

North York Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (NY-HSJCC) Meeting Minutes February 7, 2013, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Metro North Court Library, 1000 Finch Avenue West

Present: Stuart Goldman (Co-chair), North York General Hospital; Sarah Haslip, T.A. Patterson; John Sconza, Toronto Police Service, 32 Division; Sheila Cressman, Crown Attorney's Office; Susan Adams (Co-chair), Defense Counsel; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC Coordinator; Leslie Pringle, Justice; Diana Korn-Hassin, Toronto Police Service, MCIT Team

Regrets: Dana Falconi, Probation and Parole; Debbie Lynch, CTYS; Trish Mills, Toronto Police Service, 31 Division; Nancy Blades, COTA Health; Jessica Lee, CMHA

Welcome and Introductions

• Everybody introduced themselves.

Review of November 8, 2013 minutes

- The minutes were approved.
- The Presentation by Greg Rogers, Executive Director of the John Howard Society on The South Etobicoke Reintegration Centre has been deferred to another NY-HSJCC meeting.
- Stuart Goldman distributed the letter that he and Susan Adams wrote on behalf of the NY-HSJCC in support of a MCIT Team in the North York General Hospital catchment area. The letter was directed to Ms. Ashley Hogue, Senior Planner, Mental Health and Addictions/Chronic Disease Management and Prevention, Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN). The committee approved the letter.

Agency/Organization Updates

Susan Adams provided the following report:

- Legal Aid Ontario update The panel will be helpful in educating lawyers who wish to acknowledge mental health certificates on legal issues specific to this area of practice.
- The legal aid panel is ready to go. It has representatives from the North York Court House. The panel on expert evidence plans to finish filming by the end of March. The panel will be helpful in improving understanding about what needs to be done.

Leslie Pringle provided the following report:

- Although the court operation manager said that there is no funding in the budget for a doctor, Leslie Pringle is continuing to work with the operation manager to try and find funds. The biggest need is psychiatric support at the court.
- Systemic distribution of resources is a key issue for North York. We need to look at equitable distribution of resources.

Diana Korn-Hassani provided the following report

• There will be week-long training for MCIT during February 2013. Nurses and Police Officers will be trained together. It will take place at the Police College in Etobicoke. Members of the NY-HSJCC who are interested in attending, please contact Diana Korn-Hassani.

Stuart Goldman provided the following report

- The Branson Services are moving out of the building to the general site since the building is too costly to keep. The Branson's Mental Health and Justice Treatment and Support Services will remain at the Branson site for the next two years, after which they may move to another location.
- The main topic will be the Justice Collaborative at the next NY-HSJCC meeting.

Lunch and Learn

- Suggestions for a focus topic for the Lunch and Learns were made. Having a guest speaker present on major disorders and symposiums would be of benefit and provide educational tools to NY-HSJCC members. Dr. Peter Collins, who works with Toronto Police Service and the O.P.P., was recommended as a speaker.
- A budget for the event was discussed. Domenica Dileo will draft a budget and send it to Steve Lurie.

2013/2014 Work Plan

- The Draft Work Plan was distributed. No changes were suggested. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting.
- A budget request was discussed for Domenica to submit to Steve Lurie.
 - 1. Lunch and Learn, including food approximately \$1000.00
 - 2. TTC tokens \$1000.00
 - 3. Food Vouchers \$1000.00
 - 4. Clothing for people released \$1500.00

<u> Total budget request - \$4500.00</u>

• Stuart Goldman and Susan Adams will continue as Co-chairs of the NY-HSJCC. Both of them were thanked and appreciation expressed for their agreeing to continue in the role.

Updates From the T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC – Police ER Protocols Project

• Domenica Dileo will contact Uppala Chandrasekera and get clarification on the following questions:

- 1. After collecting the data, what is the next step?
- 2. Who is making the decisions?
- 3. What is the engagement piece for the hospitals?
- 4. Dr. Ovens from Mount Sinai Hospital submitted a report. What is happening to this report?
- 5. Can people have access to the responses to the Police ER Protocols Project?

Actions:

- Domenica Dileo will draft a budget request to submit to Steve Lurie.
- Domenica Dileo will get clarification about the ER Protocols Project.

Next Meeting:

March 7, 2013 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Metro North Court – Library 1000 Finch Ave. West