

Northwest Regional Centre of Responsibility (COR) (Formerly known as the Northwest Regional HSJCC)

Meeting Agenda – Thurs, Apr 13, 2023
 10:00am – 10:00am CST/11:00am – 1:00pm EST

Zoom:

Present: Jenny Leadbeater (CMHA Thunder Bay), Brian McInnes (PWLE), Alice Bellavance (BISNO), Jennifer Moore (Dilico), Sheri Fata (TBCC), Rose Viel (Centr'Elles), Sara Dias (CMHA Kenora), Claire Thiessen (CMHA Thunder Bay), Nicole LaTour (Alpha Court), Cathy Clara (SJCG), Lorna Hunda (YES Employment), Charlene Strain (CMHA Fort Frances), Derek West (TBPS), Lee-Ann Chevrette (CSWB Thunder Bay), John Schmidt (Ontario Health North)

Purpose: The purpose of the COR is to support current and future Situation Tables and assist in supporting an integrated, coordinated and seamless service delivery system that meets the needs of at-risk people and optimizes the mobilization and delivery of community services in the Northwest region.

Item & Purpose	Lead	Purpose	Meeting Package Documents
1. Welcome & Introductions	Sara Dias		Sara welcomed the group and reminded everyone to include their first and last name in video settings.
2. Land Acknowledgement	Alice Bellavance		Alice provided a land acknowledgement.
3. Conflict of Interest	Sara Dias		No conflicts of interest to declare.
4. Consent Agenda (Motion)			
4.1 COR Meeting Agenda – Apr 13 2023 4.2 Draft COR Meeting Minutes – Nov 10 2022 4.3 ECOR Meeting Minutes – Jan 10 2023	Sara Dias	Approval	4.1 COR Meeting Agenda – Apr 13 2023 4.2 Draft COR Meeting Minutes – Nov 10 2022 4.3 ECOR Meeting Minutes – Jan 10 2023 Motion to approve by Cathy Clara Seconded by Sheri Fata All approved.
5. Business Arising			

5.1 Co-Chair Elections	Jenny Leadbeater	Deferred	Jenny explained that Co-Chair elections have been deferred due to upcoming restructure.
6. New Business			
6.1 ECOR Planning Day outcomes	Jenny Leadbeater	Update/Discussion	<p>6.1 ECOR Planning Day Outcomes Feb 22 2023</p> <p>Jenny reviewed highlights from the ECOR Planning Day Outcomes document for the group. Most specifically was the upcoming changes to dismantling the NWCOR in its current form and re-developing the NW Regional HSJCC and the Thunder Bay District HSJCC.</p> <p>Group Comments/Questions:</p> <p>Nicole LaTour – CHAT table – amalgamating some of the tables would help avoid duplication and capitalize human resources</p> <p>Alice agreed that this is a good idea as none of us have extra time. It's important to find ways to utilize and merge existing tables/structures. Alice presented an idea to stagger these meetings on the same day, with many of the same attendees. Use of Zoom is efficient for this purpose.</p> <p>Brian shared with the group that a class action court case against Penatanguashene has finally reached resolution and that he had been involved with this for a long time and was his lived experience. Brian also asked if there would be continued opportunity for him to remain involved with the HSJCC's given the upcoming changes. Jenny assured Brian that his participation at the table is most welcome and needed. It will be left up to him if he'd like to be a member of one or both of the newly forming committees. There will also be recruitment opportunities for additional People with lived experience as the new committees are formed. Alice mentioned that the PWLE Advisory Committee would be an ideal place to</p>

