



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

Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2013

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Scarborough Probation and Parole Office
2131 Lawrence Ave. East, #200**

Present: Paula McLellan (Co-chair), Toronto Bail Program; David Raponi-Monk (Co-chair), John Howard Society; Antonella Wilson, CMHA; Debbie Lynch, CTYS, New Outlook; Rosemary de Simas, CTYS, New Outlook; Sharon Williams, Scarborough Hospital; Chris Moore, MCSCS Probation and Parole Office; Michele Graham, CHIRS; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC, Susan Boucaud, Toronto East Detention Centre; Mary Jarrell, Crown Attorney's Office; Amy Warren, Scarborough Hospital/RUHS Centenary

Regrets: Erwin Black, COTA Health; Paul Rowe, Toronto Police; Carole Sinclair, MAARS/SAAP, CAMH; Flo Skinner, RVHS; Eric MacMullin, The Scarborough Hospital; Vincent Lee, Toronto East Detention Centre; Neil Longley, Toronto East Detention Centre, Sara Kirkup, TSH/MCIT

Welcome and Introductions

- Everybody introduced themselves.

Review and Approval of March 5, 2013 minutes

- The minutes were approved with the following amendment: page 2, first sentence - change. "a clinician has to be involved for the referral" to "It's self referral".

Review of the Scarborough Mapping Project - Identify Gaps and Services

Recommendation 1

The SHS & JCC should continue to develop and refine a strategy for people in the Scarborough area who are in conflict with the law or at significant risk of coming in conflict with the law, and who have a serious mental illness or developmental disability. To further the on-going development and refinement of such a strategy, consideration should be given to using the framework articulated for Human Service and Justice Coordinating Committees in *A Provincial Strategy to Coordinate Human Services and Criminal Justice Systems in Ontario (1998)*.

- **Note:** Follow up is required to determine whether there is an update to *A Provincial Strategy to Coordinate Human Services and Criminal Justice Systems in Ontario (1998)*.

Recommendation 2

The SHS & JCC should encourage the systematic collection of data to measure and evaluate the impact of its programs and services.

- Note: The systemic collection of data has moved to the Provincial HSJCC body. The S-HSJCC is taking directions from the Provincial HSJCC and provides information, as part of the provincial re-structuring.

Recommendation 3

The SHS&JCC should increase its educational role.

- Note: Discussion ensued about the changes of the S-HSJCC educational role. The SH&JCC has taken on a new role: to continue with the sharing and circulation of educational webinars, workshops, forums, etc. Please send information to the HSJCC Coordinator to circulate. Members are finding the webinars helpful and would like to enhance the committee's role in disseminating and distributing educational opportunities.

Recommendation 4

The SHS & JCC should continue to advocate for funding from the MOHLTC based on its five service enhancement areas.

- Note: It was acknowledged that the Provincial HSJCC is taking on the role of advocating for funding. It was recommended that the S-HSJCC Co-chairs continue to advocate in conjunction with the Provincial HSJCC.

Recommendation 5 - Correction Services

The SHS&JCC should advocate for the return of a Special Needs Unit to the Toronto East Detention Centre.

- Note: David Raponi- Monk will follow up with Neil Longley from Corrections.

Recommendation 6 - Court Support Program

The S-HSJCC should continue to advocate for funding to acquire the services of a psychiatrist to conduct court based assessments

- Note: Currently there are two psychiatrists two days per week. Antonella Wilson, Court Support Coordinator from CMHA, reviewed this recommendation with her manager. They feel this is still an issue for court support programs and want to keep this as a recommendation for the S-HSJCC. Also it is an ongoing issue for other court support programs in Toronto, which are without an on-site psychiatrist. For those that do have an on-site psychiatrist the doctor is limited as to the type of assessments that he/she can perform; therefore this is still a service gap.

Recommendation 7 - Crisis Prevention and Crisis Beds

The SHS&JCC should continue to explore options regarding sharing existing psychiatric resources to ensure individuals in the community requiring psychiatric assessment have timely access to such service.

Note: Sharon Williams will follow up re whether the safe beds, crisis beds, and crisis prevention programs are still available in Scarborough.

Recommendation 8 - Developmental Services

There is a need to continue to build upon the partnerships and work already done by the SHS-JCC, including promoting collaborative approaches to the broader service community that promote and consolidate intra-agency and cross-sector planning and implementation for people with a dual diagnosis.

