



Scarborough Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (S-HSJCC)

Meeting Minutes September 13, 2016 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Scarborough Probation and Parole Office 2131 Lawrence Ave. East, #200

Present: Mary Jarrell, Crown Attorney's Office (Co Chair); Susan Boucaud (Co-chair), Toronto East Detention Centre; Sharon Williams, Scarborough Hospital; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Tammy Alston, CMHA; Michele Graham, CHIRS; Arlene Alexander, Cota

Regrets: Debbie Lynch, CTYS, New Outlook; Erwin Black, Cota; Samim Hasham, Morrish Pharmacy; Janice Sellon, East Metro Youth Service; Jennie Hawking, Cota; Carole Sinclair, CAMH

Welcome and Introductions:

- Everyone introduced themselves
- This will be Susan Boucaud last meeting as Chair. The committee thanked Susan Boucaud for her leadership as Chair and appreciate the support she provided to the new Co-chair. Her transition from Chair to member of the committee has been seamless.

Review and Approval of Minutes of May 3, 2016

- The minutes were approved.

Action Items Follow-up

- Mary Jarrell informed the committee that if anyone is interested in Co-chairing the meetings to contact Domenica Dileo. The Doodle survey result on choice of meeting day was Wednesday. There was further discussion whether changing the location to the Scarborough courthouse from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. or 1-2:30 p.m. would enhance membership involvement from the justice sector. It was agreed that Domenica Dileo will conduct another Doodle survey with the committee members. Next meeting will be at current time and location.
- The update on the OTN was postponed until next meeting
- Legal Aid Mental Health Strategy postponed to next meeting

Presentation

- Tammy Alston presented on the Mental Health and Justice Prevention Program in Scarborough.

- The purpose of the program is to prevent individuals with mental illness from coming into conflict with the criminal justice system. It assists individuals with MH who are at significant risk of incurring criminal charges by assisting them to access and use MH and other services.
- Provides short term case management
- They have a mandate not to have a waitlist
- Criteria: Over 16 years of age or older with a MH problem
- Reside in Scarborough, the person can have a no fixed address but would like to reside in Scarborough. In addition to one of the following criteria: Be referred by police or probation officer OR currently facing charges or has had criminal charges or was released from jail within the past year
- Have access to psychiatrist assessment, medication prescription is available through OTN
- Program is voluntary
- Accepts referral from anyone
- Tammy Alston was thanked for her informative presentation. She will send the brochure and intake form to Domenica Dileo to distribute with the minutes.

Lunch and Learns

- Domenica Dileo surveyed the committee for preferred topics. The top two were: Community Treatment Order and RX Management.
- It was agreed that the next Lunch & Learns will be on November 1, 2016. Samim Hasham will present on Rx management. She would like to know what areas members would like her to discuss.
- Members would like to get clarification what the new criteria is for not needing a drug card but a health card. To update the committee on current policy changes regarding prescription medication.

Agency/Organization Updates

- Michelle Graham is considering Co-chairing the next meeting.
- Members were open to the idea of having a rotating Co-chair position.

Service Coordination/Resolution Issues

- Mary Jarrell informed the committee that there is a new committee at the Scarborough courthouse addressing access to psychiatry from the bail courts. She will invite a representative of this committee for an update at our next meeting.

Toronto and Provincial – HSJCC

- Domenica reported that the Toronto HSJCC had a presentation on the New Toronto Courthouse with a 2022 opening date. Next THSJCC meeting will take place on October 7th
- The P-HSJCC is developing a new website. More to come.

Choose a presenter for the next meeting: Presenter not required since we will have a Lunch and Learn.

Actions:

- Co-Chair position to be discussed
- Meeting time options to be discussed at the next meeting

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 2131 Lawrence Ave. East, #200 from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.