

# Durham Regional Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (HSJCC)

Funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care



## **HSJCC History**

- Established based on the *Provincial Strategy to Coordinate Human Services and Criminal Justice Systems in Ontario* (1997)
- Responding to a recognized need in the province to coordinate resources and services, and plan more effectively for people who are in conflict with the law
- Priority consideration is for people with a serious mental illness, developmental disability, acquired brain injury, drug and alcohol addiction, and/or fetal alcohol syndrome
- Committees were generated as a cooperative effort between the Ministries of the Attorney General, Community and Social Services, Health and Long-Term Care, and Community Safety and Correctional Services.



# **Primary Interest of the Committees**

- 1. To provide a planning table to bring together service providers to find solutions to the problem of the criminilzation of people with the defined unique needs, and;
- 2. To develop a model of shared responsibility and accountability in dealing with this group of individuals at points of intersection with the justice system.

Regional Committees were established to coordinate communication and service integration planning between health, criminal justice, and developmental service organizations within specific regions.

The Provincial Committee consists of regional chairs and Ministry representatives, has been developed as a provincial planning body.



### **Durham Regional HSJCC**

#### Overall Goals and Key Commitments

- To meet Provincial HSJCC objectives and support the mandate.
- Help create solutions to enhance the system. Increase Durham Regional HSJCC Membership with diverse (system) representation and key players on the committee who have connections with other key players.
- To create a better understanding of the different systems and services. Collaboration of stakeholders to bring about change for quality care and services provided



#### **Durham Regional HSJCC**

#### Membership at the Table Includes:

- Durham Mental Health Services
- Lakeridge Health and Pinewood
- Durham Family Court Clinic
- Ministry of Attorney General Victim Witness Assistance Program
- Ontario Court of Justice
- Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services
- Canadian Mental Health Association Durham
- Ministry of Child and Youth Services Ajax
- Toronto Bail Program (Oshawa)
- Central East LHIN
- Ministry of Child and Youth Services Oshawa
- Ontario Shores



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#### Membership at the Table Includes (cont.):

- Central East Correctional Centre
- John Howard Society
- Ministry of Safety and Correctional Services Durham East
- Legal Aid Ontario
- Central East Correctional Centre
- Durham Regional Police Services
- Local Law Association Representation (Lawyer)



#### **Contact Information**

For more information about the HSJCCs, and to access our reports, related resources, events and meeting minutes visit: <a href="https://www.hsjcc.on.ca">www.hsjcc.on.ca</a>

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