



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

Date: November 23, 2021

## Co-Chairs, Policy Support, and HSJCC Secretariat

HSJCC Position	HSJCC Member	✓	R
Provincial Co-Chairs	Katie Almond	✓	
	Sara Dias	✓	
Policy Support (CMHA Ontario)	TBA, Policy Analyst		
	Jason Dela Pena, Junior 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)

HSJCC	Chair, Co-chairs and Delegate	✓	R
Hamilton/Niagara/Brant/Haldimand/ Norfolk Regional	Trevor Tymchuk	✓	
	Satar Wahidi		R
	Mary Ellen Ruddell	✓	
Champlain Regional	Brian Merkley	✓	
	Sarah Telford		R
Durham Regional HSJCC	Katie Sansom		R
	Sheila Gallagher		R
Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes/Pine Ridge (HKPR) Regional	Jonathan Hewitt	✓	
	Teryl Hoefel		R
Halton Regional	Kimberly Cato	✓	
	Katie Howse		R
North East Regional	Caitlin Germond	✓	
	Kim McBride	✓	
North West Regional	Jennifer Hyslop	✓	
	Jenny Leadbeater	✓	
Peel Regional	Jennifer Graham		R
	Mary Pagani		R
Simcoe Muskoka Regional	Debbie Bigelow	✓	
	Terri-Lynn Dodgson	✓	
South East Regional HSJCC	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		R
	Jason McIlveen	✓	

## Ministry Representatives (Ex-Officio)

Ministry	Representative	✓	R
Correctional Service Canada	Brooklyn Stroeder	✓	

<b>Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS)</b>	Phan Luong		<b>R</b>
	Zoe Kavoukian-Scharf	✓	
	Jacqueline Doig Moore	✓	
	Shaun Gluckman	✓	
	Stephanie Tousignant	✓	
	Corwin Troje		<b>R</b>
	Elena Angeloni	✓	
	Maria Rojas Vargas	✓	
	Fadila Ahmed	✓	
	Jonathan Zissakos	✓	
	Yasmina Vojinic	✓	
<b>Ministry of the Solicitor General (SolGen)</b>	Keri Zammit		<b>R</b>
	Jackie Natrass	✓	
	Joe Carruthers	✓	
	Amy Herskowitz	✓	
	Jessica Mahon	✓	
	Neil Alexander	✓	
	Natasha Gibbs-Watson	✓	
	Brad Gill Tamcsu	✓	
<b>Anti-Racism Directorate</b>	TBA		
<b>Ministry of Health (MOH)</b>	Dianna Cochrane	✓	
	Breanna Kelly	✓	
	Lina Coladipietro	✓	
<b>Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG)</b>	Rebecca Law		<b>R</b>
	Dena Bonnet	✓	

#### Other Members (Ex-Officio)

Other Members	Representative	✓	R
<b>CMHA Ontario Division</b>	Shawn Chirrey	✓	
<b>Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) Representation</b>	Mary Tasz		<b>R</b>
	Aimee-Lee Boyer		<b>R</b>
<b>Community Networks of Specialized Care</b>	Lisa Holmes		<b>R</b>
<b>Connex Ontario</b>	Lorri Lowe	✓	
<b>Legal Aid Ontario</b>	TBA		
<b>Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police</b>	TBA		
<b>Ontario Provincial Police</b>	Lisa Longworth	✓	
	Julie Randal	✓	
	Chantal Dupuis	✓	
<b>Forensic Directors Group</b>	Michelle Davidson	✓	
<b>Centre for Addiction and Mental Health</b>	Marla Banning	✓	
<b>Justice for Children and Youth</b>	Mary Birdsell		<b>R</b>
<b>John Howard Society of Ontario</b>	Safiyah Husein	✓	
	Jacqueline Tasca		<b>R</b>
<b>P-HSJCC Persons With Lived Experience Committee Chairs</b>	Fran Carnerie		
	Steve Torresan		

**Summary of Action items from November 23, 2021**

1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><u>ACTION:</u></b> Secretariat to table Transfer of Care to Schedule 1 Facilities as a follow item for discussion at a future P-HSJCC meeting.</li> </ul>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><u>ACTION:</u></b> The Secretariat to provide P-HSJCC members an infographic overview of the 2021 P-HSJCC Conference by the end of November.</li> </ul>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><u>ACTION:</u></b> The Secretariat to share preliminary results with ministry Transition from Custody before submission.</li> </ul>

