

Provincial Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee Bi-Monthly Updates Minutes

Date: May 18, 2021

Co-Chairs, Policy Support, and HSJCC Secretariat

HSJCC Position	HSJCC Member	✓	R
Provincial Co-Chairs	Katie Almond	✓	
	Sara Dias	✓	
Policy Support (CMHA Ontario)	Christine Conrad, Policy Analyst	✓	
HSJCC Secretariat	Candace Vena, Project Manager	✓	
	Tasha Rennie, Communications & Engagement Officer	✓	
	Andrew Fairbairn, Network Coordinator	✓	
Web Support & CKE Committee Chair	Trevor Tymchuk	✓	

Regional HSJCC Representatives (Voting Members)

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HSJCC	Chair, Co-chairs and Delegate	✓	R
Hamilton/Niagara/Brant/Haldimand/	Trevor Tymchuk	✓	
Norfolk Regional	Amanda Richmond	✓	
Champlain Regional	Jean-Laurent Domingue	✓	
Durham Regional HSJCC	Marni Bell		R
Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes/Pine Ridge	Jonathan Hewitt	✓	
(HKPR) Regional	Teryl Hoefel		R
Halton Regional	Kimberly Cato	✓	
	Katie Howse	✓	
North East Regional	Kamilah Francis	✓	
	Caitlin Germond		R
North West Regional	Jennifer Hyslop		R
	Jenny Leadbeater	✓	
Peel Regional	Jennifer Graham	✓	
	Mary Pagani	✓	
Simcoe Muskoka Regional	Mary Martin	✓	
	Debbie Bigelow	✓	
South East Regional HSJCC	Sharron Brown	✓	
-	Becky Stark	✓	
South West Regional HSJCC	Erika Sweitzer		R
Toronto Regional HSJCC	Susan Davis	✓	
Waterloo-Wellington Regional HSJCC	Joan Nandlal	✓	
	Meredith Gardiner		R
York-South Simcoe Regional HSJCC	Tricia Samaroo	✓	
-	Jason McIlveen		R

Ministry Representatives (Ex-Officio)

Ministry	Representative	✓	R
Correctional Service Canada	Lorena Watson		R
	Jennifer Gravelle		R
Ministry of Children, Community and	Phan Luong	✓	
Social Services (MCCSS)	Zoe Kavoukian-Scharf	✓	
	Caroline Schulz	√	



	Ryan Hodgson		R
	Stephanie Tousignant		R
	Corwin Troje		R
Ministry of the Solicitor General (SolGen)	Keri Zammit	✓	
	Joe Carruthers	✓	
	Chris Herapath		R
	Lindsey Gray		R
Anti-Racism Directorate	Jennifer Louis	✓	
Ministry of Health (MOH)	Dianna Cochrane	✓	
	Amy Herskowitz	✓	
	Breanna Kelly	✓	
	Lina Coladipietro	✓	
Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG)	Rebecca Law		R
	Dena Bonnet	✓	

Other Members (Ex-Officio)

Other Members	Representative	✓	R
CMHA Ontario Division	Shawn Chirrey	✓	
Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) Representation	Mary Tasz		R
•	Aimee Boyer		R
Community Networks of Specialized Care	Lisa Holmes	✓	
Connex Ontario	Lorri Lowe		R
Legal Aid Ontario	Simone Bern	✓	
Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police	Bill Chantler		R
Ontario Provincial Police	Lisa Longworth		R
	Julie Randal		R
Forensic Directors Group	Michelle Davidson		R
Centre for Addiction and Mental Health	Marla Banning		R
Justice for Children and Youth	Mary Birdsell		R
	Samira Ahmed		R
John Howard Society of Ontario	Safiyah Husein	✓	
•	Jacqueline Tasca		R
P-HSJCC PWLE Committee Chairs	Fran Carnerie		R
	Steve Torresan		R