			focus recruitment efforts as its critically important to have PWLE involved at all levels.
6.2 COR Work Plan 2023-2024	Jenny Leadbeater	Update/Discussion	6.3 COR Work Plan 2023-2024 Jenny provided an overview of key activities and initiatives for the COR Work Plan of 2023-2024. Lee-Ann expressed her support for the work put into this.
6.4 KRRD Work Plan 2023-2024	Sara Dias	Update	6.3 KRRDHSJCC Work Plan 2023-2024 Sara reported this year's work plan is similar to last year's submission with member's names attached to each line item.
7. Issues Management: Human Services/Justice Systemic Issues in Northwestern Ontario			
7.1 Youth gang prevention and migration issues/City of TBay update	Lee-Ann Chevrette	Update	Lee-Ann provided the following update: many municipalities across the country were allocated funding through Public Safety Canada for youth gang issues. Thunder Bay was selected based on our Crime Severity index and other statistics. A request for proposal was submitted and approved. The municipality, in partnership with community partners, will decide how to move forward with funds expenditures. A consultant has been hired to conduct a situational assessment and develop a strategy. Help-Seeker will provide support until the end of June to inform the development of a strategy. A steering committee is also being developed and will meet within the next couple of weeks. These are the first steps to bringing everyone together to target the work and time commitments. Other opportunities for engagement will exist as well. Phase 1 – assessment and development of strategy. Phase 2 – implementation of strategy. Unfortunately, funding cannot be distributed by Thunder Bay Police, only to community partners.
7.2 Withdrawal Management Services in NW Ontario Service Maps for Thunder Bay and District	Jenny Leadbeater/Claire Thiessen	Discussion	Jenny informed that the KRRD-HSJCC had developed several addictions related service maps for their district last year and that it was suggested during our last meeting that similar service maps be developed for

			<p>Thunder Bay and Thunder Bay District. Claire has worked on developing these and presented the final products to the group.</p> <p>Sara mentioned that copies of these maps have been posted to the CMHA Kenora website along with the service maps for the KRRD.</p> <p>ACTION: Jenny will circulate copies of the service maps to the COR membership.</p>
8. COR Working Group Updates			
8.1 COR Community Reintegration Planning Table – Thunder Bay and Kenora	Jenny Leadbeater/Sara Dias	Updates	<p>Jenny provided an update re: CRPT development for Thunder Bay. The CRO's and Community Co-Chair organized a meet and greet for potential members which was held on March 30th. The hope is to have the Thunder Bay CRPT start receiving referrals in the next month or so.</p> <p>Sara informed that the Kenora CRPT is stalled as there are internal discussions still being held between SOLGEN and HSJCC. There is a need for clarification for the institutional staff. The Release From Custody Task Force last met in Dec and will not meet again until details for the CRPT are concluded.</p>
8.2 COR FASD/Justice System	Alice Bellavance	Update	<p>Alice provided an update for this working group. We are continuing to look at advocacy efforts, specifically how to change the definition of ABI to include 'before birth' brain injury. This is a lofty task. The group will meet this afternoon and review details from a recent HSJCC webinar entitled FASD and the Law.</p>
9. Standing Items			
<p>9.1 Situation Tables CoP and Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2022 NW Regional RTD presentation - Bi-monthly orientation sessions for the region 	Jenny Leadbeater and Claire Thiessen	Update	<p>Jenny is continuing to offer Situation Table Orientation Session bi-monthly to all regional tables. The next one is scheduled for Mon, Apr 24th from 9am-12noon EST. The next Situation Table CoP meeting is scheduled for May 11th from 10am-11am EST.</p> <p>Claire presented 2022 NW regional RTD data to the group which noted how referrals have decreased, the highest referred age group is 12-17 year olds and the percentage of situations with Overall Risk Lowered has decreased compared to recent years. Jenny provided additional context to support this data including how many of the referrals in the last year have shown a higher level of complexity with more risk factors.</p>

