

## P-HSJCC Monthly Updates Meeting Highlights

March 23, 2021

### PROVINCIAL HSJCC UPDATES

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- The Secretariat presented the final draft of [2021-2022 Provincial HSJCC Work plan](#), which was approved by the P-HSJCC.
- The Secretariat is currently in the process of developing a **honouraria policy** for the Provincial HSJCC. This will include an overview of the purpose, definitions, eligibility, and payment rates for engaging persons with lived experience at the Provincial level.

#### Updates from the Secretariat:

- Please see attached document for updates on P-HSJCC provincial projects and network support functions.

#### Discussion re: MCCSS's Announcement on the Closure of Youth Justice Centres:

- The P-HSJCC discussed the impacts of the recent announcement by the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS) on the closure of 26 youth justice centres, many of which were in northern Ontario.

**ACTION:** The P-HSJCC will **prepare a submission to MCCSS** on this issue highlighting the impact of this decision, focusing on the experiences of Indigenous youth and their families, and emphasizing the need for more investments in children and youth mental health, addictions and community justice supports.

**ACTION:** The P-HSJCC will **invite MCCSS to engage in further consultation** on this issue at a future P-HSJCC meeting.

#### Discussion re: Feedback on Proposed Exemptions to the Police Records Check Reform Act:

- The P-HSJCC discussed the **Ministry of the Solicitor General's (SolGen) proposed exemptions to the Police Records Check Reform Act**, which would allow some non-conviction records, including mental health records that are created during a police interaction or apprehension under the Mental Health Act, to be shared with certain employment sectors.
- Although the Ministry requested formal submissions by March 12<sup>th</sup>, the P-HSJCC would still like to engage with SolGen on this issue.

**ACTION:** The P-HSJCC will **prepare a submission to SolGen** reiterating our past P-HSJCC key messages, emphasizing the need for more cross sectoral collaboration and sufficient time for consultation within the HSJCC Network.

### IMPORTANT ACTION ITEMS:

- The Secretariat to draft a letter to MCCSS, Youth Justice Services Division on the impact of the closures to youth justice centres and share with P-HSJCC for feedback before submission.
- The Secretariat to invite MCCSS Youth Justice Services Division to attend the May P-HSJCC meeting for further consultation on this issue.
- The Secretariat to draft a submission to SolGen, Public Safety Division on the proposed exemptions to the Police Records Check Reform Act and share with the P-HSJCC for feedback before submission.
- The Secretariat to send a new set of calendar invitations for the P-HSJCC 2021-2022 meeting schedule. The P-HSJCC will move forward with **bimonthly, 2-hour virtual meetings**.