Summary of Action items from May 18, 2021

1	• <u>ACTION:</u> The Secretariat to share the newly created Junior Policy Analyst position with the P-HSJCC and HSJCC mailing list.
2	ACTION: The Secretariat to summarize feedback from the Terms of Reference discussion and propose some language for consideration at the next P-HSJCC Executive Meeting.
3	• ACTION: The Secretariat to circulate the draft document of the proposed regulatory changes to the Correctional Services Act amongst P-HSJCC voting members for approval and then make a submission on behalf of the P-HSJCC by the May 25, 2021, deadline.
4	ACTION: The Secretariat will make a submission to SolGen's amendments to the Community Safety and Well-Being plans on behalf of the P-HSJCC based on the feedback by the deadline June 7, 2021.



Minutes from P-HSJCC Meeting of May 18, 2021		
Item for Discus	sion Discussion	
1) Welcome and Introductions	The Secretariat began the meeting by providing directions and etiquette while using Zoom.	
inti oductions	Co-Chair Katie asked that everyone display their full name in their Zoom display screen to accurately capture attendance moving forward.	
	Co-Chair Katie welcomed all to the meeting of May 18, 2021. There are 12 of 14 voting regions represented.	
	Co-Chair Katie welcomed new Champlain Regional Co-Chair, Jean-Laurent Domingue, Director Patient Care Services, Integrated Forensic Program, The Royal (Ottawa).	
2) Consent Ager	 The Provincial HSJCC membership reviewed the consent agenda for the meeting of May 18, 2021: Agenda of May 18th, 2021 	
	Minutes of March 23rd, 2021 P-HSJCC Monthly Updates Meeting	
	Minutes of April 20, 2021 P-HSJCC Executive Committee Meeting	
	Updates from the Secretariat	
	P-HSJCC's Submission on the Closure of Youth Justice Centres	
	Response from Minister Smith, MCCSS	
	P-HSJCC Submission on the Police Records Check Reform Act Proposed Exemptions	
	MOTION: Joan N motioned to approve the consent agenda, Sharron B. seconded.	
3) New HSJCC Secretariat Po	Shawn Chirrey, Interim Director, CMHA Ontario shared information about the new Junior Policy Analyst position within the HSJCC Secretariat:	
Junior Policy Analyst	 The Junior Policy Analyst position will be a full time, one year contract within the HSJCC Secretariat to support the P-HSJCC and HSJCC network. 	
	The position will be funded through the budget of CMHA Ontario.	
	 The position is scheduled to be posted on Friday May 21st, 2021. 	
	 The Secretariat will share the job posting with the P-HSJCC and circulate via the mailing list. 	
	 Co-Chair Katie noted that the hope would be for the P-HSJCC Secretariat to secure enhanced funding from. the provincial government to extend the Junior Policy Analyst position beyond the one-year contract if such continued support was required. 	
4) Proposed	The Secretariat led a discussion on potential amendments to the background section of the P-HSJCC Terms of	
Amendments	to the Reference with a focus on which categories should be included for consideration of priority populations:	
Terms of Refe		

