

## Provincial Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: September 17, 2019

Co-Chairs, Policy Support, and HSJCC Secretariat

HSJCC Position	HSJCC Member	✓	R
Provincial Co-Chairs	Katie Almond	✓	
	Sara Dias	✓	
Policy Support (CMHA Ontario)	Christine Conrad	✓	
HSJCC Secretariat	Joseph Szamuhel, Project Manager	✓	
	Tasha Rennie, Communications & Engagement Officer	✓	
	Candace Vena, Network Coordinator	✓	
Web Support & CKE Committee Chair	Trevor Tymchuk	✓	

Regional HSJCC Representatives (Voting Members)

HSJCC	Chair, Co-chairs and Delegate	✓	R
Hamilton/Niagara/Brant/Haldimand/ Norfolk Regional	Trevor Tymchuk	✓	
Champlain Regional	Joan Garrow	✓	
Durham Regional	Christina Morino	✓	
Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes/Pine Ridge Regional	Jonathan Hewitt	✓	
Halton Regional	Francisco Truong		R
North East Regional	Kerri Grace	✓	
North West Regional	Mariah Maddock	✓	
	Jennifer Hyslop	✓	
Peel Regional	Shelly Schneider		R
Simcoe Muskoka Regional	Mary Martin	✓	
	Jean-Marc Pelot	✓	
South East Regional HSJCC	TBD		R
South West Regional HSJCC	Noelle Brady		R
	Michele Murray Smith – am only	✓	
Toronto Regional HSJCC	Steve Lurie		R
	Amber Kellen - am only	✓	
	Domenica Dileo	✓	
Waterloo-Wellington Regional HSJCC	Joan Nandlal		R
	Brooke Young	✓	
York-South Simcoe Regional HSJCC	Tricia Samaroo	✓	

Ministry Representatives (Ex-Officio)

Ministry	Representative	✓	R
Correctional Service Canada	Jennifer Gravelle	✓	
Ministry of Children, Community and	Julie Erbland		R
Social Services (MCCSS)	Zoe Kavoukian-Scharf	✓	
	Stephanie Tousignant	✓	
Ministry of the Solicitor General (SolGen)	Sue Khowessah	✓	



	Yoko Murphy	✓	
	Anjelina Mattai	✓	
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care	Dianna Cochrane	✓	
(MOHLTC)	Amy Herskowitz		R
	Kaitlin Yousef		R
Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG)	Rebecca Law	✓	
	Eric Siebenmorgen	✓	

Other Members (Ex-Officio)

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Other Members	Representative	✓	R
CMHA Ontario Division	Uppala Chandrasekera	✓	
Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)	Mary Tasz		R
Representation			К
Community Networks of Specialized Care	Lisa Holmes	✓	
Connex Ontario	Brad Davey	<b>✓</b>	
Legal Aid Ontario	AJ Grant-Nicholson	<b>✓</b>	
Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police	Bill Chantler	<b>✓</b>	
Ontario Provincial Police	Lisa Longworth	<b>✓</b>	
	Angie McCollum		R
Forensic Directors Group	Michelle Davidson	<b>✓</b>	
Centre for Addiction and Mental Health	Marla Banning	<b>✓</b>	
Justice for Children and Youth	Mary Birdsell	<b>✓</b>	
John Howard Society of Ontario	Safiyah Husein	✓	
	Jacqueline Tasca	<b>✓</b>	
Special Guest: Mental Health Commission	Marya Jaleel	<	
of Canada		•	
Observer: Probation and Parole Officer	Victoria Bain	✓	

## Summary of Action items from 17 September 2019

1	The Secretariat to draft a letter to Deputy Ministers of our partner ministries highlighting the most pressing
	issues that are impacting our clients.
	Trevor to follow up with regional representatives on login information for the HSJCC website forums.
3	The Secretariat to add an item for discussion on strategies for engaging with PWLE to a future P-HSJCC meeting agenda.

