

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

Date: January 18, 2022

Co-Chairs, Policy Support, and HSJCC Secretariat

HSJCC Position	HSJCC Member	✓	R
Provincial Co-Chairs	Katie Almond	✓	
	Sara Dias	✓	
Policy Support (CMHA Ontario)	TBD, Policy Analyst		
	Justin 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/	Trevor Tymchuk	✓	
Norfolk Regional	Satar Wahidi		R
	Mary Ellen Ruddell	✓	
Champlain Regional	Brian Merkley	✓	
	Sarah Telford	✓	
Durham Regional HSJCC	Katie Sansom	✓	
	Sheila Gallagher		R
	Nicole Tracy	✓	
Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes/Pine Ridge	Jonathan Hewitt	✓	
(HKPR) Regional	Teryl Hoefel		R
Halton Regional	Kimberly Cato	✓	
	Katie Howse	✓	
North East Regional	Caitlin Germond	✓	
	Kim McBride	✓	
North West Regional	Jennifer Hyslop	✓	
	Jenny Leadbeater	✓	
Peel Regional	Jennifer Graham	✓	
	Mary Pagani		R
Simcoe Muskoka Regional	Katherine Hunt	✓	
	Terri-Lynn Dodgson	✓	
South East Regional HSJCC	Becky Stark	✓	
	Julie Lambert	✓	
South West Regional HSJCC	Erika Sweitzer	✓	
Toronto Regional HSJCC	Susan Davis	✓	
Waterloo-Wellington Regional HSJCC	Joan Nandlal	✓	
	Meredith Gardiner		R
York-South Simcoe Regional HSJCC	Tricia Samaroo	✓	
	Jason McIlveen	✓	

Ministry Representatives (Ex-Officio)



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

Other Members (Ex-Officio)

Other Members (Ex-Officio)			
Other Members	Representative	✓	R
CMHA Ontario Division	Shawn Chirrey	✓	
Home and Community Care Support	Mary Tasz		R
Services (former LHINs)			K
	Aimee-Lee Boyer		R
Community Networks of Specialized Care	Lisa Holmes	✓	
Connex Ontario	Lorri Lowe	✓	
Legal Aid Ontario	TBD		
Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police	Joe Couto		R
Ontario Provincial Police	Lisa Longworth		R
	Julie Randal		R
	Chantal Dupuis		R
Forensic Directors Group	Michelle Davidson		R
Centre for Addiction and Mental Health	Marla Banning		R
Justice for Children and Youth	Mary Birdsell	✓	
John Howard Society of Ontario	Safiyah Husein	✓	
·	Jacqueline Tasca		R
Mental Health Commission of Canada	Tanya Miller	✓	
	Krystal Kelly	✓	
P-HSJCC People with Lived Experience	Fran Carnerie		В
Committee Chairs			R
	Steve Torresan	✓	



Summary of Action items January 18, 2022

1	•	ACTION: The Secretariat to provide the Priority Setting Exercise presentation slide to committee members.
2	•	ACTION: The Secretariat will work with the Executive Committee to develop the 2022-2023 work plan based on the feedback from today's meeting. A draft of the 2022-2023 P-HSJCC workplan will be presented at the March 2022 meeting.



	Minutes from P-HSJCC Meeting of January 18, 2022	
Item for Discussion	Discussion	
Welcome and Introductions	P-HSJCC Co-Chair, Sara Dias asked that everyone display their full name in their Zoom display screen to accurately capture attendance moving forward.	
	Co-Chair Sara welcomed all to the meeting of January 18, 2022. There are 14 of 14 voting regions represented.	
	Co-Chair Sara officially welcomed the Mental Health Commission of Canada as a new ex-officio member of the P-HSJCC. Representatives include Tanya Miller, Justice Program Manager and Krystal Kelly, Program Coordinator.	
	Co-Chair, Sara welcomed the new Provincial HSJCC members:	
	Danny Morton, Legal Counsel, Indigenous Justice Division of MAG	
	Katherine Hunt, Youth Mental Health Court Worker, Co-Chair of Simcoe Muskoka HSJCC	
	 Julie Lambert, Manager, Addiction and Mental Health Services Kitchener Frontenac Lennox Addington, Co-Chair of South East HSJCC 	
	Joe Couto, Director of Government Relations and Communications, Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police	
2) Land Acknowledgement	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.	
	Champlain Regional Co-Chair, Sarah Telford provided the Land Acknowledgement.	
3) Consent Agenda	The Provincial HSJCC membership reviewed the consent agenda for the meeting of January18, 2022:	
	Agenda of November 23rd, 2021, P-HSJCC Meeting	
	Agenda of January 18, 2022, P-HSJCC Meeting	
	Minutes of November 23, 2021, P-HSJCC Meeting	
	Minutes of December 14, 2021, P-HSJCC Executive Committee Meeting	
	Updates from the Secretariat	
	MOTION: Jennifer Hyslop motioned to approve the consent agenda, Trevor Tymchuk seconded.	