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Item for Discussion	Discussion	
	 The Secretariat provided feedback from the last P-HSJCC Executive Committee meeting which included a discussion surrounding the absence of categories such as Autism Spectrum and Neurocognitive disorders in the background section of the P-HSJCC Terms of Reference. The Secretariat noted they would like to ensure that the terminology for priority populations in the P-HSJCC Terms of Reference is aligned with what is currently being used within those sectors and by our ministry partners. P-HSJCC members recommended that the current Terms of Reference categories be replaced with wording 	
	that represents a broader definition such as "Complex Human Services Needs" rather than naming specific conditions. ACTION: The Secretariat to summarize feedback from the Terms of Reference discussion and propose some language for consideration at the next P-HSJCC Executive Meeting.	
5) Provincial HSJCC	The Secretariat presented the Provincial HSJCC Honoraria Policy for feedback and approval:	
Honoraria Policy	The Secretariat provided background on how the P-HSJCC is looking at improving engagement with Persons with Lived Experience across the entire network as part of their commitment identified in the P-HSJCC workplan priorities.	
	The Secretariat consulted with the P-HSJCC Persons with Lived Experience Advisory Committee and P-HSJCC Executive Committee for feedback on the Honoraria policy prior to presenting to members at the P-HSJCC meeting.	
	 The P-HSJCC approved the newly developed P-HSJCC Honoraria Policy which provides an overview of the purpose, definitions, eligibility, and payment rates for engaging persons with lived experience at the Provincial level. 	
	Although the policy was specifically developed for the Provincial HSJCC, it will serve as a helpful template for Regional and Local HSJCCs as they aim to improve the engagement of persons with lived experience in their committee's work.	
	MOTION: Joan N motioned to approve the P-HSJCC Honoraria Policy, Mary M seconded.	
6) Consultation with MCCSS Youth Justice Services	Co-Chair Katie introduced and thanked Assistant Deputy Minister, David Mitchell, Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services -Youth Justice Services Division, for taking the time to join the P-HSJCC Bi-Monthly meeting to continue discussions around the closure of youth justice detention centres:	
Division re: Closure	ADM Mitchell addressed members concerns related to the closure of youth justice centres including:	

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Item for Discussion	Discussion	
of Youth Justice		
Centres	 Closures based on bed optimization: Not enough young people to occupy the beds that are available (a good problem to have). Investing in programs that are diverting young people up stream and preventing them from entering the criminal justice system. Have reduced the number of beds (400) in the province for external and custody. Continue to maintain 50 percent to sub 50 percent occupancy. Auditor General and other reports recommended that the system needed to be resized to fit the current demand. 	
	Three things that are considered for the process of the closure of Youth Justice Centers include:	
	 1. Security Young people are not advised of when they are going to moved Probation Officers are informed as the point of contact as it relates to single case management. Probation Officers are responsible for contacting the parents and families to where and when the young people have been moved to. Messages were left when there was no contact with parents and family members. Total of 7 young people in total were moved in the Northern Ontario youth justice centres. None of the young people reported issues of being relocated due to facility closures. ADM Mitchell met with twice with the Council of Ontario Indigenous Elders which resulted in the facilitation of a Circle w so that they Elders could hear directly from the 7 young people about their experience being moved. 	
	 2. Labour Relations Most facilities that were closed were represented by a bargaining agent. Based on experience advance notice of facility closures does not work. Advance notice of facility closures takes away from the focus on the young people. More facility employees call in sick when they are given news weeks prior that their employment will be terminated. Less disruption in the programming of young people in the facilities. 	
	 3. Program Continuity None of the young people in the north were transferred to a facility in the south Connected to Community strategy in place that used IPads to facilitate visits 	

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Mental health supports remain in the system and are currently being reviewed to help broaden and enhancing those supports with regards to external connections and internal capacity. Based on reduced numbers at facilities there is now more capacity support their young people's mental health needs. ara asked ADM Mitchell the following question: at plans are in place for the infrastructure of facilities that are closing and if there are any plans to consult local service providers about the utilization of these facilities?" all provided the following responses: Facility utilization planning would depend on who owns the physical structure e.g government owned or transfer payment of recipient. Three facilities in the north have repurpose provisions Toronto East has repurposed facilities for human trafficking safe houses Facilities that are not owned government have the discretion to choose what they would like to do with them post closure.
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Item for Discussion	Discussion	
	Establishment of an Executive Advisory Committee to help guide the project throughout the duration of the contribution of the agreement.	
	Explored what the major challenges and opportunities are in mental health and justice system by commissioning a scoping review and survey.	
	Published a national evidence report which served as base for discussion at a national forum in March 2019 which brought together stakeholders across Canada to identify priority areas of action in mental health and justice.	
	The MHCC discussed the following resources:	
	The Mental Health Needs of Justice-Involved Persons –Infographic	
	 https://www.mentalhealthcommission.ca/English/media/4474 The Mental Health Needs of Justice-Involved Persons - A Rapid Scoping Review of the Literature: 	
	https://www.mentalhealthcommission.ca/English/media/4415	
	> The National Inventory of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Report (set to be released summer	
	2021). ➤ COVID-19 and Corrections Policy Brief (set to be released summer 2021).	
	The MHCC discussed a scoping exercise project that focused on the state of mental health crisis interventions involving and not involving police in Canada.	
	 This exercise included key informant interviews, rapid review of literature of police and non police models conducted by CAMH and the University of Toronto, media scan (set to be finished in the summer of 2021). 	
	MHCC discussed four key activities as part of their work plan:	
	Development of a National Action Plan	
	2. Support community-based peer support programs	
	3. Enhancing community supports with an emphasis on transition services	
	 Knowledge Exchange and promote the mental health needs of people who are involved with the criminal justice system 	