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	Minutes from P-HSJCC Meeting of September 17, 2019	
Item for Discussion	Discussion	
1) Welcome and Introductions	Elder Jimmy Dick joined the P-HSJCC for an opening ceremony.	
Opening Ceremony	Katie welcomed our new members Justice for Children and Youth and John Howard Society Ontario to the table. This was followed by a roundtable of introductions.	
	There are 11 voting members present.	
2) Consent Agenda	The Provincial HSJCC membership reviewed the consent agenda for the meeting of September 17, 2019.	
	MOTION: Joan G. motioned to approve the consent agenda, Amber seconded.	
3) 2019 P-HSJCC Conference Planning Updates	<ul> <li>The Secretariat presented on the projected conference budget, updated numbers and income shortfall options.</li> <li>P-HSJCC members were encouraged to push registration through their networks and partners</li> <li>Members were also encouraged to think of any potential sponsors and contact the Secretariat for follow up.</li> <li>In the event that we face a conference budget deficit, the P-HSJCC will have to evaluate options for reapportioning some of the discretionary items in the overall 2019/20 budget to cover any outstanding expenses. Potential options include a reduction in in-person meetings, or cancellation of proposed forums on housing and drug treatment courts.</li> </ul>	
4) CKE Committee Updates     • Website Forums	<ul> <li>Trevor provided an update from the CKE Committee:</li> <li>Website forums have now been set up. The first pilot will be for Regional and Local Chairs to share information, make connections between regions and identify challenges/solutions to issues etc.</li> <li>Regional representatives, administrative support persons, and regional &amp; local chairs will be provided with login information.</li> <li>Members will be able to opt in to receive notifications if you someone replies to one your questions in a thread. When a new post is made, you will not be sent a notification.</li> <li>This forum will not be actively moderated. There will be a reminder on client confidentiality when you log into the site.</li> </ul> ACTION: Trevor to follow up with regional representatives on login information for the HSJCC website forums.	
5) Presentation from Mental Health and Addictions Programs Branch, MOH	Ragaven Sabaratnam, Director and Karen Glass, ADM presented on the recent changes to their division in the Ministry of Health and its current priorities:  • Last October, a new branch was created – originally the Forensic, Mental Health and Justice Unit	

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	As of last week, there are now two new branches: 1) Mental Health and Addiction Programs Branch 2) Policy Branch. A note that the team Teams within each branch remain intact.
	<ul> <li>Ragaven shared insights on OHTs:</li> <li>In May interested potential Ontario Health Teams sent in self assessments. The MOH received over 250 assessments.</li> <li>31 OHTs have been invited to submit full applications which are due soon. It remains to be seen how many OHTs</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>will be accepted.</li> <li>The Ministry is taking a stewardship approach to this process - asking teams to tell them what they specifically need to serve their populations.</li> </ul>
	• For those who are not successful, there is a commitment to work with these teams to get them to an OHT level.
	Questions from the P-HSJCC:
	<ul> <li>1) As we moved away from LHINs, what will happen to the flow of funds?</li> <li>It will be a step wise process – in parallel will be figuring out how they handle LHINs and then what's left in the community that still needs to be funded</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>2) Where do MH&amp;A and justice fit into OHTs? What can we be doing to ensure that our population is served effectively?</li> <li>Advice is to continue to stay connected with OHTs and be a part of those conversations. They are looking to hear more from the community as the process unfolds.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>3) Can you to speak to child and youth mental health?</li> <li>Responsibility of C&amp;Y mental health transferred over to MOH. The plan is to maintain the lead agency model until the transformation is complete with OHTs. They want to ensure it is integrated across the lifespan. C&amp;Y mental health will be reflected in the budget moving forward.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>4) Are there no criteria as to what OHTs must include?</li> <li>OHT must provide primary care, home and community care, and mental health and addictions. It does not specify whether this includes child and youth care, mental health and justice clients etc.</li> <li>Teams will be expected to begin to serve all populations – this will be an added piece as teams progress. Advice is to make sure the need in your community is known to those OHTs.</li> </ul>

