning with the broader HSJCC community.
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Updates from the Toronto Local HSJCCs

- Locals updates were deferred to the Co-chairs meeting.

Actions

- Umwali Sollange will send Domenica Dileo the Rexdale Service Resolution Report to forward to the Complex Care Sub- Committee.
- Domenica Dileo and Patricia Pagnani will coordinate with JOT to see who will attend the next T-HSJCC meeting on its behalf.

Next Meeting

Friday, December 5th, 2014 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at
CMHA, 700 Lawrence Avenue West, Suite 480 (followed by the Co-chairs meeting)