			<p>Unfortunately, the RTD has a cap on the number of risk factors which can be entered, thereby skewing this data to some degree. As well, the 12-17 year old age group can be particularly challenging to connect to service, especially if there is suspected HT or gang involvement.</p> <p>Lee-Ann asked about the systemic issues noted in the presentation. Jenny clarified that if individual tables aren't capturing or submitting this data to the COR, we have no way of knowing what they are. The RTD does not capture details about Systemic Issues.</p> <p>Brian – a lot of youth coming with groups. The adults who are overseeing this should be getting charged. Derek – provided some insight on what happens within these scenerios. Lee-Ann – this will be important information.</p>
<p>9.2 Provincial HSJCC Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mobile Crisis Framework Webinar - 2023 HSJCC Conference updates - Issues Management – Legal Aid not in courtrooms 	Jenny Leadbeater	Update	<p>Jenny provided the following updates from the P-HSJCC:</p> <p>A Mobile Crisis Framework has been developed and released across the province. The following webinar link provides an overview of this: https://hsjcc.on.ca/mobile-crisis-response-teams-framework-and-toolkit-webinar-03-08-2023/</p> <p>The bi-annual HSJCC Virtual Conference is scheduled for Nov 15th and 16th, 2023. A Call for Abstracts has been circulated to the membership and everyone is encouraged to review this should they wish to present at the conference.</p> <p>Sara provided an update on the Issues management “Legal Aid absent from Courtrooms”. The KRRD escalated this issue to the P-HSJCC knowing that it is a provincial issue. Cuts to Legal Aid and HR issues are contributing to clients not getting the service needed in the courts. Briefing notes can be circulated to this group including stats.</p>
9.3 OHT Updates	Wendy McAllister/John Schmidt	Update	<p>John Schmidt reported there are no OHT updates at this time.</p> <p>Sara inquired about recent budget announcements and the increase to MH funding. Wondering how this will affect our region?</p>

			John informed details will be released soon for this fiscal 2023-2024 and will provide a more formal update another time.
9.4 CSWB Plan Updates	All	Update	<p>Lee-Ann provided an update on Thunder Bay’s CSWB Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 6 priority areas and 7 action tables. All have been busy with implementation reports being finalized for Year 1. Lee-Ann will bring a report to the City Council in June. A forum was held in Oct 2022 with several recommendations collected. A working group is currently planning another forum to be held this fall. • The Thunder Bay Youth Inclusion Program, which was a 5yr funded program is wrapping up and evaluations noted its success. There is hope some elements will roll into the Building Safer Communities fund. • The Action Table for Anti-Racism and Discrimination is working on a reconciliation toolkit and community conversation guide in conjunction with Leadership Thunder Bay. More work is being done on the health impacts of adverse childhood experiences. A brain architecture game to determine impacts of adversity has been utilized with the following: BISNO, Dilico, MH&A Network, Child and Youth MH&A Sector. • The Respect Awards were held in February – Carolyn Carl and ROOTS Community Food Centre were recipients and the videos are posted online. • The Solidarity Collective Youth Initiative has wrapped up. It was focused on addressing racism and hate in our community. • City Studio is a new project for the next 3 yrs connecting city and community partners to youth from academic institutions. <p>Sara provided an update on the status of Kenora’s CSWB Planning. Applications for the CSWB committee closed on April 1st and they will be hiring a coordinator soon.</p>

9.5 Roundtable – Regional Partner Agency Updates	All	Update	<p>Derek West– the new TBPS police chief starts on Monday and will want to engage with community partners. Project Prevent wrapped up on Mar 31st – home takeovers and those at risk of gangs. This work will continue in lieu of funding. Police will continue to have presence in homes where takeovers are prevalent.</p> <p>Lee-Ann - Project Prevent was an action table with CSWB. Looking forward to continued work.</p> <p>Sara – Kenora Justice Centre is now open. A formal ceremony was held a few weeks ago. Kenora RISK table will start meeting in person there. The HSJCC would like to meet there in future but are waiting for appropriate technology.</p>
9.6 Next Steps	Sara Dias and Jenny Leadbeater	Info.	The ECOR will meet again to develop a change management strategy. In the meantime, Jenny will continue to circulate HSJCC related and provide Situation Table support and training.