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	<ul> <li>Of the teams that are accepted, they will be looking at who can be a champion in terms of best practices. They can then mentor other OHTs who are formed after them.</li> </ul>	
	• The North felt Indigenous partners were not at the table and did not feel meaningfully engaged. There needs to be a note of this moving forward.	
	5) Police are struggling where to go to pitch their funding when they have a business plan with these health partners. Do they go to LHINs?	
	Advice is to continue to go to where you were before i.e. your LHIN	
	MOH's MH Strategy and Investments:	
	<ul> <li>The ministry engaged with stakeholders in community to guide the 2019 budget investments</li> <li>The investments went into community mental health services, acute mental health beds, supportive housing and mental health and justice services</li> </ul>	
	Follow up questions and comments from the table:  • There is a large population of marginalized populations that will not accessing services in the usual way through health care providers. We need to ensure it is not an afterthought.	
	<ul> <li>There is a concern that those with substance use issues and cognitive impairments may not have access to services these need as the providers are not typically at the table. There needs to be a formal way for the non-health organizations to be involved.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>It is not necessarily all about requesting funding – sometimes it is about changing legislation, cross ministry communication etc.</li> </ul>	
	There is a lot of overlapping issues and changes in other ministries aside from mental health issues that will impact our clients i.e. changes to ODSP program, reduction in budget to LAO etc.	
	Is there some way that the P-HSJCC can help the Ministry with some of these challenges?	
	<ul> <li>Yes, the ministry will continue to raise these concerns with their colleagues and share them with inter-ministerial tables. Please feel free to get in touch to share these concerns with the ministry.</li> </ul>	
6) Presentation: Survivors of	Dr. Sharpe presented on her work with survivors of homicide victims and mental health:	
Homicide Victims and Mental	The ripple effect on homicide violence is about 7-10 individuals impacted	
Health Project	<ul> <li>Current Gaps: very limited research to ACB, 2SLGBTQIA+ and Indigenous survivors of homicide victims and their experiences, coping strategies, mental, physical and spiritual health and service utilization</li> </ul>	

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	Christine provided some preliminary survey results:
	There were 87 responses from across the human services and justice sectors including ministry partners
	Survey respondents cover most of Ontario
	Most service providers serve ACB and Indigenous communities
	<ul> <li>The majority of respondents felt their organizations were not equipped to deal with survivors of homicide violence</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Cultural trauma, culturally responsive practices etc. were identified by respondents as practices they would like to hear more about.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The majority of respondents indicated there is a need for more services that support diverse populations experiencing homicide violence.</li> </ul>
	Next steps for this work:
	Present findings at upcoming P-HSJCC Conference     Develop a page at restured intensions guide.
	<ul> <li>Develop a semi-structured interview guide</li> <li>Conduct listening sessions across the province with service providers</li> </ul>
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	Comments from the P-HSJCC:
	It was noted that there is an offender-victim overlap. Often perpetrators of violence are also victims themselves and have significant trauma. This must be capture in the approach to care.
	There are some capacity challenges in the North West. It will be interesting to hear from service providers in the focus groups on what some of the unique challenges in that area.
7) Legal Aid Ontario Funding	Christine led a discussion on the impact of changes to LAO:
	<ul> <li>Criminal duty counsel will serve anyone in custody, but they can only serve legally and financially accepted clients who are out of custody.</li> </ul>
	• LAO still has dedicated services in bail courts, however in other courts they will only have duty counsel if they are financially eligible.
	If members have concerns on this, they should contact AJ as the rep from Legal Aid Ontario. They should also check for updates on LAO's website.
	• Legal Aid Ontario is currently doing a modernization review. They are hoping to get input from this table during consultations.

