Essex County Human Services & Justice Coordinating Committee (HSJCC)

Meeting Minutes September 8, 2014 - 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm CMHA - LEMR

In Attendance: Andrew Jackson, Erin Flanney for /Adam Vasey, Elizabeth Brown, (via telephone) Diane O'Brien, Dr. Raj Basker, Jan Bedard, Jeanie LaForge, Joel Furlotte, Lana Strain, Lani Gilkes, Nathan Desessarro, Mary Lou Dolan, Naty Ramirez-Reyes, Renae Hill, Skip Graham, Sue Benko, Theresa Ouellette-Klein,

Regrets: Kaitlyn McCabe, Mary Wilson, Maurice Keidan, Tara Reid

Recorder: Cathy Ducharme

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm

1) Welcome and Introductions:

Renee Hill - Can Am was introduced and welcomed

2) Review Minutes of June 2, 2013 and Outstanding Action Items:

Correction to the minutes of June 2/14: Add Marilyn Weller to the list of members who forwarded regrets

• Action Item #1: High Risk Clients

The High Risk Review Committee is in the process of finalizing the Terms of Reference and Release of Information documents. The committee is waiting for the legal department at HDGH to provide feedback.

• Action Item #2: Coast (To be tabled in December when COAST is present)

A gap has been identified when a Form 2 is received at the hospital. The narrative portion of the Form 2 is not attached when it is being submitted. The COAST team met with Justice Hoffman regarding this gap. Justice Hoffman sent an email outlining that the narrative should be a part of the client's chart. There have been no objections to date.

A question was raised to the COAST team. Can there be some type of communication to ED?

<u>ACTION</u>: COAST to follow up with the Morality Unit to ensure this happens. This Action item will be tabled at our meeting in December.

Action Item #3: HSJCC Website (Deferred until December)

Minutes approved as written.

3) Committee Updates:

Youth Mental Health Court:

Naty announced that she is leaving her current position, as Youth Mental Health Court Coordinator, and moving into a Management position at the Regional Children's Centre-Hotel Dieu Grace Health Care. At this time an active search for her replacement is ongoing and the hope is to have someone in place by the first week of October. Once this is finalized Naty will be sending out an announcement. Until then Naty will continue to be the contact person for youth mental health court matters.

Crown:

The Crown has applied to the Attorney General for dollars to deal with domestic violence however it was rejected. The plan is to follow the London model.

Salvation Army:

Will be giving a tour and an onboarding session. Stay tuned for more details as they are still in the infancy stages.

SWDC:

All inmates are now moved over to the new facility.

Windsor-Essex County Drug Strategy:

Has had three recent graduates.

Funding runs out at the end of the year; therefore they are looking for new funding opportunities.

CMHA:

CMHA Justice staff have received clearance to the SWDC premises.

Southern Network of Specialized Care:

Sue brought a few additional copies of the Dual Diagnosis Flyer.

CMHA-Chatham:

The Release from Custody staff will be in Windsor twice per week from 2:00pm-5:00pm. Forward any referrals you may have.

Mental Health Connection:

A 12 week Family to Family Education Program will be offered beginning September 16/14. The program is for families of persons with a mental illness. The focus is treatment of mental illness and provides knowledge and skills to assist family members to cope more effectively during rehabilitation.

Legal Aid:

Since our last meeting the Legal Aid has hired a new bail person.

Crown:

Lisa Defoe is no longer on the team. Her replacement is Ilana Mizel. The Crown will introduce her at our next meeting.

Dan Topp will be acting in his new role.

ACTION: Cathy to update distribution and committee lists.

CAN-AM:

The newest member of our committee is Renee Hill. Renee noted that there is a need for programs in this community. The workers at Can-Am are extremely tapped with 50 on their caseload. It was recommended that Renee also take part in the 672 Subcommittee meetings; however time may be an issue.

The Lease has been signed for the new Mental Health Clinic at 744 Ouellette Avenue. Completion should be 4 to 5 months.

5) NEW BUSINESS:

Regional Report:

An update will provided hopefully in December.

Medical Coverage at SWDC:

A new NP will be starting, a Mental Health Nurse, Family Doctor, Psychiatrist and Nursing Staff is available. Possibly down the road a psychologist will be hire.

<u>ACTION:</u> Diane will provide the name of the psychiatrist

A discussion regarding transportation for inmates that have been released began. How much thought has been given to transportation for visitation? What happens when someone is released? They are being driven to Walker Rd. at Cosco to be able to access bus routes.

<u>ACTION</u>: Marilyn asked Diane to find out what and if there is a plan for improved transportation.

<u>Updates - Annual Workplan:</u>

Our goals for education can be included in the Workplan for 2014-2015.

Budget Requests:

Budget requests will fit in with our Workplan.

HSICC Website:

The committee was encouraged to take a look at the website as there are many education opportunities available.

Report from HSICC Training Subcommittee:

The Committee is requesting money to put on some training that is relevant to all partners. Perhaps the OPP could assist with consistent High Risk Analysis Training. Hopefully we could get an estimate on cost from Sherry. Recommended to review printed material (ie.. Navigating the Criminal Justice System).

Meeting adjourned at 2:20pm

8) Next Meeting Date and Location:

Monday December 1, 2014 CMHA 1400 Windsor Avenue 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm