



Provincial Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee Minutes

Meeting Date: May 14, 2012

Meeting Attendance:

| | Regional HSJCC Reps (Voting Members) | Ministry Reps (Ex-Officio) | Other Members (Ex-Officio) |
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| Present | Katie Almond – Co-chair (Toronto Region) Vicky Huehn – Co-chair (South East Region) Courtenay McGlashen (Peel Region) George Kurzawa (South Central Region) Heather Callender (South West Region) Lloyd Bowers (Halton Region) Michael Dunn (Simcoe County Region) Rob Adams (Durham Region) Sandie Leith (North East Region) Trevor Tymchuk (North East Region) Alice Bellavance (North West Region) Steve Lurie (Toronto Region) Joan Dervin (Champlain Region) Liisa Leskowski (North West Region) | Brian Smegal (MCYS) Carol Lang (MOHLTC) Chris Higgins (MOHLTC) Mandeep Flora (MCSS) Sheri Weisberg (MOHLTC) Sue Khowessah (MCSCS) Reshmi Majumder (MCSS) | Judy Alton (OPP) Marnie McDermott (Community Network of Specialized Care) Michelle Gold (CMHA Ontario) Uppala Chandrasekera (CMHA Ontario) Kelly Downs (CMHA Ontario) |
| Regrets | Jonathan King (York-South Simcoe Region) Mark Graham for Martina Piccinin (HKPR Region) Sharon Deally-Grzybowski (Waterloo-Wellington Region) | Thanusha Kayilasanathan (MCYS) Jennifer Gravelle (Corrections Canada) Marie Fitzgerald (MCSCS) Maura Jette (MAG) | Brad Davy (CONNEX) John Pare (OACP) |
| Guests | N/A | | |

Meeting Minutes:

| Item | Discussion | Action & Person Responsible |
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| 1. Welcome and Introductions | All attendees were introduced. | |
| 2. Review and approval of March 21, 2012 minutes | | To approve minutes of the March 21, 2012 meeting. Moved by Heather Callender. Seconded by Sandie Leith. Carried. |
| <p>3. Provincial HSJCC business:</p> <p>a) HSJCC Annual Report due to MOHLTC Updated mailing list for local and regional committees required</p> <p>b) Provincial Conference follow-up</p> <p>c) Update from Communications &</p> | <p>Katie reported that the PHSJCC is required to submit an annual report to MOHLTC by June 30th to meet accountability for funding. All Regional and Local HSJCCs must submit their membership lists and regional accomplishments to be included in the report.</p> <p>The committee felt that a template for collecting membership lists would be helpful for HSJCCs to submit their membership lists. Membership lists should be updated regularly, and it would be helpful if the lists are stored in one central place online.</p> <p>Vicky has offered to mentor the new chair of the Provincial Conference Committee to take over her position in 2015. She has collated material to assist the mentorship. The ideal candidate should be action-oriented and committed to PHSJCC. They must also be willing to mentor and to take on a leadership role, and able to commit to being chair for the conference in 2015.</p> <p>Vicky circulated possible locations for the conference and the associated costs. Toronto is the preferred city for the conference. A request was made that potential dates don't conflict with other conferences.</p> <p>Trevor is the new Chair of the CKT Committee. CKT Committee has created space on the website for Local and Regional HSJCC membership lists and</p> | <p>Katie will email Regional Chairs requesting regional accomplishments. Uppala will draft the Annual Report for review by the Steering Committee.</p> <p>Uppala will connect with Connex to explore options for creating a membership database.</p> <p>Vicky will send out a general invitation to HSJCC members for assistance with organizing the conference.</p> <p>All items to be included on the website can be emailed</p> |

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| <p>Knowledge Transfer Committee</p> <p>d) Police/Mental Project update</p> | <p>workplans. Local and Regional HSJCC Chairs are requested to submit their workplans to be posted on the website.</p> <p>Uppala reported that the Legislative Library of Ontario had contacted the PHSJCC with a request to include the Police/Mental Health Report in their archives. This is great recognition for the PHSJCC.</p> <p>The Police/Mental Health Education Directory Project is currently on hold as until funds are found to upload the information to the website.</p> <p>Last week, in a Globe & Mail article, the Minister of Community Safety & Correctional Services, Madeleine Meilleur, announced a review of police protocols across Ontario. There has been no official announcement through the Ministry.</p> | <p>directly to Trevor.</p> <p>The Steering Committee will submit a letter to the Minister supporting the review, and will request a meeting to share the findings of the Police/Mental Health Report.</p> |
| <p>4. Brief Updates from Regional HSJCCs and Ministries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional HSJCCs • MAG, MCSCS, MCSS, MOHLTC • OPP, Corrections Canada, CMHA Ontario, FDG | <p>Simcoe County: A researcher is evaluating the experience/outcomes of Simcoe County. Norfolk Hamilton is looking at ways to examine the correlation between the work of the COAST team and reduced wait times, and assessing the impact of the Brantford Jail closure.</p> <p>North East: The TOR is completed and translated into French; and video-conferencing is now being used to host meetings.</p> <p>South East: South East LEAD training for 52 people. The community service fair hosted by the Frontenac HSJCC was a success.</p> <p>London: London is acting as an advisory on therapeutic court.</p> <p>Champlain: Mental health lead at Regional Detention Centre is being seconded elsewhere. There is concern about the effect of restructuring at a local detention centre.</p> <p>Simcoe-Muskoka: Police are better identifying people who need to go to the hospital; but as wait times remain an issue, Simcoe-Muskoka is spearheading training. MH court is opening in Barrie. Regional conference is May 17th.</p> <p>Durham Region: Five-year-old MH court has been very successful. MH support unit will be reviewed. Durham has a new seniors' pre-diversion program, which</p> | <p>Brian will distribute a list of therapeutic courts.</p> <p>Rob will write up the Seniors' Pre-Diversion Program for the HSJCC quarterly newsletter.</p> |

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| | <p>trauma. There is an extensive network for PTSD.</p> <p>Corrections Canada: The Federal Government closing the Kingston Penitentiary, which is the only site of psychiatric care housing 157 people. There is no information on where they will be placed.</p> <p>CMHA Ontario: There will be four justice collaboratives via CAMH, and Rob Moore has offered to present on the collaboratives to the HSJCC.</p> | |
| <p>5. Provincial HSJCC Restructuring discussion</p> | <p>Steering Committee has been in discussion and recommends a restructuring of the Provincial HSJCC network to increase the capacity of the Provincial Committee and to enhance its effectiveness. The Steering Committee also recommends establishing a Provincial HSJCC Secretariat to increase staff support for the HSJCC network. An organizational structure of the current Provincial HSJCC as well as the proposed restructuring was shared at the meeting on March 21, 2012.</p> <p>Committee discussed the rationale for restructuring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to align, expand and coordinate supporting activities of the HSJCCs through a secretariat function. • Need for more efficient use of time to maximize opportunities to participate in HSJCC network. • Need for the Provincial HSJCC to better engage the membership of the Regional and Local HSJCCs through establishing ongoing, issue-based working groups. • Need for the Provincial HSJCC to effectively meet expectations from HSJCC-affiliated Government Ministries as well as general objective of demonstrating value for money. <p>Committee also discussed the benefits of restructuring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased staff support should increase the capacity of the Provincial, Regional and Local HSJCCs to enhance service coordination at the provincial level. • Enhanced communication function of the Provincial HSJCC will better | |

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| | <p>engage the membership of the Regional and Local HSJCCs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthened Provincial HSJCC will help to enhance relationships with Government Ministries. <p>Concerns were raised about how the PHSJCC will secure financial resources to support the Secretariat. The Steering Committee confirmed that funds for the Secretariat would not be extracted from the Local or Regional HSJCCs, but rather new avenues will be pursued.</p> <p>Overall the discussion revealed that most Committee members are in agreement with the restructuring. Only two regions are seriously opposed. Committee continued the discussion at the in camera portion of the meeting.</p> | |
| <p>7. Presentation from Toronto Regional HSJCC on Complex Clients</p> | <p>Toronto Regional HSJCC Complexity Committee conducted a presentation on their collaboration with assisting complex clients.</p> <p>The presentation was followed by a discussion of gaps in service regarding persons dealing with FASD and Early Autism Spectrum Disorder.</p> | <p>The presentation will be posted on the website.</p> |
| <p>8. In camera meeting for Provincial HSJCC members (excluding Government Reps)</p> | <p>In the in camera meeting, the Committee continued the earlier discussion re: restructuring. As today's discussion showed a fair amount of consensus for change, a motion was made to move forward on the restructuring of the PHSJCC.</p> <p>The Steering Committee is requested to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amend the PHSJCC terms of reference to reflect the new structure Make arrangements for interim administrative support for the PHSJCC Develop a funding proposal to seek financial assistance for HSJCC-affiliated ministries | <p>Motion made by Vicky Huehn and seconded by Joan Dervin for the Provincial HSJCC to direct the Steering Committee to amend the terms of reference to align the PHSJCC with the proposed restructured design, to determine interim secretarial support, and to develop a funding proposal for financial assistance. Carried. One abstention.</p> <p>Katie will send a memo to the Local and Regional HSJCCs regarding the motion and the</p> |

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| 9. Meeting Adjournment | Next Meeting Dates are confirmed as: 2012 September 20 2013 November 13 2013 January 16 | Motion to adjourn by 2:43pm. |