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	<ul> <li>Discussion: How can Local and Regional HSJCCs ensure the changes to LAO funding do not negatively impact clients?</li> <li>Niagara had a meeting specifically on the LAO issue. They decided to have service providers that were in the courts track some of these cases to provide anecdotal evidence on the impacts of the changes.</li> <li>Suggestion to other committees is to bring this up at their tables and have discussions on this.</li> <li>There was a suggestion to look at court diversion workers. They may need to take on some of these duties if duty counsel services are lacking.</li> <li>It is likely that clients will start turning to other justice professionals for support to help navigate the system and connect them to as much services as possible. These individuals cannot give legal advice but can give procedural advice.</li> <li>It is important to continue tracking these cases anecdotally.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>What next steps can the Provincial HSJCC take to ensure our clients receive adequate legal representation?</li> <li>Develop an advocacy letter</li> <li>Emphasize the cost savings for this government.</li> <li>There was a suggestion to draft a joint letter for our partner ministries that outline our top concerns. By addressing these things together, we encourage ministries to work together, breaking down silos.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Issues the P-HSJCC would like to include in letter:         <ul> <li>Housing, LAO changes, ODSP changes, protecting funding for our justice involved populations, focus on addictions with MOH.</li> </ul> </li> <li>ACTION: The Secretariat to draft a letter to Deputy Ministers of our partner ministries highlighting the most pressing</li> </ul>	
8) Community Justice Centres Update	<ul> <li>issues that are impacting our clients.</li> <li>Delia Greco and Michael Callahan from the Criminal Law Division at MAG provided an update on Justice Centres:         <ul> <li>There will be 4 centres will be operating across the province: Kenora, London, two in Toronto</li> <li>Each location will be conducting pilot projects each with a specific focus</li> <li>They are engaging in each community (not a needs assessments) to design the pilots.</li> <li>They are looking for approvals in October and for potential locations. The aim is to launch these pilots sometime in late fall, early winter</li> <li>When in the implementation stage, MAG will report back to the table.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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Item for Discussion	Discussion
9) Older Adults and the Justice System	<ul> <li>The launch date for the older adults project is set for October 1st. Kicking this work off with a webinar</li> <li>The navigational guidebook to follow shortly after this.</li> <li>The Local TO magazine is working on a story on older adults and the justice system featuring our guidebook.</li> <li>Release of pamphlets for older adults is scheduled for some time in 2020</li> </ul>
10) Issue Management Session:	<ul> <li>Stephen McCammon presented on privacy, mental health and information sharing in a correctional setting:</li> <li>Privacy is so critical to collaboration as it can help sectors partner to understand their purposes and align with one another.</li> <li>A key piece of the IPC's work is to provide guidance to institutions and health custodians on new programs and policies.</li> <li>Stephen noted that FIPPA and PHIPA prevail over other statutes.</li> <li>There is a lag in information sharing when someone is first admitted into correctional facilities with regards to mental health information. Individuals may be held on bail, short sentences, and MAG is not sharing this information fast enough.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Questions:</li> <li>Can corrections be better informed when making decision such as using segregation if they had access to a psychiatric report?</li> <li>There is not a legal barrier for correctional staff to receive this report from the courts to add to their files. The personal information must comply with the rules of FIPPA. Must put its use in context and whether it is considered useful when making decisions.</li> <li>It is so important to have the appropriate assessments done in a timely matter so that decisions on where an individual is placed within the facility is based on their needs and the safety of the institutions.</li> <li>Consent-based collection of information is always the way to go. The law recognizes that there are other avenues for personal health information and health information other than consent.</li> <li>Section 40 in PHIPPA is particularly helpful:</li> <li>A Health Care Information Custodian may disclose Personal Health Information about an individual where necessary to reduce significant risk of serious bodily harm to a person or group of persons or to assist a custodial institution in making decision concerning the following:</li> <li>Arrangements for the provision of health care to the individual</li> </ul>

