

HUMAN SERVICES AND JUSTICE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE
CHAMPLAIN REGIONAL MEETING
MINUTES, March 5, 2013

In attendance:

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Regrets: Bryonie Baxter, Tania Breton, Gord Boyd, Lisa Davis, Donna Eastwood,
 Jacqueline Grenon, Lyne Lalande, Rick McInnes, Debbie Palmer, Gail Steeds,
 Michelle Veillette, Helen Ward, Dave Wood.

Guest : Rosanne Emard for Michelle Veillette.

1.0 Call to order, introductions, review and approval of minutes: *Jan 8/13*
 Minutes approved as circulated- Claudine Girault, seconded by Audrey Tedford.

2.0 Approval of Agenda & Additions
 Approved as circulated, no additions

3.0 Updates from Regional committees in Champlain District

Lanark County – Taylor Bowes

Receiving referrals from crown attorney and duty counsel. The Crown's breakfast is on Thursday which provides updates on mental health & court. There is formalized diversion; serving a great number of people. Working well with the Youth Mental Health Court Worker, some scheduling difficulties, do include Tri County Addictions in meetings
Action: Heather will invite Sheri – Youth Mental Health Court Worker to our May meeting.

Renfrew County – Lisa Davis: Sent regrets for meeting. No Report

Stormont/Dundas/Glengarry/Akwesane – Dave Woods: Sent regrets for meeting. No report

4.0 Updates

4.1 Youth Sub-Committee – T.Breton/H.Perkins-McVey

Terms of Reference has been circulated. Possible ideas youth justice collaborative to consider will be discussed. Youth stakeholder meeting was to have been held end of February but too many regrets so was cancelled.

YMHC – D. Eastwood: Donna sent regrets for meeting

4.2 Release from custody – J. Grenon:

At the last meeting they reviewed TOR and ironed out processes. Next meeting is April 11/13

4.3 Provincial HSJCC – J. Dervin

The meeting is next week. The call for abstracts for the conference went out so if anyone is interested in submitting, please do so. The title of this years conference is New Realities: *"The Changing World from Youth to Elderly in Human Services and Justice"* At the last provincial mtg there was discussion that there maybe agencies needing to be restrictive with their education and training budgets, if

someone foresees difficulty from their agencies to attend the conference let Joan know, the HSJCC will have a budget to help out.

4.4 Mental Health Court Committee – D. Roberts

Dave just started, and was surprised at the volume. There is a learning curve as to who should stay in MHC stream, the trend is to put cases into court without application, defense and crown would go over background and just send it without completing the application process.

The application form has more data on the form which gives the doctor and Crown more of an idea of what direction to go in order to service the individual. Dave has sent an email to staff and reminded them to complete the application.

There is currently a two week wait for beds and this is province wide. He will be given access to the bed registry. There were two people that needed fitness assessments one was sent to Waypoint and one to Kingston. With the new legislation this is not going to get better, there maybe bed blockages.

Joan stated that amendments to the Bill were discussed at recent FDG meeting and how dispirited everyone around table got the more they talked about it. Helen attended a meeting with a policy person representing CPA, and Schizophrenia Society was also represented Helen's impression was the policy people were not overly interested in the issues as identified, the amendments will be retroactive.

Provincial HSJCC is making a submission to Parliament, as is the Schizophrenia Society, CPA, and other networks and committees who work with mental health and justice. The major concern is the numbers of untreated persons living in correctional facilities or in the community, as the NCR route may not be an option.

There is a need for in custodial residency for alcohol/substance abuse for females. One defense attorney was trying to find such a spot, and the client decided to just plead. A female equivalent of STU is needed. It will be interesting to see what recommendations come out of the Ashley Smith inquiry.

4.5 Education Sub-Committee – H.Ward & committee

Sheila reported that a survey was circulated and items identified. One lunch and learn has been held, others are planned

Educational forums will be scheduled to share successes.

The first one is proposed for April 26th. The title is “Building a Mental Health and Justice community in Ottawa and Champlain” - a symposium learning from the rural experience, can we translate from small to complex systems? It would provide an opportunity for colleagues to do networking/partnering. After the presentation there would be Q&A with a moderator. It will be held the ROMHC auditorium, expecting 60-100 people to attend given the scope of the community. Taylor is the contact from Lanark.

Confirming presenters has been a problem, which Audrey is working. Will liaise with ROHCG Learning/Development to record for future use. Once everything is firmed up a “Save the Date” e-mail will be sent. A session may arise out of questions that were raised to answer them, an update. Colleen interested in coming to sub committee meeting.

Action: Send Colleen an invite to the sub committee

Audrey to confirm presenters

4.6 Service Collaborate:

Audrey, Tania, Gord and Dr. Motayne attended a knowledge exchange event in Toronto related to the Service Collaborative project. Good presentation in regards to the implementation/history of the project, learning from existing collaboratives. Of the 18 planned collaboratives, three are dedicated to Youth justice. CAMH Provincial Program Support assists communities to identify gaps to address. There is a high emphasis on implementation and evaluation on the gap in each community and how it was determined, less on how these collaboratives were

working. Joan reported on the Youth Justice Service Collaborative meet and greet held last week, invites were sent out to as many stakeholders involved in youth justice as possible, and there was a good turnout (25-30).

Discussion related to age arose, differing thoughts, the First Nations community service youth up to age 29, YCJA – 12 to prior to 18th birthday, transitional aged youth would be up to age 24.

