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Hamilton Local Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee

Thursday, June 27, 2019, 12:15 p.m. (Lunch)
12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. (Meeting)

CMHA Office Building, 131 John St. S, Third Floor Board Room

Present:

Kathryn Lanza, COAST, Co-Chair	Satar Wahidi, COAST Program Manager
Clara Menegaldo, New Recording Secretary	Sherry Lewis, Assisting Recording Secretary
Angela DiMarco, HWDC	Angela Ethelston
Ben Millard, CTO Coordinator	Emily Smith, Notre Dame House
Gene Uchida, Acquired Brain Injury Program	Helen Harris, HealthLinks
Ian Lockett	Jessica Montana, Aboriginal Court Worker
Karen McLeod, ACTT2	Liane Taylor, SJHH Forensic Services
Lina Caruso, Probation & Parole	Martha Harvie, DSO
Michelle Semonovitch, Mental Health Outreach Program	Salomeh Mohajer, HWDC
Sandra Kurdziel, Social Navigation Program	Steve Holmes, Hamilton Police Service
Craig Marenick, CMHA	Lenore Lukasik-Foss, Barrett Center
Braden Adsett, Guest	

Regrets:

Angela Isoki	Barb Benedict, Forensic Psychiatry Program
Danielle Newton, Contact Hamilton	Fiona Kouyoumdjian, GP, HWDC
Gale Melligan, CTO Coordinator	Heather Saunders, SJH Community Schizophrenia Integration Services
Lisa Gajewicz, John Howard Society of Hamilton, Burlington and Area	

Absent:

Alison Hibbett, Bethesda Services (Mat Leave)	Carrie Collier
Bryanne Smart	Craig Fraser, Crown Attorney
Donna de Jong, John Howard Society	Kimberley McCallum, GP
Jennifer Johnston, HWDC	Jennifer Sansalone, SJH Community Schizophrenia Integration Services
Keri Zammit, HWDC	Kimberley McCallum, GP
Kristen Emery, DSO	Lisa Whittingham
Michal Siekierski, Schizophrenia Service	Ruth Greenspan, John Howard Society
Sue Phipps, CMHA	Susan Boyd, Manager ADGS
Todd Norman, Crown Attorney	

- **Welcome and Introductions**

Kathryn Lanza welcomed everyone and went around the table to have everyone introduce themselves.

- **Review and Adoption of Minutes from May 23, 2019**

The minutes were reviewed and no changes were brought forward.

Steve Holmes approved the minutes and Karen McLeod seconded the minutes.

- **Additions to the Agenda**

- RAAM (Rapid Access Addictions Medicine) is celebrating their birthday. Lori Dunne, Manager of the RAAM Clinic, has requested funding from HSJCC. HSJCC has approved to supply funding.

- **Announcements**

- Provincial HSJCC 2019 Conference

- Nov. 4-6 in Toronto
- Colouring Outside the Lines—Innovations and Creative Community Responses
- Please let Kathryn know if you would like to attend. The cost of the conference will be covered but not the hotel or transportation costs. Spaces will be limited. Kathryn can send out link or just go to www.hsjcc.on.ca. There are not many details at this time.
- Also, requested abstract submission for poster presentation even though the date has passed.

- Human Trafficking Webinar will be held on July 4, 2019 at 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

- The information was sent via email to all members on June 28, 2019.

- Kathryn has reached out to Connect to present at the July 25, 2019 HSJCC Meeting.

- If you have any ideas or requests for future presentations, please feel free to suggest them to Kathryn.

- **Membership Engagement**

- Steven Holmes invited Lenore Lukasik-Foss of Barrett Centre back to the table.
- Kathryn invited Craig Marenick of CMHA back to the table.
- Welcome to Lenore & Craig.
- Susan Boyd of ADGS has accepted Kathryn's invitation to the HSJCC meetings.
- Michelle also suggested that Lesa Irish, Manager Alternative Justice Programs from Mission Services be invited to the table.

- **CTO Project Update**

Karen McLeod read report regarding results of the investigation conducted. The report is attached.

- The report revealed that there has been an increase in the number of people who are in the criminal justice system with severe mental health issues who need assistance. Members looking for possible solutions in order to reduce these numbers.
 - The report validated that HSJCC committee was beneficial in assisting these clients by looking for solutions in helping to provide better care.
 - The CTO presence increased an individual's cooperation with medical treatment and access to community services.
 - Community agencies were more confident in assisting risky individuals when CTO was involved.
 - Increased access to community services and receiving support.
 - Enforce Form 1 – A treatment plan to assist individuals with medication. They are given 2 choices to either take their medication or they will be reported.
 - Some benefits of individuals on CTO:
 - Police can assist the individual to see their mental health worker to continue with their treatment plan rather than readmitting them to the hospital or arresting them.
 - Decrease police interactions or individual becoming known to police which increases their risk of arrest.
 - If an individual is on a CTO, it may make a difference on the judge's decision when passing a sentence.
 - Individual who is incarcerated is more likely to be taken to the hospital to receive their injection which decreases their chances of becoming unwell.
 - CTO involved in discharge plan after incarceration for individuals with higher risk factors.
 - Decrease in administrative offences (breach of probation).
- Lisa will be writing to the Ethics Committee for changes.
 - Lisa is writing articles and making posters for CTO. If any group is attending a conference, let Lisa know. She can provide you with a poster to display at the conference regarding CTO services.
 - Advocate for CTO to be enforced for people who are incarcerated.
 - Suggestion was made to have a representative from HWDC Operations at the table. The process of handling individuals should be consistent.

- **Program Updates**

- Southern Network –
 - Alison Hibbett's representative will be starting on July 2nd.
- HWDC - 4 addiction nurses have been hired bringing the total to 6. There will be additional training for addiction nurses available.
 - Katrina, new Addiction Counsellor will be responsible for preparing the individuals discharge planning.
- A suggestion was made that Wayside be invited to table. HWDC has experienced some difficulty when transitioning people to Wayside.
 - The same procedure should be used for the whole institution.
 - Process should start with the nursing unit at HWDC with an assessment followed by a plan of care.
 - If you are not sure what to do, then contact someone you know at HWDC and they will direct you or fax referral to 905-523-7417.
- Correctional beds are at St. Joe's.
 - Correction officers will not be onsite.
 - 4 Forensic beds – delayed due to construction.
- Barrett Center – 5 new beds now available.
 - Accessible by COAST, MCRRT and frontline police.
 - There will be a 30 day follow-up after individual leave.

- **Case Reviews**

- 7 cases were discussed
- 0 new cases were opened
- 1 case was closed

- Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, July 25, 2019