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Item for Discussion		Discussion			
	<ul> <li>The placement of the individual into custody, detention, release or discharge, including conditional release discharge under acts including the Ministry of Correctional Services Act and the Criminal Code.</li> <li>It was noted that there needs to be some sort of protocol, MOU or policy developed for all of the ministries involved so that the right prep work can be done in making a request. The HIC must have clear sense of their latitude and what shapes that discretion.</li> <li>Aside from knowing privacy guidelines, there is a piece on relationship building and alignment between organizations and ministries. This education piece is key in training staff to understand these guidelines.</li> </ul>				
11) Updates from Regional HSJCCs and Partners	Please see chart below.				
		HSJ	CC Updates		
AGENDA ITEM 8) Updates from	Regional HSJCC Representatives (Voting Members) *PHSJCC Steering Committee Member				
Regional HSJCCs and Partners	HSJCC	Person that provided update	Information Shared		
	HNBHN		<ul><li>New Co-Chair coming on board.</li><li>No OHT involvement thus far.</li></ul>		
	Champlain		<ul> <li>Committee hasn't met since OHTs came about.</li> <li>Biggest success is better engagement between local and regional committees.</li> <li>Challenges: changes in the organization. They are having trouble with receiving in-kind support from members.</li> <li>Can't move regional work ahead because of the cuts to positions/.</li> </ul>		
	Durham		<ul> <li>Rob is no longer stepping down as Chair anymore.</li> <li>Christine to continue to support the committee.</li> </ul>		
	HKPR		N/A		
	Halton		N/A		

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Item for Discussion			Discussion	
	North East	Kerri	<ul> <li>Next meeting in October where they will have some discussions on OHTs at that time.</li> <li>CMHA and Sudbury have been involved in discussions with OHTs, but haven't signed onto anything.</li> </ul>	
	North West	Mariah	<ul> <li>OHTs are on NWCOR's agenda next week. They have a presenter to coming to give an update on this.</li> <li>Working groups have been assembled:         <ul> <li>Safiyah from JHSO presented on Closed Quarters Report</li> <li>They are looking at a need's assessments for supportive Housing</li> <li>Another group is on FASD and justice involved clients. They have leveraged some of the research coming out of the states on interventions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	Kenora Local	Sara	<ul> <li>They are looking to standardized training for mental health court workers in Kenora. It could be used to develop curriculum across the province</li> <li>All Nations Health Partners OHT have acknowledged MHA as a priority year one.</li> </ul>	, for
	Peel		N/A	
	Simcoe Muskoka	Jean-Marc	<ul> <li>They have meeting coming up this Thursday</li> <li>As a result of transitional group survey done at last meeting, they have had some good discussions.  Decided to make agenda shorter for next meeting.</li> <li>This meeting coming up they have John Howard Society coming to present.</li> <li>Their focus is on recruiting new committee members from entire region.</li> <li>Put out offer to subsidize some conference costs for members. Only one person that applied for it. This may have to do with budget constraints.</li> <li>They have appreciated all of the memo documents included in the</li> </ul>	had

