

MINUTES

Human Service and Justice Coordinating Committee

Thursday, October 22, 2015

12:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Present:

Chair: Terry McGurk

Co-Chair: Dennis DeSalvo (absent)

Recording Secretary: Sandra Rodwell

Robert Cosby
Fraya Mortensen
Vanessa Heaney
Kim McCallum
Naomi Henderson
Todd Norman
Liane Taylor

Sandra Kurdziel
Marilyn Jewell
Gene Uchids
Wil vanDokkumburg
Allison Hibbett
Jill Pollock
Nancy Falls

Lisa Whittingham
Greg Tedesco
Tom Bennett
Heather Padgett
Fiona Kouyoumdjian
Jennifer Johnston
Barb Benedict

Regrets:

Jenn Sansalone
Keith Anderson
Deirdra Burke
John Whyte

Antonio Stanissa
Tom Archer
Olenka Allison
Brent Browett

Heather Saunders
Kristen Emery

1. Welcome and Introductions

Lisa Whittingham joins the committee, replacing Keith Anderson, and Todd Norman replaces Craig Fraser.

2. Review and Adoption of Minutes – September 24, 2015

Minutes were approved by Wil vanDokkumburg, and seconded by Fraya Mortensen.

3. Agenda

- **Presentation by Nancy Falls, Thrive Child and Youth Trauma Services:
*Sexual Offence and Behaviors with Youth***
- **Update on Provincial Conference/Prov. HSJCC information**
 - There are currently 27 registrants for the upcoming Provincial Conference. If you have not yet registered but would still like to attend, please contact Terry.

- The Province is tightening processes governing regional and local committees, and is looking to prioritize objectives. A SWOT analysis for our Hamilton HSJCC identifies:

Strengths:

- Having a stable, long-term committee chair
- ABI Working Group
- Facilitating support for detention centres
- CTO's – possibly highest use in the Province, effective tool to engage clients in care when all other interventions have been exhausted
- Reduction in ER waits for officers
- Meet regularly (monthly)
- Mood disorder rep

Weaknesses:

- Detention Centre representation has been weak
- Long wait lists for services in the community

Opportunities:

- Re-involvement with detention centre
- Presentations
- Situation table
- Dual diagnosis report > available on Provincial website

Threats: None identified

- The LHIN 4 Regional committee identifies the top 3 priorities for our area as:
 1. Ongoing supportive housing for those with behavioral issues
 2. CTO's
 3. Psychiatric consultation and follow-up.
- Re: CTO's: Fiona stated that less coercive methods are preferable to guide people toward treatment FIRST, and if that doesn't work, then CTO's should be utilized.
- There was discussion on the CTO's as it relates to clients who are incarcerated. Liane consulted Dr. Ferencz, and his understanding is that the detention centre never treats people against their will

while they are in custody. She also consulted Dr. Chaimowitz, and he expressed that the person under a CTO while in custody must be transported to hospital for treatment (if refusing treatment), and then returned to custody.

- Fiona asked for clarity on this issue re a legal obligation to continue treatment if the client refuses; does the jail have to send people to hospital? Liane agreed to clarify further.
 - Barb said that the detention centre wouldn't always know if a person was on a CTO when they went into custody. Heather P. asked if the superintendent could be added as a party to the CTO.
 - Barb to explore this question with super intendant at HWDC as the detention center is moving forward on some policy changes and will get back to the committee re next month: CTO's being continued while in detention centre.
- **Review of Old Cases**
 - **New Cases**
 - **Additions to the Agenda**
 - No additions were made to the agenda.
 - We ran out of time, so no update was given on MCRRT.

4. Next Meetings:

- Thursday, November 26, 2015
Presentation by Brad Cotton: *Situation Tables*
- Thursday, December 17, 2015