



WW Regional Human Services and Justice Coordination Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: December 2, 2016

Time: 9:00 – 11:00am

**Location: 200 Maple Grove Rd., WRPS Headquarters
Boardroom**

Present: Don Roth, Neta Gear, Karl Reimer, Douglas Sheppard, Janos Botschner, Mary-Jo Shearer, Toby Harris, Joan Nandlal, Tara Hyatt

Regrets: Angela Vanderheyden, Christin Barraco, Diane Lillico, Heather Kerr, Jim Izzard, Kerry Manthenga, Kristen Eidse, Linda Elliott, Pam McIntosh, Rhonda Frank, Rob Martin, Sherri Heimpel-Peers, Tina Gaspardy, Tom Gill, Kathleen Reid

Recorder: Catherine Bassarab

| Item for Discussion | | Discussion |
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| 1. Welcome, Introductions | Don Roth Joan Nandlal | Agenda accepted as presented Minutes of September 16, 2016 accepted by consensus. Round of Introductions |
| 2. Presentation on Acquired Brain Injury and Justice Issues | | Deferred to 2017 due to scheduling challenge. This is an important document which we expect to be central to the next meeting. |
| 3. HSJCC Survey Results | Don Roth Joan Nandlal | <p><i>Hand-out: WW HSJCC Summary of HSJCC Surveys in Waterloo Wellington, Nov 2016 and Reporting Structure for Provincial HSJCC – Presented November 2015</i></p> <p>It is a good juncture to review and assess the system and membership of our three coordinating committees. Fifteen completed the survey; response could come from one member or one responding as a member of all committees. Just asking about the community and regional structures were not as favourable.</p> <p>Last November the Ministry had a discussion about the workplans review and reporting structure. One thing they reflected on was the aspect of the LHINs not really having a connection with the committees.</p> <p>The information at this table goes for review at the provincial level. Even the work at the local committee (adjusted Cambridge to local regional, one for Kitchener, one for Guelph) receives the same resources but attend at different meetings.</p> |



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| | <p>Suggested Improvements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ensuring the TOR and reporting principles are in place and greater action on goals. ○ This region is at the vanguard as leaders for other HSJCC's to use as a template. It is a good fit with the work that is being done. The LHIN is under redesign, but this is a defined role under provincial HSJCC. ○ Meeting quarterly seems to work; meeting provincially saw consolidated efforts and gains from each of the members. ○ Points <i>d, e, f, g</i> are opportunities to how we discuss and may mobilize resources to helpers. |
| <p>4. Update from Committee Partners</p> | <p><u>Traverse Independence</u>: Brain Injury Training is ongoing and funded by the WWLHIN. Training was provided to 200-300 people from Here 24/7 and hospitals. Lunch and Learns, full day and half day trainings and college accessibility course is being offered, as well as some case-to-case work with Justice.</p> <p>The mandate has shifted from knowledge and information exchange to casework. Due to the complexity of situations, there is a 4:1 staffing ratio. There is a need for partnering with justice DOSL.</p> <p><u>Waterloo Region Police Services</u> WRPS is looking for people with Mental Health Community Health Orders to partner with police and EMS worker to go out on warm phone calls to check in with identified persons. In two years, the program has worked exceedingly well as an enhancement to the Connect program. EMS is also interested in investing in one worker. The goal is to reduce repeat callers.</p> <p>The electronic mental health screening form is close to completion. It is a three-page form that populates in the police summary and EDI answers questions. It is a way to share indicators to assist decision-making. When completed, it is sent to hospitals immediately. The goal is to connect the person with a crisis worker, to enhance compliance rate, and expedite treatment. (up 8% in mental health this year – a 40% increase).</p> <p><u>Conestoga College</u> - Janos Botschner The college supports student involvement in community projects to assist in areas such as infographics, media and design, and research. Initiatives with 4-6 people or a team with set goals and objectives can be submitted, and planning needs to start in the spring to prepare for September session. If there is an EMG project for example, connect with students. The college would support people in pitching their work.</p> |



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| | <p><u>Youth Justice</u>: Open Custody has 3 beds open. More diversion services are needed with more flexibility. Could there be a blended treatment? How can mixed populations be managed? The Ministry was asked to open transition beds to stabilize the person until accommodation could be found. The Ministry is currently asking how to redirect funds?</p> <p><u>Probation and Parole</u>: The SNAP program in downtown Hamilton was a huge benefit as a contained area, and the courts are actively getting persons involved directly with a support person for their needs.</p> |
| <p>5. New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWHSJCC Work Plan and Budget 2016-2017: Review of <i>Open Minds, Health Minds Vision; Strategic Pillars and Statements</i>. What are our initiatives, and what needs to happen? <p>Opioid Education Workshop Event Workplan: Training and professional development: Opioids, Dec 2016-March 2017 \$2,500. Supports the venue, expectantly booked for 350 service providers.</p> <p><i>Hand-out: Opioid Education Workshop sponsored by HSJCC, WRIDS, WRPS</i> An Opioid Forum is being held on December 16, 2016 from 8:30am–12:00pm at Bingeman’s Centre in Kitchener. A range of speakers will address the community on the risks and responder aspects of opioids/fentanyl and its escalating impact, such as overdoses. The use of Naloxone.</p> <p>MOTION: To set forth \$2,500 to be spent for the upcoming Opioid Training. Moved by Douglas Sheppard / Seconded by Joan Nandlal Motion carried.</p> <p>Crystal Methamphetamine Harm Reduction booklet Workplan: Knowledge Translation and Exchange: Crystal Meth booklet, March 2017 \$1,500. Guelph HSJCC approved \$1,500 to support the publication. The total cost estimate is currently \$3,000.</p> <p>Potential Initiatives for consideration The following suggestions were put forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ways to use electronic versions for personal devices; Online Application for Early Childhood |



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| | <p>Educators; Opportunity to translate to several languages; Edit content of hard-copy and electronic versions as they may differ.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SNAP Social Navigator Assistance Program: collaboration and reporting, timeline of April-June 2017. ○ Brian Injury Support Workers ○ Transitional Housing Stability: to look at risk management issues, ie staff safety; significant barriers; drug strategy. There is a need to define the complexity, where capacity exists, the gaps and address the gaps. Lutherwood to endorse their community support of the project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting dates for 2017: Agreed that meetings be held on March 3, June 9, September 22 and December 1, 2017. |
| <p>6. Other</p> | <p>Inspector Doug Sheppard announced his retirement from Waterloo Region Police Services effective March 2017. On behalf of the Regional Human Service and Justice Coordinating Committee, Joan Nandlal thanked Doug expressing sincere appreciation and gratitude for the work that Doug contributed to this committee and its work. Doug made a signification contribution including providing leadership for police-mental health partnership work that has resulted in benefits to the community. She congratulated Doug and wished him well on his retirement.</p> |
| <p>7. Adjournment</p> | <p>Adjourned at 11:40 am</p> |

Next meeting: March 3, 2017 at WRPS Headquarters, 200 Maple Grove Road, Cambridge