



**Downtown Toronto Human Services and Justice  
Coordinating Committee (DT-HSJCC)  
Meeting Minutes  
September 13, 2018  
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Old City Hall, Room 14**

**Present:** Katie Almond (Co-chair) Riverdale Probation and Parole; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Esther Daniel, Judiciary; Natasha Bartlett, Fred Victor; Rhona Zitney, Fred Victor/JC; Scott Skinner, Toronto Network of Specialized Care; Jim Purvis, Salvation Army, College Park; Crystal Sinclair, Toronto Bail Program; Laura Klaehn, Probation and Parole; Stephanie Gloyn, PSSP/CAMH; Marianne Quirouette; University of Toronto; Flora Matheson, Centre for Urban Health Solutions; Robb Johannes, Fred Victor; Debbie Lynch, CTYS; Amber Kellen, JHS Toronto; Tiffany Taylor, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario; Justin Resurreccion, Probation and Parole/Anti Guns and Gangs Unit

**Regrets:** Susan Davis (Co-chair), Gerstein Centre; Gord Reid, Toronto Police Service; Charlene Crews, Toronto Community Housing; Erin Hann, Youthdale Treatment Centres; Steve Manuel Salvation Army, Maxwell Meighen; Chris Persaud, Habitat Services; Jennifer Altosaar, Toronto Network of Specialized Care; August Bonomo, Toronto Police Service; Michael Lyster, Strachan House; Oluremi Adewale, Toronto Public Health

**Welcome and Introductions**

Everyone introduced themselves

**Review of May 3, 2018 Minutes**

The minutes of May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 were approved.

**Review Action Items:**

Reviewed and completed

**Presentation: *Assessing and Treating People with Brain injury in the Mental Health Diversion Program: A Collaboration with Fred Victor with Robin Green, PhD, CPsych and Mary Boulos, MSc Candidate, U of T.***

- Presentation slide decks will be circulated.
- Overview of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
- TBI and the Criminal Justice System
- Impact of TBI on Prison Health Services

- Needs in criminal justice system regarding TBI
- Collaborative Program for TBI with Fred Victor – referral were made from MH Diversion worker at Fred Victor.
- Neuropsychological Assessment – results used to triage client to determine eligibility for therapy
- Themes discussed: Challenges of Probation and Parole Officers regarding clients with TBI. If you require more information or opportunities for collaboration: Please contact Mary Boulos at 416-597-3422 x 7332 or [mary.boulos@uhn.ca](mailto:mary.boulos@uhn.ca)

Robin Green and Mary Boulos were thanked for their informative presentation.

### **Lunch and Learns**

Members were asked to submit their three priority topics from the twelve areas that were identified regarding what they want to know more about. Discussion ensued and the following four topics in order of priority were selected. Please note that the workplan goal is to have three Lunch and Learns for the fiscal year.

1. Managing Trauma, Grief and Loss
2. Changing Bail Practises/Breach of Bail/Probation (due to the Antic case ruling)
3. Seniors and Justice
4. Overdoses Update – including crystal meth
5. City of Toronto Housing Resources

Domenica Dileo will follow up on Lunch and Learn logistics. If you have a suggestion for presenter on these topics, please inform Domenica.

### **Toronto HSJCC Service Resolution Project**

Stephanie Gloyn provided the background of the Toronto Service Resolution Project in partnership with the Toronto Regional HSJCC.

For the past several years the Toronto Regional HSJCC has supported the work of the Complex Care sub-committee to address system barriers for people involved with the justice sector who face multiple challenges due to system barriers. Taylor Newberry Consulting was hired. They produced a report and recommendation (May 2015).

For the past year Rhona Zitney was hired as the Justice Coordinator. She attended various tables and provided education and support regarding complex issues and the justice system. A report of the Toronto Service Resolution Project will be coming out addressing what has been learned and looking at creating options. Further discussion will take place at the next DT-HSJCC meeting.

Themes discussed: Current tables do not address long term strategies. Pilot a service resolution table? Look at the Northwest Center of Responsibility (formerly known as the NWR-HSJCC) transitioning their HSJCCs by incorporating principles of the Hub/Situation Table model into its structure. Do we need to do a SWOT or cost benefits analysis?

Domenica Dileo to circulate the webinar link of the Provincial HSJCC webinar on the Northwest Community Mobilization Network and the Taylor Newberry report.

### **Agency/Organization Updates**

Amber Kellen reported that the John Howard Society of Toronto (JHS-T) is seeking standing in the inquest into the death of Bradley. They are working with lawyers at the law firm of Daniel Brown LLP to this end. The firm applied for Test Case Funding from Legal Aid Ontario. They will hear back about the application in the coming weeks.

Chapman. Mr. Chapman died in hospital on August 26, 2015 after being found unresponsive on the street one week earlier. The investigating coroner concluded that the death was an accident and a consequence of respiratory and central nervous system depression caused by acute mixed drug toxicity from cocaine, methamphetamine and opioids. Mr. Chapman had been homeless for two decades and struggled with drug dependency. He had been in and out of custody, released most recently on July 3, 2015. The Coroner exercised his discretion to call an inquest into the deaths of Mr. Chapman and another man, Grant Faulkner, who died after his makeshift shelter caught fire. These are the first inquests into the deaths of homeless people in over a decade.

The coroner's inquest into the death of Bradley Chapman is scheduled to proceed the weeks of November 26 and December 3, 2018.

### **Service Resolution/Coordination Issues**

Deferred to the next meeting

### **Updates from T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC**

The next T-HSJCC meeting will take place on October 31, 2018.

### **Actions**

- Domenica Dileo to circulate PowerPoint presentations slide decks.
- Domenica Dileo to circulate the webinar link of the Provincial HSJCC webinar on the Northwest Community Mobilization Network and the Taylor Newberry report.

**Presenter for next meeting:** Flora Matheson on the TBI project within the forensic and correctional system.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, November 1, 2018 at Old City Hall, 60 Queen St. West, Room 14 from 8:30 a.m. -10:00 a.m.

