

Guelph Human Services and Justice Coordination Committee Meeting

- Date:** Thursday April 4, 2013 @ 12:30 PM
- Location:** Stonehenge Therapeutic Community, 60 Westwood Rd, Guelph, ON, N1H 7X3
- Present:** Sharon Deally-Grzybowski, CMHA Waterloo Wellington Dufferin
Paul Wood, Salvation Army
Marc De Vos, STC (proxy for Acting Executive Director Cheri Bilitz)
Sara Nelson, Homewood Health Centre
Rhonda Frank, Maplehurst Correctional Institute
Christina Gilroy, Probation and Parole
- Regrets:** Cathy Bassarab, Pam Borgheson, Jan Wyman, Karen Kelly, Sara Haplip

Minutes

1. Acceptance of Minutes

A copy of the minutes was not on hand, they were accepted in principle by those present.

2. Guelph Drug Treatment Court Update

Marc brought in Christine Deckert (Stonehenge Drug Court Lead) to provide a verbal update of the Guelph Drug Court. Currently there is only one Drug Court client, a federal offender who recently reoffended and will likely be returning to treatment (possibly Stonehenge). Chris notes current barriers within this new program are lack of referrals/program awareness and lack of addiction knowledge within the justice system. Some potential solutions are being worked out through Pam Borgheson.

ACTION: Marc to forward Chris's Drug Court letter with program criteria to Sharon.

3. PHSJCC Updates

- Sharon reported that a meeting recently occurred but minutes have not been distributed yet. The next PHSJCC biannual conference is occurring Nov. 25-27 at the Toronto Marriott Eaton Centre. Presentation abstract submissions deadline is April 5th. This year's theme is New Realities: The Changing World from Youth to Elderly in Human Services & Justice.

Conference Link: <http://www.hsicc.on.ca/Uploads/Call%20for%20Abstracts%20JAN26.pdf>

- Sharon still sits on the Emerg/Police Advisory Committee to develop a manual of a variety of protocols across the Province. The hope is that it will assist other areas without protocols in developing their own protocol to reduce the wait times at Emergency for police.

- Sharon had sent out a copy of Bill C-54 - Not Criminally Responsible Reform Act which is currently in its second reading in Parliament.

4. Budget

Last year's HSJCC budget went towards the development of the Justice Booklet. Sharon is seeking the committee's ideas on how to allocate this year's \$2,000 budget. Sharon noted there were recent discussions at the regional committee regarding their \$4,000 in funding. Ideas used by other Regional HSJCCs across the Province included:

- Hiring a consultant to evaluate the mental health courts across K-W and Guelph
- Sponsorship of a Vicarious Trauma Workshop
- Trainings on the impact of substance addictions
- Lunch & Learn trainings on FAS and ABI
- Sending staff to the Building Bridges Conference

Members are encouraged to send their ideas for the Guelph HSJCC budget to Sharon.

ACTION: Sharon will connect with Karen Kelly regarding a potential Lunch & Learn education session for OPP staff.

5. Agency Updates

CMHA-WWD

- Sharon reported that the CMHA-GRB – Trellis merge became official as of April 1st. Fred Wagner was the successful candidate for ED for the new the organization. Don Roth is now the Director of Adult Services and Seniors. Helen Fishburn is Director of Coordinated Access and Intake; a vacancy remains in the 3rd Director role for Children and Youth. Sharon's new portfolio is Manager of Mental Health & Justice.
- With the merge, the CMHA-WDD now has 10 OTN sites across the region, from Orangeville to Waterloo
- The Enhanced Crisis Service Program is well on its way in Kitchener-Waterloo – this is a mobile team that carry walkie talkies connected to the police radio system for quick responses
- The Psychiatric Outreach Program is exploring opportunities to coordinate services with the new Opioid Substitution Program (unofficial name)

Homewood

- Sara notes that numbers are way up in the Emergency Mental Health Unit.

Stonehenge TC

- Marc updated the committee that STC's second OTN unit located at the STC Men's Centre on Hwy 24 is now up and running. It was implemented through the WWLHIN Clinical Telemedicine Program which allocated one RN in a partnership between STC, Portage and House of Friendship.

- The Opioid Substitution Program of which STC is the lead agency has recently posted positions for various clinical positions for what will be a 7-member team. Studies are underway to determine the optimal locations for the fixed sites of this LHIN-wide program.

Maplehurst Correctional Institute

- Rhonda informed on research of FASD that is currently being done at Maplehurst to demonstrate that FASD assessments can be done in custody with remanded prisoners. This should be able to effect sentencing and programs/treatment needs.

6. New Business

No new business.

7. Next Meetings

Thurs. June 6, 2013 from 12:30 – 2:30pm at Orchard Park (lunch provided)

The following new dates were discussed and agreed upon by the committee:

Thurs. Sept. 19, 2013 from 12:30 – 2:30pm, location TBA

Thurs. Dec. 12, 2013 from 12:30 – 2:30pm, location TBA

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:50pm.