A needs assessment will be done, identifying the gap will be an interesting discussion. If we identify a gap will we receive resources? Discussion about who owns the evaluation, CAMH evaluates the implementation.

Every jurisdiction in province does things differently, unsure if what is done in Champlain is transferrable elsewhere. The current Service Collaborative in Ottawa is looking at the youth transitioning to adult services. We need more questions answered by CAMH Prov. Programs Support. Will invite them back.

Discussion on how this committee should move forward in identification of gaps, projects. Claudine mentioned gaps for francophone's. It was decided to schedule a special meeting to brainstorm on gaps and prioritizing them and how it fits into our workplan. A meeting will be scheduled in April, each person on the committee will make a list of gaps, bring it to the meeting, we can discuss and prioritize and as a group we will agree on a top 4. We have no one from the First Nations community. Representative from Wabano said they would contact Joan in regards to sitting on this committee. At one time Odawa had someone in MHC, but that has not been continued? Joan will follow-up.

ACTION: Meeting to be scheduled n a Tuesday in April, 12:00 – 2:00. Ann will send out survey for most suitable date.

5.0 Work plan

Work plan needs to be reviewed and updated, current work plan expires 2013.

It was decided to review it after the special meeting in April once gaps have been identified for service collaboratives. It might be worthwhile to devote a meeting to program objectives which are identified in the Terms of Reference. Each committee member can go through it

individually, and make some recommendations. Action: The May meeting will be spent on the workplan. Everyone is to review and come to the meeting with recommendations.

6.0 Pamphlet

Heather reported she and Helen have to finalize it.

Action: Heather will contact Helen to set up a time before May.

7.0 Pressure Issues - Roundtable & Education – Report from Ottawa Local Committee

Sheila Deighton – Schizophrenia Society of Ottawa:

Sheila reported on the discussion forums. She and Paul McIntyre have been travelling through Champlain; facilitating forums in Lanark, Renfrew, SD&G, Prescott/Russell and Ottawa. A solution based forum was held on Feb 22, which was a family focused summit and included service providers and family members who attended from all regions and identified priorities for their area.

Paul is completing a report and he will be present it at the May meeting. Nine champions stepped forward to take on some of the issues that were identified in their community.

Transportation is a huge issue in rural areas. This committee recalled Dave Hart identifying the transportation issue in Lanark some time ago, which has resolved. Sheila and Paul will submit an abstract to present at the provincial conference.

Heather Perkins-McVey- Justice Ontario Courts:

Meets with Dave once monthly to discuss issues that come up.

Colleen MacPhee – The Ottawa Hospital, Mobile Crisis Team:

She plans to attend MHC one day to see how it operates. Mobile Crisis is not utilized as much as it used to be, will meet with stakeholders to review needs.

Sophie Lamontagne - CNSC

Sophie would be willing to be a representative for francophone needs. Education is one of their mandates in the network. Exploring the possibility of developing French tools, rather than translation.

Claudine Girault – Federal Crown

Claudine attended YMHC and spoke with Tania. There is a need for francophone services, when francophone issues arise they go to Claudine. Rosanne said that previously the representative from Montfort-Renaissance was attended YMHC when Tania called them, but due to lack of resources, this is much more difficult. They are working on how to provide services the door is not completely closed.

Rosanne Emard – Montfort-Renaissance:

Michelle has presented some of the efforts they've made to enhance the service to francophone's for mental health; they are in talks with Montfort to see if a psychiatrist could take on the follow-up. Met with Dr. Ward, no statistics have been captured on francophone needs; MHC could start capturing those numbers. People should have ready access to interpreters, should be standard to ask persons their language of choice. ROMHC has two fellows that are francophone, their fellowship finishes in Sept. so ROMHC capacity to deliver French language service will increase.

Audrey Tedford – CMHA:

Completed Accreditation with success. The Core team has been down 1 staff since last summer. There is no shortage of referrals, 19 clients were profiled 2 weeks ago, 11 last week, some relief came in but it will take a couple weeks to open gates again. Their MHC office moved, from # 3 to the interpreter room in # 8. It opened last clinic day and worked much better.

CMHA-Ottawa will be hosting the national CMHA conference next year in Ottawa, October 16/17/18. The focus will be on planning process for social determinates of health. They adopted the Ottawa model for smoking cessation, rolling that out. Large number of client deaths, 8 since Dec, very sporadic, young population, 38-45 unknown causes, died in their units, devastating to the team.

Daryl Grant – Probation/Parole, Central Office: no report

Laurie Larocque - OCDC

Laurie is new to OCDC and this committee. She is planning to have more in depth and regular dialogue with corrections, regarding providing service to the mental health population. Would like to improve how mental health issues are approached in the institution. Joan will check if the webinar related to communication with correctional

facilities has been recorded, and send link it to Laurie. She is hopeful she can increase mental health staff at OCDC.

Action: Joan

Joan Dervin - ROMHC

Currently we are carrying a wait list. Domino effect from inability to discharge Rehab clients.

Forensic has received some funding from the ministry for outpatient services; we will add 1.5 FTE to support NCR clients in the community.

The Province has now funded every forensic program for transition rehab funding similar to what we have. Brockville now has 4 beds.

Joan is hopeful that within the year we may see more funding for expansion for that TRHP.

Roseanne asked the question if there were plans to open a TRHP dedicated to French speaking clients. Grove can provide service in French, but programming is in English no one knew of any such plan.

8.0 Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 7, 2013, 12-2pm – Crown's Boardroom
Ryan Fritsch – Policy Counsel from LAO will attend.