**Minutes from P-HSJCC Meeting of November 23, 2021**

<b>Item for Discussion</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<p><b>1) Welcome and Introductions</b></p>	<p>P-HSJCC Co-Chair, Sara Dias asked that everyone display their full name in their Zoom display screen to accurately capture attendance moving forward.</p> <p>Co-Chair Sara welcomed all to the meeting of November 23, 2021. There are 12 of 14 voting regions represented.</p> <p>Secretariat Program Manager, Candace Vena welcomed the new Provincial HSJCC members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mary Ellen Ruddell, Director, Mental Health Court Support and Peer Support Services, Co-Chair of Hamilton Niagara Brant Haldimand Norfolk Regional HSJCC</li> <li>• Kim McBride, Justice Worker, Canadian Mental Health Association, Sault Ste Marie Branch, Co-Chair of North East Regional HSJCC</li> <li>• Elena Angeloni, Manager of the new Clinical Interventions Unit, Youth Justice Division, MCCSS</li> <li>• Maria Rojas Vargas, Program Analyst, Clinical Interventions Unit, Youth Justice Division, MCCSS</li> <li>• Fadila Ahmed, Policy and Program Analyst, Specialized Services and Education Unit, Youth Justice Division, MCCSS</li> </ul>
<p><b>2) Land Acknowledgement</b></p>	<p>Co-Chair Sara acknowledged that the Provincial HSJCC Secretariat is committed to providing a land acknowledgement at each meeting and will rotate through the membership list for each P-HSJCC meeting.</p> <p>HKPR Regional Co-Chair, Jonathan Hewitt provided the Land Acknowledgement.</p>
<p><b>3) Consent Agenda</b></p>	<p>The Provincial HSJCC membership reviewed the consent agenda for the meeting of November 23, 2021:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agenda of November 23rd, 2021, P-HSJCC Meeting</li> <li>• Minutes of September 21st, 2021 P-HSJCC Meeting</li> <li>• Minutes of October 19th, 2021 P-HSJCC Executive Committee Meeting</li> <li>• Follow up Submission from SolGen's Engagement Session on Community Reintegration</li> <li>• Submission on SolGen's Changes to Regulation 778 Related to Searches</li> </ul> <p><b><u>MOTION:</u></b> Jennifer H motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded and Brian M</p>