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	Minutes from P-HSJCC Meeting of May 18, 2021		
		Discussion	
		 The Secretariat noted that there may be opportunities for future consultation/collaboration with the HSJCC Network on all of the MHCC's key activities. 	
8)	Discussion re: Key messages for	The Secretariat led discussions on confirming key messages for the Ministry of Solicitor General proposed regulatory changes:	
	SolGen Regulatory Changes	Discussion re: SolGen's Proposed Regulatory Amendments – Changes to the Correctional Services Act	
		The Ministry of the Solicitor General was looking for public feedback on the proposed regulatory changes to the Correctional Services Act related to:	
		 Segregation Discipline and misconduct of persons in custody Mandatory Training 	
		The Secretariat proposed the following key messages to be included in a submission:	
		Recommending that none of the P-HSJCC identified populations with unique needs that are in corrections be placed in segregation and that the diagnosis is not necessary or recommended.	
		 Amy commented that the Ministry of Health has history identified serious mental illness as falling under the three D's (Diagnosis, Duration and Disability) meaning if one of those three D's are captured, it may qualify without the requirement for all three. The community mental health sector does not require diagnosis for eligibility of services and programming. 	
		The Secretariat brought attention to the race base data that is collected by the ministry:	
		➤ Individuals that were in segregation from 2019 to 2020:	
		o 14 percent identified as Black	
		 11 percent identified as Indigenous 7.8 percent identified as another racial identity 	
		Members indicated independent reviews should be conducted (independent meaning those not employed by the Ministry of the Solicitor General)	

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Minutes from P-HSJCC Meeting of May 18, 2021					
Item for Discussion	Discussion				
	Multi-disciplinary approach				
	Recommendation that correctional staff training on mental illnesses and substance use and other complex conditions				
	> Recommendation that persons with lived experience be trained to deliver training to staff				
	<u>ACTION:</u> The Secretariat to circulate draft document amongst P-HSJCC voting members for approval and then make a submission on behalf of the P-HSJCC by the May 25, 2021, deadline.				
	2. Discussion re: SolGen's Proposed Regulation – Community Safety and Well-Being Plans:				
	The Ministry of the Solicitor General was requesting public feedback on a proposed regulation related to a review and revision period for community safety and well-being plans as follow:				
	> 1.For the purposes of subsection 255 (1) of the Act, a municipal council must review and, if appropriate, revise its community safety and well-being plan within four years after the day the plan was adopted.				
	 Co-Chair Sara proposed that a submission be made knowing the North West regional has been active in developing the plans and driving some of the agenda's at local tables with data that could be used for discussion at the provincial table. 				
	ACTION: The Secretariat will make a submission on behalf of the P-HSJCC based on the feedback by the deadline June 7, 2021.				
Regional HSJCC and Partner Updates					
4) F. P. : 1110100 P					

- 1) For Regional HSJCCs Do you have representation from corrections on your Regional or Local Committees?
- If not, what are some potential barriers to participation?Is there any information that you would like to share that could help support the HSJCC Network during this time?
- 3) How can the PHSJCC and Secretariat support you?

