

**CHAMPLAIN HUMAN SERVICES AND JUSTICE**  
**Coordinating Committee (HSJCC) Meeting Minutes**  
**Date: March 26, 2019**

| <b>HSJCC Position</b> | <b>HSJCC Member</b>           | <b>R</b> |  |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|
| Regional Chair        | Joan Garrow                   | x        |  |
| Regional Vice-Chair   | Justice Heather Perkins-McVey | x        |  |
| Regional Secretary    | Natasha Kelly                 | x        |  |

| <b>LOCAL HSJCC Representative</b> | <b>Chair/Co-Chair/Delegate</b>      | <b>R</b> |   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|---|
| Renfrew County                    | Cheryl Summers (via teleconference) |          | x |
| SD&G/Prescott-Russell/Akwesasne   | Johanne Renaud                      | x        |   |
| Ottawa                            |                                     |          |   |

| <b>Justice</b>   |  | <b>R</b> |   |
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| Federal Crown  | Christa Record                           |          | x |
| Provincial Crown   |  |          |   |
| Duty Counsel   | Jessica Adley                            |          | x |
| DCAO Defense Counsel   | Sarah Starkie                            |          | x |
| Correctional Service Canada (MCSCS)                              | Tia Wilt                                 |          | x |
|  | Lucie Payant                             |          | x |
| Ottawa West Probation and Parole Services Area Manager           | Megan Schell (Vicki Quesnel in place of) | x        |   |
| Ottawa West Probation and Parole Services Assistant Area Manager | Dave Fagan                               |          | x |
| Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre                                 | Francine Poulin                          |          | x |
| Ottawa Police Service  | Holly Watson                             | x        |   |
| Ottawa Police Service/OYJSN                                      | Jessica Ripley                           | x        |   |

| <b>Ministry of the Attorney General</b> |                      | <b>R</b> |   |
|---|----------------------|----------|---|
| Crown Attorney                          | Marie Dufort (Adult) |          | x |
|   | Dave Roberts (Youth) |          | x |

| <b>Health</b>                     |                                | <b>R</b> |   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------|---|
| The Ottawa Hospital               | Mary Kelleher                  | x        |   |
| CMHA                              | Lisa St. Pierre                | x        |   |
| Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre | Jean-Laurent Domingue          |          | x |
|                                   | Dr. Joel Watts                 |          | x |
| John Howard Society               | Kelly Cardinal                 |          | x |
|                                   | Jan Goatcher                   |          | x |
| Elizabeth Fry Society             | Sarah Davis                    |          | x |
| Montfort Renaissance              | Steve Vachon                   | x        |   |
|                                   | Charles-Etienne Legare-Rouleau | x        |   |
| Acquired Brain Injury – LHIN      | Suzanne McKenna                | x        |   |
| LHIN                              | Kevin Barclay                  |          | x |
| Valor & Solutions                 | Aisha Stambouli                | x        |   |
|                                   | Liz Kacew                      |          | x |
| Rideauwood                        | Andrew Mendes                  |          | x |

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|-----------------------|-----------------|---|---|
| CAMH                  | Leslie Wells    | X |   |
| Schizophrenia Society | Sheila Deighton |   | X |

| Youth                 |                             |   | R |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Youth Services Bureau | Melanie Bania               |   | X |
|                       | Crystal Black               |   | X |
| Youturn               | Kathy Neff                  |   | X |
| Youth Now             | Mark Arnold (via telephone) | X |   |

#### 1.0 Call to Order, Introductions, Approval of Agenda & Additions

- Agenda approved as circulated.

#### 2.0 Review and Approval of Previous Minutes: January 29, 2019

- Minutes approved as circulated.

#### 3.0 Presentation – City of Ottawa Housing System Working Group, 10 Year Plan Report (Erin Bell)

- Erin Bell from the City of Ottawa presented on the city's 10 year housing plan currently in effect. The plans are required by provincial legislation. There are three priority areas which include ensuring everyone has a home, ensuring people get the support they need, and working with community partners. The plan is being called a refresh. The plan will build on the positives that are happening and the outcomes hoping to be achieved are being looked at. Resources are being looked at where they are needed to be shifted or added. A draft is being worked on, a refresh plan which will be submitted in October of this year.
- Persons with lived homelessness experience are being looked for to contribute.
- Differentiating urban vs. rural is not being looked at this time.
- The goal is for everyone to have a place to call home and have appropriate and adequate housing.
- E. Bell will circulate the final copy when completed.