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<p><b>4) Congratulations on 2021 Provincial HSJCC Conference</b></p>	<p>Shawn Chirrey, Interim Director, CMHA Ontario Public Policy congratulated members who participated in the 2021 Provincial HSJCC Conference that was held virtually from November 16-17<sup>th</sup> 2021. Shawn noted to members that there were over 700 people who had registered for the event and that the Secretariat would debrief and provide members an infographic overview of the conference by the end of November.</p> <p><b><u>ACTION:</u></b> The Secretariat to provide P-HSJCC members an infographic overview of the conference.</p>
<p><b>5) P-HSJCC Financial Update &amp; Reallocation of Discretionary Funds</b></p>	<p>Secretariat Project Manager Candace Vena provided a financial update and reminder regarding the reallocation of P-HSJCC discretionary funds for 2021-2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The P-HSJCC has discretionary funds from its budget available due to the impact of the pandemic and inability to convene in person meetings this fiscal year. The P-HSJCC has decided to reallocate these funds back down to Regional and Local committees to be used for direct client impact.</li> <li>• Each region will be offered \$1415.00. If committees wish to decline the funds, they are asked that they notify the Secretariat by December 1st, 2021. If committees wish to decline, the P-HSJCC will reallocate these funds evenly to committees who have indicated they are accepting the funds.</li> </ul>
<p><b>6) HSJCC Network Priority Setting</b></p>	<p>The Secretariat Project Manager Candance Vena led members through the HSJCC priority setting process for the new 2022-2025 P-HSJCC work planning cycle:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Provincial HSJCC's work plan will be informed by the priorities identified by the members of the Regional and Local HSJCCs, Ministry partners, provincial partners, people with lived experience as well as other important stakeholders working with the HSJCC Network. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Regional HSJCC Chairs to add the Priority Setting Exercise to one of their meeting agendas between now and December.</li> <li>➤ Ministry partners, ex-officio organization and other key stakeholder agencies are asked to consult with their members between now and December.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ People with lived experience involved in a committee or community of practice are encouraged to provide their feedback. Regional and Local Chairs are encouraged to offer any support and assistance with completing the survey. An honorarium will be provided for their time and feedback.</li> <li>• All survey responses are to be submitted by December 15, 2021. For more information about the work plan development process, please contact Candace Vena.</li> <li>• Trevor flagged if there will there be enough time for priority setting based on past exercises.</li> <li>• The Secretariat will dedicate 60 minutes to the priority setting exercise as an agenda item for the January HSJCC meeting.</li> </ul>
<p><b>7) Issue Management Session: Transfer of Care to Schedule 1 Facilities: Presentation from Ontario Provincial Police (OPP)</b></p>	<p>Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) representatives Lisa Longworth and Chantal Dupuis presented on Patient Transportation and Security as a follow up to previous discussions around issues re: transfer of care to schedule 1 facilities in rural areas of the province at the July P-HSJCC meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OPP confirmed based on key stakeholder feedback that the transfer of patients to Schedule 1 facilities, along with patient security, are the most significant issues related to police-hospital transitions across Ontario in rural communities.</li> <li>• Discussions around potential opportunities to address these issues included examining existing decision-making trees and policies to assist with local partnerships, expanding the MHAT Regional Trials across all of Ontario and improved collaboration with First Nations communities.</li> <li>• P-HSJCC member feedback included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Is there a role for telehealth to be used in the process?</li> <li>➤ Can mental health professionals be trained in security?</li> <li>➤ Conduct an environmental scan to see if this is being done in other parts of the province.</li> <li>➤ More exploration needed outside of the hospital/police model.</li> <li>➤ Ministry partners from public safety would be interested in being involved.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ (MOH) can share an example of decision-making transportation tree from CAMH for discussion on how local partners can work together to develop decision trees/policies.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Members agreed this is a complex issue that requires further discussion. Secretariat to table as an item for discussion at a future P-HSJCC meeting.</p>
<p><b>8) Overview of Results from HSJCC Transition from Custody Network Late Releases Survey</b></p>	<p>Co-Chair Jan Goatcher from the Transition from Custody Network and the Secretariat provided an overview of the preliminary results of the Late Releases Survey and next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Highlights from Demographics:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 93 Total Survey Responses (includes service providers, family members or friends, and people with lived experience)</li> <li>➤ Survey respondents represented 27 of the 34 Ontario Public Health Units</li> <li>➤ Releases from all 25 provincial correctional institutions were represented in the survey.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Key Themes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Preliminary findings suggests that there is an issue of late releases that contributes to negative outcomes.</li> <li>➤ Many key essential services close after 5pm and individuals who experience a late release have limited access to services</li> <li>➤ The issue of eligibility relates to an additional service barrier for justice-involved populations.</li> <li>➤ There is a varying quality of discharge planning with a need for more “realistic” supports or meeting clients where they’re at.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Next Steps:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Continued analysis of survey results</li> <li>➤ Further engagement &amp; interpretation of survey results with the Transition from Custody Network and Survey Respondents</li> <li>➤ Report to the Ministry of the Solicitor General and Ministry of the Attorney General</li> <li>➤ Continued communication and collaboration with ministry partners and survey respondents</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>9) Release of P-HSJCC PWLE Guidebook</b></p>	<p>The Secretariat Communication and Engagement Officer Tasha Rennie presented on the release of the PWLE Guidebook and anticipated next steps for this work:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guidebook was officially released on November 22nd. This was sent to all Local and Regional HSJCCs, shared on social and is now on the HSJCC website for download.</li> <li>• The PWLE Committee's next steps include a P-HSJCC webinar, follow up with co-chairs/committee visits and evaluation.</li> <li>• Action items for Regional and Local Chairs include:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Review guidebook</li> <li>➤ Share with committee members</li> <li>➤ Schedule time at a future meeting to discuss committee's goals</li> <li>➤ Develop action plan for improving the engagement of people with lived experience.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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**Regional HSJCC and Partner Updates**