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Item for Discussion	Discussion		
			<ul> <li>P-HSJCC package to review ahead of time.</li> <li>Committee has not had direct involvement in OHTs but have members that had applied.</li> </ul>
	South West	Bill Chantler	<ul> <li>Implementing red bag pilot in their area which is focused on female inmates.</li> <li>Noelle Brady pushing CJCs in London. More focused on pre-charge diversion at the location.</li> </ul>
	South East		N/A
	Toronto	Amber	<ul> <li>Had presentation from CJC reps in Toronto.</li> <li>Locals getting ready to put together topics for their Lunch n Learns.</li> </ul>
	Waterloo Wellington		N/A
	York-South Simcoe	Tricia	<ul> <li>They had a lunch n Learn on hate motivated crime. Next one is on</li> <li>October 16<sup>th</sup> on developmental disability and acquired brain injury.</li> <li>Looking at developing a vision statement. They have now updated Their TOR.</li> <li>They are discussing the process of recruiting persons with lived experience</li> </ul>
	Ministry Representative Ministry	s (Ex-Officio)  Person that	
	Ministry	provided update	Information Shared
	MSG – Correctional Services	Yoko	<ul> <li>Developing mental health and addictions strategy for clients both in custody and the community.</li> <li>Challenges: how to connect with external Indigenous health care providers. Looking for input from the committee.</li> </ul>
	MOHLTC – Forensic Mental Health	Dianna	<ul> <li>They have a new ADM, Karen Glass, who we met today.</li> <li>3 members of branch that are on the group that are reviewing agreement between MOH and Ontario Health and OHT applications.</li> <li>They are working on service agreement between MOH and Ontario</li> <li>Health. They will ensure language around mental health and</li> </ul>

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Item for Discussion	Discussion			
			addictions and forensic mental health.	
	MAG	Eric/Rebecca	<ul> <li>The CJC update was provided earlier today.</li> <li>Rebecca will be transitioning as the rep for the P-HSJCC and Dena Will also resume when she is back from mat leave.</li> </ul>	
	Other Members (Ex-Officio)			
	Other Members	Person that provided update	Information Shared	
	CMHA Ontario	Uppala	<ul> <li>A lot of branches are engaged at the OHT table.</li> <li>Mental health and justice so far is not a top priority of discussion.</li> </ul>	
	Community Networks of Specialized Care	Lisa H.	<ul> <li>In their region, they have identified new but concerning trend around the types of offences they are seeing (i.e. serious charges and sexual offences) with their clients i.e. developmental disabilities with addictions issue</li> <li>A lot of these charges relate to social media and human trafficking.</li> </ul>	
	Legal Aid Ontario	A.J.	Nothing further aside from LAO changes update.	
	Forensic Directors Group	Michele	They have a meeting next week.	
	OACP	Bill	<ul> <li>No additional updates other than he is now sitting on CCRM provincial working group.</li> </ul>	
	OPP	Lisa L.	<ul> <li>They are moving along with CCRM project. Version 1 will be a framework and toolkit and version 2 once everyone is collecting the same data.</li> <li>There have been a lot of requests and movement on the police hospital transitions work.</li> <li>They have launched partnership with Medic Alert where police connect individuals to get signed up for connect protect – wandering adults and dementia</li> </ul>	
	Connex Ontario	Brad	<ul> <li>Free app called Connex GO developed. Aiming to do a hard launch with Associate Minister Tibollo.</li> <li>Starts web chats with staff that are there 24/7.</li> </ul>	

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Item for Discussion	Discussion			
	САМН	Marla	<ul> <li>Working on Youth Wellness Hubs.</li> <li>Mindful of co-creating this with youth who are engaged at every step of the process.</li> <li>Building provincial Indigenous groups.</li> </ul>	
	John Howard Society of Ontario	Safiyah	<ul> <li>Presented to the table about their ongoing work back in May at this table. Looking forward to continuing the discussion on OHTs.</li> </ul>	
	Justice for Children and Youth	Mary	<ul> <li>Did webinar in August – for those interested in learning more about JFCY it is on the HSJCC website.</li> </ul>	
13) Meeting adjournment Next Meeting: Wednesday November 6, 2019, 12:00pm- 3:00pm, following the P-HSJCC Conference	<ul> <li>The Secretariat will send out an evaluation survey for this meeting.</li> <li>The next Provincial HSJCC meeting will be held on November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 following the Provincial HSJCC Conference.</li> <li>The Provincial HSJCC meeting of September17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 adjourned at approximately 2:10PM.</li> </ul>			
<b>Location:</b> Hilton Toronto Hotel, room TBD.				

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