



**Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2022
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting**

Present: Tammy Tinney (Co-chair), NYGH; Sue MacLennan (Co-chair), Aboriginal Legal Services; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Richard Nathanson, Crown Attorney's Office; Nancy Blades, Cota; Melissa McMillan, Community Network of Specialized Care, Surrey Place; Kristina Dobosz, Community Network of Specialized Care, Surrey Place

Regrets: Andrew Maclellan, Cota; Andrew Graham, Cota

Call-in: None

Land Acknowledgement

Tammy noted the Land Acknowledgement recognizing the history of the Indigenous People and their contribution to the land we stand on.

Welcome and Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves.

Approval of May 5, 2022 minutes

The minutes of May 5, 2022 were approved by Richard and second by Sue.

Review Action Items:

Action items were reviewed and completed.

Presentation: Kristina Dobosz, Dual Diagnosis Justice Coordinator, and Melissa McMillan Justice case management for the Justice Centre from the Community Network of Specialized Care, Surrey Place

- PowerPoint slides will be circulated.
- Surrey Place serves people of all ages with developmental disabilities and autism spectrum disorder
- Programs and departments were discussed; Early Infancy and Infant Hearing Screening, Toronto Autism Services Network, Children and youth program, TRE-ADD School-Based Service. FASD services, Wellness Program, DSO Toronto and Adult Program

- DSO – Developmental Services Ontario is the access point for adult developmental services funded by the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS) in Ontario.
- In Ontario, 3% of the population has a developmental disability. It is estimated that approx. 10% of those individuals will come into contact with the law.
- Role of the Dual Diagnosis Justice Coordinator – ensures that individuals with a dual diagnosis and who are involved with the criminal justice system, as well as their families, obtain the short-and long-term services/resources they require in the mental health and developmental sectors
- Toronto Downtown East Justice Centre – JC works with 51 Division Police Station, runs every Thursday via ZOOM
- Individuals arrested within 51 division
- The JC will provide integrated access to: Case managers, Inner City Health Associates
- Eligibility criteria for the JC – Adults charged in 51 Division, history of recidivism in the past 12 months, existence of mental health, substance use, homelessness, and/or developmental issues
- The JC will accept individuals' charged with low to moderate level offenses
- The Crown Attorney assesses cases at College Park to see if individuals qualify for the JC and alerts case managers from Sound Times and Surrey Place.
- Case managers work with the individual to create an individual plan (IP)
- If an individual does not attend the JC, their charges will be remanded back to the originating court and they will go through the normal court process

Melissa and Kristina were thanked for the informative and insightful presentation.

Lunch and Learns

- Domenica reported on the upcoming NY-HSJCC session on September 29, on the Gladue: What it is and Why it Matters. Lunch & Learn sessions are virtual. HSJCC members and colleagues are welcomed to attend any sessions. It is not limited to the Local membership. Registration information has been circulated.
- S-HSJCC Lunch and Learn will take place on October 19, on Community Reintegration: A Pathway from Custody to the Community – A Model of Collaborative Care Through Pro-Active Discharge Planning.
- The Sentencing and Parole Project (SPP) session took place on May 19th. SPP is a non-profit organization that prepares enhanced pre-sentence reports (EPSRs) for Black people marginalized by poverty and racial inequality. The reports give judges and parole boards the information they need to make informed sentencing and release decisions. They include recommendations for culturally appropriate programs to assist with rehabilitation. The SPP also trains justice system participants about racism in the justice system. 328 people registered and 196 people attended. The recording was circulated to the HSJCC members.

Annual Members Evaluation Summary (May 2022)

Tammy reviewed the annual evaluation. It was circulated prior to the meeting. This year there was less than the average number of members who completed the evaluation.

Agency and Organization Updates

How is COVID-19 affecting service delivery in your organization, sector and/or community?
Service Coordination/Resolution Issues?

- Sue reported that the Aboriginal Legal Services are provide in-person services.
- Tammy reported that NYG has one psychiatrist in the MH and Justice program. They are in the process to recruit another psychiatrist.

Updates from T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC:

Tammy reported that the Toronto Regional committee has established an Anti-Racism Ad Hoc committee. Its membership includes all local HSJCC Co-chairs. The main goal is to develop an Anti-Racism educational series for the HSJCC target population. The main focus is education, increase awareness, identify issues and collaboration. The Ad Hoc Group Terms of Reference were circulated. The NY-HSHCC will lead a panel session on racialized professional experience in the MH and justice sector.

Next T-HSJCC meeting is taking place on October 13th.

Action Items:

- Domenica will report on the Lunch and Learn sessions at the next meeting
- Domenica will circulate the PowerPoint presentation slide deck.

Presenter for next meeting: TBD Suggestions for presentation contact Domenica

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 3, 2022 (virtually) from 12 pm to -1:00 pm.