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1 TATELOGIA	Minutes from P-HSJCC Meeting of January 18, 2022
Item for Discussion	Discussion
4) Overview of HSJCC Network Priority Setting Survey Results	Secretariat Project Manager, Candace Vena provided an overview of the HSJCC Network priority survey results which included common strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, current initiatives, challenges within regions, top priorities, and ways to improve communication and collaboration between the P-HSJCC and HSJCC network:
	Common Strengths:
	Collaborative nature of the P-HSJCC table
	Ability to strategically share information amongst organizations
	Strong advocacy for priority populations
	Ability to adapt to virtual world –increased access to services for clients
	Strong lived experience voice within committees
	Dedicated community organizations and strong relationships built
	Common Weaknesses:
	Lack of appropriate funding/stretched for resources
	Competing priorities for committee members
	Lack of consistent attendance at meetings
	Staff retention, especially in light of the pandemic
	Member engagement at both the regional and local levels
	Access to court –virtual options not being leveraged/purchased
	Geographical distances make transportation/connections to immediate services difficult
	Common Opportunities:
	To be proactive and reach out to communities about who we are and what we do
	To diversify and grow membership, increase representation
	Create meaningful relationships with Indigenous communities and organizations
	Maximize communications between probation and parole and inmate liaison officers
	New community reintegration officers will be funded in the community
	Many learnings from the pandemic –continue to improve outcomes for clients
	Common Threats:
	High rates of staff turnover –lost knowledge transfer
	Pandemic continues to pose many threats to community needs as many services have not returned to in
	person models, i.e. courts, back log of clients and longer waitlists
	➤ Lack of adequate resources and programs to address complex issues and complex individuals –organizations
	are stretched too thin



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	 Pandemic exhaustion leading to compassion fatigue as well as significant potential for burnout of management and organizational leaders, modified work hours, changing positions Competing priorities leads to lack of attendance at meetings Lack of dedicated positions to support the functions of the Regional and Local tables leads to inability of committees to complete timely and actionable work Lack of affordable housing exacerbated during pandemic
	Based on the results, the following top challenges were identified by HSJCCs, ex-officio partners and stakeholders, and people with lived experience (PWLE)
	 Safe & Affordable Housing Insufficient Resources & Funding Issues for Specialized Populations (Black, Indigenous & Racialized Populations, Youth) Community Reintegration Efforts Impact of COVID-19 on HSJCC Network Crisis Response Substance Use Issues Cross Collaboration and Communication Issues Membership and Engagement Complex Needs
5) P-HSJCC Priority Setting & Workplan Development	ACTION: The Secretariat to provide the presentation slide to committee members. Secretariat Project Manager Candace Vena led a discussion on potential opportunities and feedback for the P-HSJCC 2022-2025 priority setting and workplan development challenges that were identified: 1. Safe and affordable housing • Potential Opportunities: Continued advocacy and participation in ministry and key stakeholder consultations for justice population
	 Relationship building with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – invitation to P-HSJCC table Begin engagement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Feedback: Mixed housing models – combining affordable housing with regular housing Rent geared to income mixed with market value units, is one way of reducing poverty type issues of crime Not enough stock to utilize people to get into a subsidized housing units