7) Updates from Regional HSJCCs and Partners	Regional HSJCC Representatives (Voting Members)
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Item for Discussion	Discussion		
	HSJCC	Person that provided update	Information Shared
	нивни	Trevor	No updates
	Champlain	Jean-Laurent	• N/A
	Durham	N/A	No updates
	HKPR	Jonathan	 Look at launching an Indigenous People Court in Peterborough and was looking for feedback on how others are funding their specialized courts. The Secretariat to send out message on behalf of HKPR
	Halton	Katie/ Kimberly	 Completed Terms of Reference Funded a program related to hate crimes which included a survey that was conducted through the Halton Coalition for Prevention of Hate Crimes
	North East	Kamilah	No updates
	North West	Jenny	Issue management related to transfer of care to schedule 1 in rural areas. Whose obligation it is to transfer individuals based on a form 1 under the mental health act for areas that do not have schedule 1 facilities. There are two Schedule 1 facilities in the NW in Kenora and Thunder Bay. Looking for potential funding to help fund a program in the NW and other areas of Ontario that may be facing similar issues. Co-Chairs proposed as a presentation at the next HSJCC meeting.
	Peel	Jennifer G	 No funding in their region for Drug Treatment Courts as it related to HKPR's questions on specialized court funding Meeting in June scheduled
	Simcoe-Muskoka	Mary	 Mary announced this is her last HSJCC meeting due to retirement June 10th a speaker coming in to speak about racism
	South West	Erika	• N/A

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Provincial HSJCC	Minutes from P-HSJCC Meeting of May 18, 2021		
Item for Discussion	Discussion		
	South East	Sharron	Sharron is retiring on the June 4th and Becky will continue to chair the regional table
	Toronto	Susan	No updates
	Waterloo-Wellington	N/A	No updates
	York-South Simcoe	Tricia	 Purchased gift cards in \$50 and \$100 dominations to help support any individuals that are justice involved and may have mental health or addiction concerns. Will be distributed to committee members that may have clients in the York Region catchment.
	Ministry Representatives (Ex-Officio)		
	Ministry	Person that provided update	Information Shared
	Corrections Service Canada	N/A	N/A
	SolGen– Correctional Services	Keri	No updates
	SolGen – Public Safety Division	Joe	 No updates Lindsay Gray has been added as a second team lead
	SolGen- Anti-Racism Division	Jennifer	No updates
	мон	Dianne	Clarified that secure treatment is under MOH. Encouraged to follow up with them if there are any questions based on today's discussions.
	MAG	Dena	No updates

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Item for Discussion	Discussion		
	MCCSS – Youth Justice Services Division	Phan	
	MCCSS – Community Services Division	N/A	No updates
	Other Members (Ex-Officio)		
	Other Members	Person that provided update	Information Shared
	CMHA Ontario	Shawn	 Thank you to everyone who addended the Survivors of Homicide Victims forum that was fund by the ARD. HSJCC Junior Analyst posting Drug Treatment Court project on cannabis treatment with John Howard Society is moving ahead Ontario Big City Mayor's mental health and drug addiction strategy with some interest in release from custody issues
	LHIN	N/A	
	Community Networks of Specialized Care	Lisa	No Updates
	Legal Aid Ontario	Simone	• N/A
	Connex Ontario	Lorrie	• N/A
	OACP	Bill	• N/A
	Forensic Directors Group	Michelle	• N/A
	OPP	Lisa	• N/A
	CAMH PSSP	Marla	• N/A
	John Howard Society of Ontario	Safiyah	• N/A
	Justice for Children and Youth	Mary	• N/A

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Item for Discussion	Discussion		
	P-HSJCC PWLE Committee	Fran / Steve	• N/A
13) Meeting adjournment	The Provincial HSJCC mo	eeting of May 18,	2021 adjourned at approximately 4:00PM.
Next P-HSJCC Monthly Updates Meeting: July 20, 2021 – 2:00 pm – 4:00pm			
Virtual Platform: Zoom			

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