

P-HSJCC Meeting Highlights

September 21, 2021

PROVINCIAL HSJCC UPDATES

Updates from the Secretariat:

- Please see attached document for updates on P-HSJCC provincial projects and network support functions.
 - The November 2021 P-HSJCC Meeting will be moved from the scheduled November 16th date to **November 23rd, 2021, from 2pm – 4pm** to avoid conflict with the HSJCC Virtual Conference. The Secretariat will send out a new calendar invitation to reflect this change.
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Amendments to the P-HSJCC Terms of Reference Background Section:

- The Secretariat presented revised amendments to the background section of the **P-HSJCC Terms of Reference** with a focus on the language that should be used for consideration of priority populations for approval:
 - *Priority consideration will be made for individuals with complex human services needs, which may include, but are not limited to those living with mental health issues, substance use concerns and/or behavioural dependencies, or neurodevelopmental and neurocognitive disabilities including developmental disabilities and dual diagnosis. The HSJCCs are a cooperative effort of the Ministries of the Attorney General, Children, Community and Social Services, the Solicitor General, and Health.*
- The amendments to the background section of the **P-HSJCC Terms of Reference** were approved by the P-HSJCC.

ACTION: The Secretariat will send the approved **P-HSJCC Terms of Reference** to members and update the HSJCC website.

P-HSJCC Conference Reminder:

- Registration is open for the [2021 P-HSJCC Virtual Conference](#) being held on **November 16-17, 2021**:
 - Members are encouraged to share registration and opportunities for sponsorship and exhibitors within their networks.
 - The P-HSJCC is committed to supporting people with lived experience to attend the conference. Please contact the Secretariat for more information.

Presentation from Ministry of the Solicitor General: Update on Community Integration Strategy:

- Representatives from the Ministry of the Solicitor General's new Community Reintegration and Program Transformation Branch presented an update on their **Community Reintegration Strategy**.
 - SOLGEN is looking to identify ways we can enhance community reintegration planning to support sentenced and remand populations.
 - Community Reintegration Engagement Approach includes the following stages:
 - **Stage One**-Front line ministry staff (Completed)

- **Stage Two** -Community partners (Fall 2021) that include municipal service managers, dedicated engagements with Indigenous communities and organizations.
- **Stage Three**- Engaging with inmate and offenders who may have experience with the process.

ACTION: The Secretariat to follow up with SOLGEN and ask if presentation slides can be shared with P-HSJCC members.

Key Messages for SOLGEN's Community Reintegration Engagement Session:

- SOLGEN is hosting an engagement session with service providers to share its current approach to community reintegration and vision for a **Community Reintegration Strategy**, as well as to hear the perspectives of service providers regarding barriers and opportunities for enhanced community reintegration efforts.
- The Secretariat will be attending on behalf of P-HSJCC and is looking for feedback from members to develop key messages on behalf of the HSJCC Network.

ACTION: The Secretariat will send a memo to the P-HSJCC summarizing key messages from today's discussion and provide an opportunity for members to provide additional feedback in advance of the engagement session.

P-HSJCC Anti-Racism Advisory Committee - Survey Results & Proposed Project Areas:

- The Secretariat and P-HSJCC Anti-Racism Advisory Committee Co-Chair presented on the survey results from the Regional and Local HSJCCs:
 - Through the survey results, three key project areas emerged including **knowledge exchange opportunities, strategies for improved member engagement**, and the **development of a provincial framework**.
 - The P-HSJCC is in support of all identified project areas over the course of the P-HSJCC's three-year workplan cycle.

ACTION: The Secretariat to send presentation slides on the survey results and project areas to the P-HSJCC.

Presentation of Outline for P-HSJCC PWLE Guidebook & Next Steps:

- The Secretariat provided an update on the People with Lived Experience (PWLE) Advisory Committee's work including:
 - An outline of guidebook contents
 - The timelines for the guidebook release plan (preview at P-HSJCC conference session)
 - Potential evaluation methods

ACTION: The Secretariat to follow up with Regional and Local Chairs as the guidebook is prepared for release.

Updates from the Secretariat

P-HSJCC Meeting of September 21, 2021

P-HSJCC Financial Update

Projected Q2 Budget Totals are included in the meeting package. At the November P-HSJCC meeting, there will be a discussion on how members would like to use remaining P-HSJCC discretionary funds for 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Advisory Committee Updates

P-HSJCC 2021 Conference Planning Committee

The Conference Planning Committee has been meeting on a regular basis discuss the planning of the Virtual HSJCC Conference on November 16-17, 2021. The abstract submissions for the concurrent sessions were reviewed by a subcommittee and confirmations were sent out to the selected presenters. [Registration](#) for the conference was announced on June 24th. Keynote speakers Elyn Saks and Tanya Talaga are confirmed.

Engaging Persons with Lived Experience (PWLE) Advisory Committee

The PWLE Advisory Committee continues to meet on a regular basis to move forward with the development of a guidebook containing strategies and resources that Local and Regional HSJCCs can use to improve the engagement of PWLE in their work. The committee moved to a bimonthly meeting schedule beginning in June.

Anti-Racism Committee

The P-HSJCC Anti-Racism Committee has been convening monthly to finalize their Terms of Reference and identify potential future areas of work.

The committee developed a survey that was sent out to Regional and Local HSJCCs to identify the various needs of committees in addressing anti-racism efforts across the network. Survey results and areas of work will be presented at the September P-HSJCC meeting.

The next P-HSJCC Anti-Racism Committee meeting is scheduled for September 23, 2021 from 1:00pm – 2:00pm. For more information about how your committee or organization can be involved please contact Provincial HSJCC Secretariat Network Coordinator Andrew Fairbairn afairbairn@ontario.cmha.ca

Community of Practice Update

HSJCC Transition from Custody Network

The HSJCC Transition from Custody Network has been meeting monthly to discuss issues impacting individuals leaving provincial corrections. The Network, in partnership with the Ministry of the Solicitor General, is developing a survey regarding late releases from correctional facilities to be distributed to people recently released from custody, their family members and friends, and service providers supporting this population. The survey is a preliminary exploration to determine where late releases are occurring, identify facilities where individuals are released during workday hours and share this information with ministry partners. The survey will be shared with the HSJCC Network in the coming weeks.

The Transition from Custody Network will also be voting on the use of funds earmarked by the P-HSJCC for that Network. The funds will be utilized to support clients leaving corrections, and will either be distributed regionally using pre-paid credit cards to purchase supplies, hotel rooms or gift cards for clients; alternatively, the funds may be distributed through Indigenous organizations or the Prisoner Emergency Support Fund which provides financial support to individuals across Ontario re-entering the community.

HSJCC Consultations and Submissions

HSJCC Secretariat Quarterly Meeting with SolGen Correctional Services Division ADMs

The HSJCC Secretariat had their quarterly meeting with ADMs from Operational Support, Community Services and Modernization Divisions on September 8, 2021. The Secretariat updated the ADMs on the HSJCC Transition from Custody Network's late releases survey and encouraged ADMs, correctional staff and probation and parole officers to register for the HSJCC Conference. SolGen ADMs shared information on Community Reintegration and Program Transformation, supporting virtual courtrooms, transitioning to in-person services and other initiatives. The group will meet again in November in advance of the P-HSJCC's priority setting exercise.