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Item for Discussion			
	 Important to look at new partners not sitting at table (i.e., Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Association of Municipalities of Ontario) Incorporate other recommendations in the report which specifically look at core services, continuity of care/discharge planning, education and training, increased access to legal services - One key area to add is also on the revision of ODSP and Ontario Works policies Continued knowledge exchange activities (webinars, newsletters, etc.) 		
	 2. Insufficient Resources Funding Potential Opportunities: Advocacy for increased funding for our network and specific asks through the P-HSJCC pre-budget submissions Leverage findings from the specialized courts form to advocate for funding for therapeutic courts Continued opportunities to provide submissions to ministry partners and key stakeholders re: specific issues and funding requests Feedback: Funding ask should have a core service focus instead of looking at new programming, need to ensure there is funding for existing core services. Get people into positions who want therapeutic courts in that area – i.e., judges 		
	 3. Specialized Populations Potential Opportunities: Black, Indigenous and Racialized Population P-HSJCC Anti-racism committee to guide the work of the P-HSJCC in support of broader network (knowledge exchange, member engagement and development of provincial framework) Examine who may be missing from the P-HSJCC to represent these voices Youth Leverage network to identify gaps and needs for youth in the justice system (i.e., inventory of current programming for youth with complex needs involved in justice system) Opportunities for the Transition from Custody Network to address issues around youth reintegration Continued relationship building with key stakeholders and identify those who may be missing from the P-HSJCC Feedback: Recommendation that all local and regional committees attend a training by the University of Alberta – Indigenous Canada 		

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Item for Discussion	Item for Discussion Discussion	
	Engaging with the Law Commission of Canada, which will "include studying important topics in the legal system such as systemic racism, access to justice, reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples"	
	 Community Reintegration Potential Opportunities: Transition from Custody Network to provide advice and guidance to P-HSJCC on priority issues and advocate for solutions. Member engagement and improved communications –ensuring representation from corrections on HSJCCs. Working alongside SolGen's community reintegration strategy –determining role of HSJCCs with new community reintegration tables. Feedback: Members were interested to learn more about community reintegration tables, including how they will function and what outcomes they will achieve. SolGen representative provided the following information on Community Reintegration Tables: Community Reintegration tables are intended to support more consistent practice across the province CRT's are localized tables connected to custody institutions, with an institution specific focus on community reintegration with key players involved at each table High risk and high needs offender might be brought to these tables to assist with transitions from custody 	
	 5. Impact of Covid 19 on the HSJCC Network Potential Opportunities: Secretariat to facilitate a networking opportunity for HSJCC members to share ideas and best practices around access to technology, virtual courts and other support services Explore updated inventory of specialized courts across the province and advocate for consistent funding Continued knowledge exchange opportunities through meetings, newsletters, webinars to hear how the pandemic is impacting service provision Continued P-HSJCC submissions as issues arise Feedback: Access is always a topic of conversation in the Northwest Libraries have been very helpful for people to access free internet and tablets for court matters (when libraries are not needing to be closed due to provincial COVID-19 measures) It seems that every region does virtual court differently. Helping to standardize would be useful 	
	6. Crisis Response • Potential Opportunities:	

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Item for Discussion			
	 Supporting ongoing work around MCRT framework and toolkit (official release and knowledge exchange activities) 		
	Promotion and possible follow up activities on Police Hospital Transitions (send out a survey, revisions to framework)		
	Work with OPP, OACP and partner ministries to explore solutions around transfer of care and transportation issue		
	Feedback:		
	Some clarification requested on the Police Hospital Transition & MCRT Framework suggests that Knowledge Exchange could be helpful once released		
	Hospitals and Police are not following the Police Hospital Transitions Framework, so a review of what is happening with that would likely be informative		
	Members recommended to include non-police model as part of the 3 year plan		
	Recent human rights report supports the growth of non-police response teams		
	Police would be grateful if there were more resources to hire crisis workers to sit alongside them at call centres. Currently police are funding Crises Call Diversion programs themselves		
	> OPP Crises Call Diversion program could be expanded to small community police services perhaps including Child Youth sector as well for collaboration		
	Advocacy on expansion and evaluation of MCRT Teams effectiveness		
	> Rapid Scoping Project in partnership with MHCC and CAMH has been discussed briefly with CMHA National.		
	7. Substance Use Issues		
	Potential Opportunities:		
	The Cannabis and Drug Treatment Court project will be hosting a Public Policy Forum that will engage service providers, ministry reps and people with lived experience to develop policy recommendations to enhance DTC Programs across Ontario		
	Transition from Custody Network to address the connection to addiction services during transitions from custody as a priority issue		
	Continued Communications and Knowledge Exchange opportunities i.e., webinar series		
	 Continued collaboration with partners such as AMHO, CMHA Ontario, CAMH PSSP and MOH on emerging issues in substance use 		
	Feedback:		
	Members noted the importance of decriminalization health approach example Portugal's drug policy		
	Lobbying or pursuing a goal for more programming, since there is some momentum for this and these types of offences (substance use) are non-criminal		

