

P-HSJCC Meeting Highlights

January 16, 2024

PROVINCIAL HSJCC UPDATES

Updates from the Secretariat:

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

PHSJCC 2024-2025 Pre-Budget Submission Final Draft Review:

The Secretariat led a discussion with P-HSJCC members for feedback on the draft of the 2024-2025 P-HSJCC Pre-Budget Submission which will be submitted to the Minister of Finance by **January 31st, 2024**.

Key requests include:

- **Equitable Access to Preventative Mental Health and Substance Use Care**
- **Increase Housing Supply and Supports throughout the Housing Continuum**
- **Transitional Housing**
- **Supportive Housing**
- **Subsidized Housing**

The Secretariat to share the final submission document draft with voting members to review and provide any additional feedback by end of day on **Friday January 19th**.

Mental Health & Addictions (MH&A) Justice Services Inventory Highlights:

Dianna Cochrane (MOH) and Candace Vena (CMHA Ontario) presented highlights from their joint initiative on the MH&A Justice Services Inventory.

- The inventory provides a fulsome point-in-time reference of the mental health and substance use services that exist for justice-involved populations in Ontario.
- The inventory includes programs by region, program types, target groups, funding sources, and key junctures. The inventory would be housed on the HSJCC website.
- MOH & CMHA Ontario will be further refining the inventory and validating with inter-ministerial partners.
- The Secretariat to share the inventory with the P-HSJCC members by the end of **2023-24 Q4 fiscal year**.

Crisis Response Services Project Update:

The Secretariat provided an update on the Crisis Response Teams project led by CMHA Ontario. This work follows the February 2023 launch of [the *Developing Mobile Crisis Response Teams: A Framework for Ontario*](#) and is based on feedback from stakeholders in the community mental health, community justice, hospital, and policing sectors.

- CMHA Ontario will undertake an environmental scan through a survey of crisis response teams across Ontario. The environmental scan will include both police and community-based models of crisis response teams.
- The Secretariat will send a link to the survey with a letter of information and FAQs to Regional HSJCC Co-Chairs, and other key stakeholders by the end of **January 2024**. For any inquiries, please contact [Erin Paquette](#).

Format & Structure for Future P-HSJCC Meetings:

P-HSJCC members approved the following changes to the format and structure of future P-HSJCC meetings:

- Increasing the virtual bimonthly meetings by 30 minutes to allow more time for partner updates and discussions.
- Moving the member updates to the beginning of the meeting rather than at the end to allow for more fulsome updates. The Secretariat will also provide prompts to P-HSJCC members prior to meetings to encourage targeted updates.
- The **May 2024 P-HSJCC meeting** will be **in person on Monday May 13th at the Double Tree hotel in Toronto**. Members are encouraged to let the Secretariat know if you plan to attend as soon as possible. Follow-up emails from the Secretariat will be sent in the coming months.

2024-2025 P-HSJCC Workplans Presentation:

The Secretariat presented an overview of the Regional, Local and Provincial HSJCC's Work Planning process for the 2024-2025 fiscal year:

- Regional and Local workplans are to be submitted by email to Secretariat Network Coordinator, [Andrew Fairbairn](#) by end of day **Friday March 15th, 2024**.
- As part of Ministry of Health (MOH) reporting requirements, Regional, Local and Provincial HSJCC workplans will be submitted to MOH by **March 31st, 2024**.
- Regional and Local co-chairs are asked to use the most recent reporting template [HSJCC-Reporting-Template](#) when submitting their workplans to the Secretariat. Please contact Andrew if you require assistance. The Secretariat to send biweekly reminders to HSJCC Regional and Local Chairs.

- The Secretariat is updating the Provincial HSJCC Workplan for 2024-2025 which will be presented for review at the February P-HSJCC Executive Committee Meeting and brought to the March P-HSJCC Meeting for approval.

CKE Opportunities for HSJCC Regional Chairs:

- The Secretariat presented an opportunity to leverage the P-HSJCC's Communications and Knowledge Exchange Committee as a forum for HSJCC Regional and Local Chairs to discuss communications, knowledge exchange and engagement issues with their committees.
- The Secretariat will be sending an updated HSJCC member engagement survey to Regional and Local Chairs in in **February 2024**.

SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS:

- Members to complete the January P-HSJCC meeting [survey](#).
- The Secretariat to share the final draft of the **2024-2025 Pre-Budget Submission** document with P-HSJCC voting members for their review and feedback by end of day **Friday January 19th**. **The Secretariat to share the final pre-budget submission with all P-HSJCC members once submitted.**
- The Secretariat to share final MH&A Justice Inventory with P-HSJCC members once it is ready to be released.
- The Secretariat to send the Crisis Response Teams survey with the letter of information & FAQs to Regional HSJCC Co-Chairs and other key stakeholders by the end of **January 2024**.
- The Secretariat to send calendar invitation hold for the **Monday May 13th** P-HSJCC in-person meeting being held in Toronto.
- The Secretariat will give prompts to P-HSJCC members before the meeting for their updates.
- The Secretariat to share the CRPT Interim Report with P-HSJCC once reviewed and approved by the Ministry of the Solicitor General.
- The Secretariat to send an updated HSJCC member engagement survey to Regional and Local Chairs in **February 2024**.

Updates from the Secretariat

P-HSJCC Meeting of January 2024

Budget Update

Projected budget totals for Q4 have been included in the meeting package.

Advisory Committee Updates

2023 P-HSJCC Conference Planning Committee

The Conference Planning Committee plans to reconvene before end of the Q4 to discuss evaluation report and lesson learned to aid in planning for the 2025 conference.

Communications and Knowledge Exchange (CKE) Committee

The CKE Committee will reconvene in **January 2024** to discuss potential topics to add to the webinar calendar and to walkthrough upcoming knowledge exchange opportunities and future projects. The committee will also discuss ways to support Regional HSJCCs in their engagement.

People with Lived Experience (PWLE) Advisory Committee

The PWLE Advisory Committee last met on **November 7th** to discuss the upcoming networking session at the P-HSJCC 2023 Conference. The committee also discussed opportunities for engaging new members and for regional and local committees to add PWLE to their workplan. The next PWLE Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for **January 2024** to discuss updates to the Terms of Reference and planning for meetings over the next several months.

Anti-Racism Advisory Committee

The ARAC Framework Working Group met on **December 4th** to discuss the framework next steps and to map out sections of the framework. The working group next meeting is scheduled for **January 19th** and will begin working on the first section of the framework.

The larger Anti-Racism Committee will meet again in **February** to discuss member recruitment opportunities, ideas for knowledge exchange and an update on the Anti-Racism Framework development.

Community of Practice (CoP) Update

HSJCC Transition from Custody Network

The HSJCC Transition from Custody Network continues to meet on a regular basis to discuss issues impacting individuals leaving provincial corrections. The Network last met in **December 2023**. A discussion regarding the Red Bag Program was held with members of the Institutional Staff Division from the Ministry of the Solicitor General in attendance to hear feedback directly from members of the Network.

Co-Chairs for the Community Reintegration Planning Tables provided updates on their work, sharing some best practices that have recently been developed regarding identification issues for individuals in custody, as well as related to transitional housing.

The next Transition from Custody Network meeting is scheduled for **February 14th**.

Provincial Projects Updates

Community Reintegration Planning Tables (CRPT)

Between **May and October 2023**, the Phase 1 CRPTs (Toronto South Detention Centre, Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre, Thunder Bay Correctional Centre and Jail and Maplehurst Correctional Centre) have referred a total of 44 cases to the tables. Of those:

- 92% were on remand.
- 100% had housing instability.
- 87% had substance use concerns.
- 69% had mental health concerns.

The tables were able to coordinate referrals through a network of over 130 CRPT members across Sites. Housing and emergency shelter referrals were most common, followed by mental health and substance use support services.

The P-HSJCC Secretariat is continuing to work with the Phase 1 sites to address local challenges, particularly housing and shelter.

For Phase 2 they have held informational sessions and are identifying co-chairs to set up tables at the following sites: Kenora Jail, Vanier Centre for Women, Quinte Detention Centre, Toronto East Detention Centre, Brockville Jail, and Sarnia Jail.

The P-HSJCC Secretariat will continue to provide updates including an update on the evaluation of the Phase 1 sites and the operationalization of Phase 2 sites.

Engaging with Partner Ministries

HSJCC Secretariat & Partner Ministry Meetings

The Secretariat is scheduled to meet with Assistant Deputy Ministers from the Ministries of the Solicitor General and Children, Community and Social Services on **January 24th** to share updates, discuss upcoming initiatives, and identify synergies between our work.