



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

Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2015

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Scarborough Probation and Parole Office

2131 Lawrence Ave. East, #200

Present: Sharon Williams, Scarborough Hospital; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Mary Murphy, Defense Counsel; Tammy Alson, CMHA; Mary Jarrell, Crown Attorney's Office; Samim Hasham, Morrish Pharmacy; Janice Sellon, East Metro Youth Service; Kallan Lyons, Scarborough Homes First Shelter for Adults; Jana Kokic, The Scarborough Hospital; Michele Graham, CHIRS; Dale Nichiporik, Toronto Police Service; Julie-Anne Nayler, Pinewood Centre of Lakeridge Health; Paula McLellan, Bail Program; Vincent Lee, Toronto East Detention Centre

Regrets: Susan Boucaud (Co-chair), Toronto East Detention Centre; Karina Frost, Cota, Carole Sinclair, MAARS/SASP; Debbie Lynch, CTYS, New Outlook; Paul Rowe, Toronto Police Service; Erwin Black, Cota; Flo Skinner, Rouge Valley Health System; Robin Simmons, Voices from the Street; Acsana Fernando, Voices from the Street; Antonella Wilson, CMHA; Jian Li, Surrey Place; Arthur Marania, Scarborough Hospital

Welcome and Introductions:

- Mary Murphy will chair the meeting as Susan Boucaud is out of the country
- Everyone introduced themselves
- Meeting started after Lunch & Learn

Review and Approval of Minutes of January 3, 2015

- The minutes were approved.

Business Arising

- **Co-Chairs Update.** No one has expressed interest yet for the co-chair position. If you are interested please contact Susan Boucaud or Domenica Dileo.
- **Community Crisis System in the Central East LHIN – S-HSJCC focus group.** Samim Hasham reported that she and Vincent Lee attended the Focus group. Samim Hasham also attended the follow-up meeting where findings and recommendations were presented. Recommendations include: Addressing challenges to accessing health information; 24/7 HUB for anyone in crisis; services available to everyone, for example – E-Health; and continuity of care for

special groups such as Aboriginals
Consumer and Provider Central East Regional Mental Health & Addictions Crisis Service Planning Session was held on February 20th, 2015 at the Oshawa and District Shrine Club.

The objective of the review was to identify the current state of the CELHIN Community Crisis Response system, identify gaps and barriers to standardized practice and make recommendations to improve the system.

See below for recommendations from the focus group:

14 Recommendations were discussed under five main themes and the top ten would be reviewed by the Committee. Below is a very general summary.

1- Service Accessibility - establish client-centered crisis service models, improve response time and increase program capacity, extend after hours support for mobile response and mobile crisis Intervention teams

2- Promotion and Collaboration - standardize promotional materials, support collaboration with other health and social services etc., establish shared-care model

3-Operations and Protocols - develop a 'guarantee of service' using evidence-based approach, standardize training and hiring practices, build addictions support protocols

4- new services - establish 24-7 drop-in/walk- in centre in each cluster based on geographic and population needs, resolve issues at the end of crisis event and transition out to longer term clinical and social support

5-Speciality populations - engagement of Aboriginal communities, increase collaborations with youth crisis service etc.

Homeless, Police, OW and Pharmacy Coordination. Samim Hasham is continuing to work on getting referrals. The contacts from last meeting have changed -she now has a new contact at the Scarborough Homes First Shelter. She is also going to connect with the staff from the new Post-Incarceration Housing Program, which was created to prevent the cycle of homelessness and incarceration by assisting these individuals to find and maintain affordable housing.

Out of Catchment Hospital Discharge Planning Service for Scarborough Clients in Crisis

Karina Frost has been following up and will report at the next meeting.

Lunch and Learns

- We just completed a successful Lunch and Learn on the topic of Criminal Justice Issues including their impact on housing and employment.
- Domenica Dileo asked for feedback about this first Lunch and Learn, which was combined with the meeting. There was unanimous support to continue the format.
- The OW/ODSP Lunch and Learn will take place on May 5, 2015 starting at 12:30 p.m. The meeting will then start at 1:30 p.m. A light lunch will be provided.

- Information about the Lunch and Learn will be distributed shortly. Members will need to RSVP, as space is limited.

2015-2016 WorkPlan

- The revised WorkPlan was distributed prior to the meeting.
- Highlights of the plan are: To continue to have two Lunch and Learns each year; and to continue to work on these two initiatives: Homeless, OW, Community Pharmacist Initiative and the Out of Catchment Hospital Discharge Services for Scarborough Client in Crisis.
- Proposed budget to the T-HSJCC:
 - To continue with the support of TTC tokens and food vouchers at the courthouse after it was identified that it is a much-needed service. Based on the previous year's usage, there is a higher need for TTC tokens, so it is recommended that \$750 go towards tokens and \$250 towards food vouchers (\$1000 total).
 - Lunch and Learns: \$540 total for two Lunch and Learns
 - Honorarium for People with Lived Experience. \$600 total

TOTAL BUDGET = \$2,140
- The Workplan and Budget were approved.
 Motion to approve. Moved by: Mary Jarrell
 Seconded: Tammy Alston
 Carried: Unanimously

Service Coordination/Resolution Issues -No other issues were identified

Agency/Organization Updates

- Kallan Lyons reported that Scarborough Homes First Shelter for Adults held a successful Substance Use Awareness Event Day.
- She asked the committee for input on how to increase attendance.
- They are also looking for partners for the event.
- Dale Nichiporik informed the committee that the Vulnerable Service Sector screening has to be done through the police and looked at case-by-case.
- Julie-Anne Navler reported that the Central LHIN is funding two new addiction counselling positions at the Pinewood Centre of Lakeridge Health. Will send information to Domenica Dileo for distribution.
- Vincent Lee reported on the Toronto East Detention Centre that they have a new Mental Health nurse. It's taken longer to hire people because of the added time needed to get a Vulnerable Service Sector screening report. Contract talks are continuing.
- Michelle Graham reported that CHIRS has received funding for three staff positions.
- Tammy Alston informed the committee about the new Post-Incarceration Housing Program and Domenica Dileo has distributed the information with contact information prior to the meeting.

Updates from the T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC

- T-HSJCC is meeting on March 6, 2015
- The consultant will be presenting his findings and recommendation for a Service Resolution Process for Toronto.

Actions:

- Domenica Dileo will send information about the next Lunch and Learn

Next Meeting

- May 35 2015 at 2131 Lawrence Ave. East, #200 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.
- No presentation at the next meeting because we have a Lunch and Learn.