#### 4.0 Membership – Person with Lived Experience (Joan Garrow)

- J. Garrow recommends the committee support and engage someone with lived experience. The person in mind is a 44 year old who is well educated, who experienced a major depressive disorder well into his 40's and was charged due to violent episodes. He has an absolute discharge and now puts his energy into committees like this. There is room in the budget to support this person attending meetings. It was suggested to advise this person that there is a possibility that there will be workers in attendance that he has come into contact with before, otherwise all at the table agreed to the new membership.

#### 5.0 Provincial Highlights (Joan Garrow)

- The work plan for the year was reviewed. There are 23 activities in the work plan which are clustered into 3 categories.
- Provincial projects – The Housing and Justice Forum is coming up, the red bag/envelope is in the works to be rolled out across the province.
- It was successful in getting the local committees on the provincial committee.

- The Housing Health and Justice COI report was circulated by J. Garrow previous to the meeting. The date of discharge being dependent on the client receiving ODSP was discussed. A webinar on the subject will be held on Thursday at 11:00.
- There is funding attached to the Collaborative Crisis Response Model.
- The committee is worried about sponsorship for the provincial conference with the new government.
- There is an ongoing project exploring communication issues between MAG and MCSCS. There was a discussion on how HSJCC can engage and promote information sharing. The use of situation tables was discussed where filters are used to determine the level of danger or if a person is in imminent danger and if intervention is required. It was noted that specific training with McMaster University is required to be able to sit at the table in Cornwall and SD&G. Online training is available.
- The People's Health Care Act is in limbo with the new government.
- Tiny homes project is ongoing in the North.
- How to support people released from custody was discussed. Currently there is a trailer located on jail property in Toronto for people to stop at to receive help with services.

## 6.0 Work Plans

### 6.1.1 SD&G/Prescott-Russell/Akwesasne (Johanne Renaud)

- There has been difficulty with member engagement. The provincial platform is being used to keep all local information there. Recruiting and developing an orientation package for new members is being worked on.
- Developing a Mental Health Court is ongoing.
- Develop protocols for situation table and pre-charge diversion table is ongoing. People are not using the pre-charge diversion program, the number of referrals has been very low. There has been lots of education done in the hopes it will catch on.
- Developing pamphlets on pre-charge diversion is being worked on. **Action:** J. Renaud will circulate next meeting.
- The plan is to support attendance to a training event on mental health, dual diagnosis and hoarding.
- The committee will review the local's structure and ToR.
- The hope is to send a few people to provincial conference. J. Renaud has submitted two abstracts.
- It was noted that further funding requests can be brought to the regional table for approval.

### 6.1.2 Champlain Regional (Joan Garrow)

- A survey prioritizing initiatives was sent out, however there was not a huge response.
- The hope is to engage the provincial secretariat in September to conduct a visioning exercise.
- Ensuring optimal meeting accessibility is being worked on to improve engagement, the use of OTN for example.
- The committee will facilitate attendance to the provincial HSJCC conference. The number of submissions accepted will be tracked.
- The committee has expressed interest in having a joint education session with youth justice.
- The expectation is for everyone at the regional table join a working group/sub-committee. **Action:** Send a list of sub-committees/working groups and ask for members to join.

### 6.1.3 Renfrew County (Joan Garrow for Cheryl Summers)

- The committee will focus on local meetings and participating in regional meetings.

- The committee will participate in training and education sessions.
- The committee will develop court diversion protocols and plans.

#### **7.0 Updates (Heather Perkins-McVey)**

- The expanded (early intervention treatment) drug court is at the fine-tuning stage. It is for those looking at a short jail sentence and the end result would be a stay or withdrawal of the charge. The client would enter a 12-16 week program delivered through Rideauwood. The goal is to expand access to drug treatment. The soft launch will be in April. The ToR is being developed.
- What clients do with pets while in treatment was questioned. It was noted that Cornwall currently has an agreement with SPCA. **Action:** Add item to work plan to develop a process.
- The therapy dog program is expanding due to its success. They will be in drug treatment court and MHC. The program involves licensed volunteers. A suggestion was made that support for volunteers could come from the HSJCC budget. **Action:** J. Garrow and H. Perkins-McVey will work on an abstract presentation on the therapy dog program for the HSJCC conference.

**8.0 Next Meeting: May 28, 2019, 12:00 p.m.**