- Note: Domenica Dileo will check with Erwin Black, COTA Health about whether he has information on a new service, Developmental Services of Ontario (DSO) and whether the dual diagnostic program still exist.

Recommendation 9 - Police Services

The SHS&JCC should continue to advocate for annualized funds for Police Mobile Crisis Intervention in Scarborough.

- Note: Domenica Dileo will follow up with Sara Kirkup, TSH/MCIT about the Scarborough MCIT.

Recommendation 10 - Overarching Service Enhancement

The SHS&JCC should organize provision of member services into a Sequential Response Model.

- Note: Domenica Dileo will talk to Sara Kirkup about the pathway service a computer navigation guide that outlines the process.
- Domenica Dileo will gather and summarize the information about service gaps and services based on the above recommendation by mid-June and distribute to the S-HSJCC members.

A discussion about gaps in the S-HSJCC workplan following the review of the Scarborough Mapping Project identified an ongoing issue with the lack of shelters/housing for people being released from jail. To be more inclusive, hostel, ODSP, and OW staff will be invited to the S-HSJCC table. David Raponi-Monk has contacts for ODSP, OW and Streets to Homes for inviting these organizations to attend the S-HSJCC meetings. Each organization could do a presentation at the S-HSJCC meetings. David Raponi-Monk will invite ODSP, OW and Streets to Homes to join the S-HSJCC.

Agency/Organization Updates

- CTYS, New Outlook offers short-term voluntary intensive case management to young adults aged 16-24 who are involved in the criminal justice system (or are at high risk) and who have a serious mental illness. Referral forms were distributed.
- Amy Warren, Concurrent Disorders Counseling Linking Advocacy at Scarborough/RUHS Centenary will send information about this new position to Domenica Dileo for distribution. Position funded by the LINH's. Currently there

is no waitlist. Referrals come from the ER and link to other services. Educational component on anti-stigma. Self-referral.

- Penny Duncan is leaving Out Patients at the Scarborough Hospital and has been replaced by Sara Kirkup.
- An email was sent out about the transitional changes at John Howard, which is relocating to a permanent site at Oakwood and Eglinton in September 2013.

Website

- Domenica Dileo reported that the SHSJCC website will be migrated to the HSJCC site. For a few months, we will continue to have both sites. We will compare the website hits on both sites to assist on making a recommendation whether or not to permanently migrate the site to the HSJCC.

Updates From the T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC

- The Police ER Protocol Guidelines have been completed and are available on the HSJCC website.
- The new (revised) *Terms of Reference* for the re-structured PHSJCC/ Secretariat were reviewed and approved.
- A proposal for the creation of the Secretariat (and thus increased funding) is being prepared, to be submitted to the MOHTLC
- The Justice Collaborative had a Town Hall meeting on April 10, 2013 with various stakeholders. Everybody from the HSJCC was invited to attend. More meetings will follow.
- Paula McLellan and David Raponi-Monk will step down as the S-HSJCC Co-chairs at the end of their 2-year term in November 2013. If anyone is interested in the Co-chairs position, please inform Domenica Dileo, Paula McLalle or David Raponi-Monk.

Next Meeting: September 10, 2013, at 2131 Lawrence Ave. East, #200.

- Whether or not there is a guest speaker for the meeting depends on the outcome of the task from the Scarborough Mapping Project – Identifying gaps and Services. If we need a speaker, Rosemary de Simas from CTYS, New Outlook is interested in presenting.

Actions

- Organizations with information they would like circulated to the HSJCC can send it to Coordinator Domenica Dileo.
- David Raponi- Monk will follow up with Neil Longley from Corrections re the special needs unit.
- Sharon Williams will follow up re whether the safe beds, crisis beds and crisis prevention programs are still available in Scarborough.
- Domenica Dileo will ask Erwin Black, COTA Health whether he has information about a new service - Developmental Services of Ontario (DSO) - and whether the dual diagnostic program still exists.

- Domenica Dileo will follow-up with Sara Kirkup, TSH/MCIT about the Scarborough MCIT, and the pathway service and computer navigation guide that outlines the process.
- Domenica Dileo will gather and summarize the information about the service gaps and services by mid-June and distribute to S-HSJCC members.
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