<p>1) Is there any information that you would like to share that could help support the HSJCC Network during this time?          2) How can the PHSJCC and Secretariat support you?</p>
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<b>7) Updates from Regional HSJCCs and Partners</b>	<b>Regional HSJCC Representatives (Voting Members)</b>		
	<b>HSJCC</b>	<b>Person that provided update</b>	<b>Information Shared</b>
	<b>HNBHN</b>	Trevor	Working on Priority Setting and the HNBHN would accept the reallocation of discretionary funds.
	<b>Champlain</b>	Brain/Sarah	
	<b>Durham</b>	Katie/Sheila	



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	<b>HKPR</b>	Jonathan	Next meeting on Friday November 26 <sup>th</sup> where the committee will decide if they will accept the reallocation of discretionary funds.
	<b>Halton</b>	Katie/ Kimberly	
	<b>North East</b>	Caitlin/Kim	Kim McBride joined the regional committee as a Co-Chair. The regional committee met last week.
	<b>North West</b>	Jenny/ Jennifer	Will accept reallocation of discretionary funds and have sent survey out to members on how they would like to allocate the funds. Will be meeting in partnership with Kenora Rainy River on December 6 to conduct a priority exercise. Letter of Support for regional MHAT.
	<b>Peel</b>	Mary/Jennifer	
	<b>Simcoe-Muskoka</b>	Debbie /Terri	Dec 6 next meeting and allocated time for priority setting. Debbie last day as Co-chair December 6. Katherine Hart will be the new Co-chair in January 2022.
	<b>South West</b>	N/A	
	<b>South East</b>	N/A	
	<b>Toronto</b>	Susan	
	<b>Waterloo-Wellington</b>	Joan	
	<b>York-South Simcoe</b>	Jason	Meeting in December and interested in reallocation of the discretionary funds
<b>Ministry Representatives (Ex-Officio)</b>			
	<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Person that provided update</b>	<b>Information Shared</b>
	<b>Corrections Service Canada</b>	N/A	

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	<b>SolGen– Correctional Services (Policing Standards)</b>	N/A	
	<b>SolGen – Public Safety Division</b>	Neil	Engagement with local service providers with 5 locations for phase 1 with a focus to construct a Terms of Reference for the local planning tables with focus on community reintegration.
	<b>SolGen- Anti-Racism Division</b>	TBA	
	<b>MOH</b>	N/A	
	<b>MAG</b>	Dina	An announcement from MAG on an investment of \$72 million over 2 years to support the backlog of criminal cases due to COVID-19. Includes a COVID-19 recovery directive. <a href="https://news.ontario.ca/en/release/1001076/ontario-introduces-new-measures-to-address-court-backlog">https://news.ontario.ca/en/release/1001076/ontario-introduces-new-measures-to-address-court-backlog</a>
	<b>MCCSS – Youth Justice Services Division</b>	Zoe	No updates
	<b>MCCSS – Community and Developmental Services Division</b>	Shaun	The Developmental Services Ontario website has been updated. Developmental Services Ontario (DSO) is the access point for adult developmental services funded by the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS) in Ontario. There are 9 DSO locations across the province <a href="http://www.dsontario.ca">www.dsontario.ca</a>
<b>Other Members (Ex-Officio)</b>			
	<b>Other Members</b>	<b>Person that provided update</b>	<b>Information Shared</b>
	<b>CMHA Ontario</b>	Shawn	
	<b>LHIN</b>	N/A	

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	<b>Community Networks of Specialized Care</b>	N/A
	<b>Legal Aid Ontario</b>	N/A
	<b>Connex Ontario</b>	Lori End of September celebrated 30 years of Connex, approved strategic plan, 27/7 texting offered at 247247
	<b>OACP</b>	TBA
	<b>Forensic Directors Group</b>	N/A
	<b>OPP</b>	N/A
	<b>CAMH PSSP</b>	N/A
	<b>John Howard Society of Ontario</b>	N/A
	<b>Justice for Children and Youth</b>	N/A
	<b>P-HSJCC People With Lived Experience (PWLE) Committee</b>	N/A
<b>13) Meeting adjournment</b>  <b>Next P-HSJCC Monthly Updates Meeting:</b> January 18, 2021 – 2:00pm – 4:00pm  Virtual Platform: Zoom	The Provincial HSJCC meeting of November 23, 2021, adjourned at approximately 4:00PM.	