



North York Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (NY-HSJCC)

Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2018

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Metro North Court Library, 1000 Finch Avenue West

Present: Tammy Tinney (Co-chair), NYGH; Andrew Graham (Co-chair), Cota; Mary Murphy (Co-chair) Defence Counsel, Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Arthur Stratton, Probation and Parole, Black Creek Office; Sheine Mankovsky, Judiciary; Ashley Andrew, NYGH (Student); Karoline Stelmach-Ksenial, Duty Counsel; Wayne Willis, CHIRS; Jennifer Derbyshire, NYGH; Diana Filici, Métis Nation of Ontario; Anna Stanford, Crown Attorney's Office; Mandy Calver, CMHA; Rebecca Paonessa, Salvation Army

Regrets: Riun Shandler, Judiciary; Jennifer Rae, Toronto Police Service; Debbie Lynch, CTYS

Welcome and Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves.

Review of January 25, 2018 minutes

Minutes were approved.

Review Action Items:

Andrew Graham reported that due to resources limitations Dr. Maxym Choptiany hours can't be expanded. He does fitness testing and will start doing MH diversion assessments.

Presentation: Diana Filici from the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)

- Presentation slide decks will be circulated.
- Discussed the context of the RV Gladue 1999 decision. It states that in sentencing an aboriginal offender, the judge must consider the unique systemic or background factors and the types of sentencing procedures and sanctions which may be appropriate because of his or her aboriginal heritage or connection. Not applied consistently across the province and Canada.
- RV IPPEELEE 2012 decision states that courts must take judicial notice of such matters as the history of colonialism, displacement, and residential schools

- Researching and Developing a Restorative Justice pilot program at MNO. Project to start April 1, 2018. Would like to offer the service to the MH courts and youth.
- Themes discussed: Identification and how to make ‘categorization’ as it has not been done before, Métis history and identify has been suppressed, looking at traditional sentencing circles, create a community roster, lack of services for Métis people, include more pathways for indigenous people
- Diana Filici was thanked for the informative presentation.

Lunch and Learns

- The Lunch and Learn webinar on Cannabis took place on February 1, 2018. Webinar registration was full within 2 hours.
- Webinar attendees – 80, webinar registration 150, completed evaluations 35 (44%)
- Courthouse attendees 40 Evaluations completed at courthouse 15 (38%)
- Courthouse attendees 62 % rated the presentation above average to excellent.
- Based on the member’s survey results the next Lunch and Learn webinar will be on MCIT taking place on March 22, 2018. Clarify on the flyer that the webinar presenters are off site not at the courthouse to address attendees expectations.
- Domenica Dileo will follow up with logistics.

Review 2017-2018 Workplan

Reviewed the 2018-2019 workplan, which was circulated prior to the meeting. Discussion ensued- to continue with the regular five meetings and three Lunch and Learn webinars. Continue with the TTC and food voucher support for the courthouse. The goals and objectives remain the same as previous year.

It was agreed to add under section 3 Issues Identification of the workplan the following:

Explore the communication and service gaps between the civic and criminal Mental Health sectors (i.e within the context of Form 2)

Domenica Dileo reported that the budget goal of the T-HSJC is to have a balanced budget. After reviewing the Locals budget requests, the committee had to limit the amount of TTC tokens and food vouchers for all Locals with the understanding that surplus can be used for TTC tokens and food vouchers purchases. The T-HSJCC will review outstanding Locals budget requests in the Fall.

The NY -HSJCC 2018-2019 workplan budget approved is:

TTC Tokens	\$500.00
Food Vouchers	\$500.00
Lunch & Learns	\$2140.00
Honorarium	\$480.00

The NY-HSHCC committee unanimously approved the 2018-2019 workplan and budget.

Proposed meeting dates are: September 13, November 1, January 10, March 7 and May 2nd.

Agency/Organization Updates

- Rebecca Paonessa informed the committee that she has openings to do one-on-one work with clients who are dealing with anger management issues.
- Mandy Calver reported that the Safe Beds Program expanded from 1 to 4 beds. These beds are police-accessed only. Clients can stay up to 15 days.
- Working on building additional beds, construction will start in the spring.
- Andrew Graham reported that Cota has subsidies for housing, can pay \$700 plus utilities per month. Have to be a Cota client with MH and substance use challenges. Will send program criteria to Domenica Dileo for circulation.

Service Co-ordination Issues

Discussion ensued about Form 2. It was agreed to add communication and service gap in the context of Form 2 to the 2018-2019 workplan.

Domenica Dileo informed the T-HSJCC regarding the Form 2 discussion at the NY-HSJCC meeting. More clarification is required for input. However, there was suggestion to look at the Ron Hoffman screener.

Online the interRal Brief Mental Health Screener (BMHS) is available, but only with a user license – see link below. The committee will continue discussion at the next meeting. If the committee wants to access the screener we can ask the PHSJCC whether they can provide us access.

<https://catalog.interrai.org/BMHS-brief-mental-health-screener-assessment-form-and-users-manual>

Updates from the T-HSJCC and P-HSJCC

The next T-HSJCC meeting will take place on June 11, 2018

Domenica Dileo reported on the P-HSJCC.

Planning for the 2019 PHSJCC conference. Looking for conference Co-chairs. If you are interested let Domenica Dileo know.

P-HSJCC is looking for a Co-chair who does not work for the public service because they need to sign cheques etc.... on behalf of the committee. Current Co-chair – Katie Almond is a public service employee.

Presenter for next meeting: Community Justice Centre – Justice Ruin Shandler will follow-up.

Actions:

- Domenica Dileo will follow-up on the March Lunch and Learn webinar logistics and circulate presentation slide decks
- Domenica Dileo to add Form 2 discussion at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: May 3, 2018 from 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Metro North Court Library, 1000 Finch Avenue, West