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Item for Discussion	Discussion
	 The Direct Accountability Program allows for police referrals and has a pre—charge diversion option (used to be just court referrals) There needs to be more funding for pre-charge diversion models How can we incorporate the information received on the GAIN-Q3 assessment results that are being inputted into DATIS (tool required for individuals entering residential treatment facilities)? Currently addictions counsellors are completing GAINS Q3 assessments GAINS Q3 is an important assessment tool for all therapeutic courts More adult diversion programs There needs to be funding for pre-charge diversion models
	 8. Cross Sector Collaboration and Cooperation Issues Potential Opportunities: Continue to perform the functions that aim to promote collaboration and cooperation: Planning and hosting the 2023 Provincial HSJCC Conference Continued Communications and Knowledge Exchange opportunities via the website, newsletters, webinars, social media and meeting highlights Support Regional and Local HSJCC workplanning, meetings and knowledge exchange activities Have ministry representation on P-HSJCC Executive Committee Branding activities: Development of new materials and templates; support coordinated dissemination to committees. Promote justice partner involvement on Ontario Health Teams Feedback: Ministry representation at the Executive Committee table might be able to flag any duplication of work that may have been started at the ministry Recommendation of a two-part meeting with one held for Executive Committee members and one with ministry partners Membership and Engagement Potential Opportunities: Encouraging ministry representation at local and regional levels Continued support for Regional and Local committees with member engagement activities Revise and follow up on Member Engagement Plan and needed areas of support

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Item for Discussion	Discussion
	 Anti-racism committee to identify opportunities to improve engagement of Black, Indigenous and racialized communities in HSJCC Network Feedback: Templates (i.e.,1 pager & PowerPoints) would be helpful to include as part of an orientation package to ensure consistency and address challenges related to membership changes
	10. Complex Needs Potential Opportunities: Encouraging ministry representation at local and regional levels Continued support for Regional and Local committees with member engagement activities Revise and follow up on Member Engagement Plan and needed areas of support PWLE Advisory committee to identify next phase of work to improve experience and engagement of PWLE across the network Anti-racism committee to identify opportunities to improve engagement of Black, Indigenous and racialized communities in HSJCC Network Feedback We need a better understanding of what organizations have been funded to do vs. what they're currently doing, since organizations are trying to support clients with historic funding, while client cases are now more complex. This is something that requires provincial level support Part of the complex needs issue is the higher level of distress in many clients requiring more intensive support (more staff time) and in turn, more supports from staff (vicarious trauma issue) The Community Network of Specialized Care have Dual Diagnosis Justice Case Coordinators/Mangers who could provide input on the needs of those with developmental disabilities and best practices Therapy is a very important tool, which benefits clients with complex needs Sara – There are many unattached individuals, so we need to ensure we are not too narrow in our asks Dianna – At the ministry level, P-HSJCC/organizations need to specify what is needed for additional funding – i.e., additional services, more specialized services, higher staffing ratios Sara – What are ways that we can gather data/information to support the needs identified from a provincial lens? ACTION: Secretariat to incorporate feedback and update proposed priorities for approval at the March P-HSJCC meeting.
6) 2022-2023 Regional and Local Committee	The Secretariat, provided an overview of the Regional and Local HSJCC Committees Work Planning process for the 2022-2023 fiscal year:

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Item for Discussion	Discussion				
Workplanning Presentation	 Regional and Local workplans are to be submitted by email to Secretariat Network Coordinator, Andrew Fairbairn by end of day Friday March 18th, 2022. Regional and Local co-chairs are asked to use the most recent reporting template when submitting their workplans to the Secretariat. Please contact Andrew if you require assistance. As part of Ministry of Health (MOH) reporting requirements, Regional, Local and Provincial HSJCC workplans are to be submitted to MOH by March 31st, 2022. 				
7) Update on the Role of Developmental Service Offices (DSOs)	Shaun Gluckman, Program Analyst, Developmental and Supportive Services Branch, Community Services Division, Ministry of Children Community and Social Services provided an overview of the role Developmental Services Ontario Offices (DSOs) play in the adult Developmental Services (DS) system, including the DSO role in assessing the needs of a person with a developmental disability and in determining what appropriate services and supports are available to meet those needs.				
	The DSO role as the central point of access for adult developmental services across the province was reiterated and several of the DSOs' functions were explored in more detail, including:				
	1) providing information and assisting with service navigation;				
	confirming eligibility for ministry-funded adult DS services and supports;				
	3) completing applications and needs assessments; and				
	providing referrals to services and supports.				
	More information on the DSO, including contact details, can be found on the DSO website. (http://www.dsontario.ca)				
	Regional HSJCC and Partner Updates				
	on that you would like to share that could help support the HSJCC Network during this time? C 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	Mary Ellen	 We have been able to secure two reps for the KPMG Supportive Housing Engagement Session We are busy (as is everyone) on building out our workplan for the upcoming year The MCRT program has expanded in Hamilton by adding an extra shift and now provides support 20 of 24 hours
	Champlain	Brain/Sarah	
	Durham	Katie/Sheila	
	HKPR	Jonathan	
	Halton	Katie/ Kimberly	
	North East	Caitlin/Kim	
	North West	Jenny/ Jennifer	
	Peel	Mary/Jennifer	
	Simcoe-Muskoka	Debbie /Terri	
	South West	N/A	
	South East	N/A	
	Toronto	Susan	
	Waterloo-Wellington	Joan	

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Item for Discussion	Discussion		
	York-South Simcoe	Jason/Tricia	 Working on reallocating our un-used budget money to provide gift cards to individuals who are going through the criminal justice system and are struggling with mental health and/or addictions. We have done this initiative before, and it was a success. Gift cards will help support client immediate basic needs. Currently going through Co-Chair/Chair election process for upcoming fiscal years. Out committee is in the process of creating a SharePoint page to give committee members immediate digital access to committee documents, shared resources, etc.
	Ministry Representative	es (Ex-Officio)	
	Ministry	Person that provided update	Information Shared
	Corrections Service Canada	N/A	
	SolGen– Correctional Services (Policing Standards)	N/A	
	SolGen – Public Safety Division	Neil	
	SolGen- Anti-Racism Division	TBA	
	МОН	N/A	
	MAG	Dina	
	MCCSS – Youth Justice Services Division	Zoe	

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Item for Discussion	Discussion		
	MCCSS – Community and Developmental Services Division	Shaun	
	Other Members (Ex-Offi	cio)	
	Other Members	Person that provided update	Information Shared
	CMHA Ontario	Shawn	
	LHIN	N/A	
	Community Networks of Specialized Care	N/A	
	Legal Aid Ontario	N/A	
	Connex Ontario	Lori	
	OACP	TBA	
	Forensic Directors Group	N/A	
	OPP	N/A	
	CAMH PSSP	N/A	
	John Howard Society of Ontario	N/A	
	Justice for Children and Youth	N/A	
	P-HSJCC People With Lived Experience	N/A	
	(PWLE) Committee		
13) Meeting adjournment	The Provincial HSJCC mo	eeting of Februa	ry 2, 2022, adjourned at approximately 4:00PM.
Next P-HSJCC Monthly Updates Meeting:			

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Item for Discussion	Discussion			
January 18, 2021 – 2:00pm – 4:00pm				
Virtual Platform: Zoom				

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