



**West Toronto Human Services and Justice  
Coordinating Committee (WT-HSJCC)**

**Meeting Minutes**

**March 5, 2019**

**1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**Metro West Courthouse, 2201 Finch Avenue West, Courtroom 207**

**Present:** Patricia Pagnani (Co-chair), Toronto Bail Program; Amber Kellen (Co-chair), John Howard Society of Toronto; Debbie Lynch (Co-chair), CTYS; Elana Glass, Duty Counsel; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Kelli Wilson, Springboard-YCAPP; Fatima Senra, LAO

**Regrets:** Daniel O'Driscoll, Community Head Injury Resource Services; Mary Ross-Hendriks, Judiciary

**Welcome and Introductions**

Everyone introduced themselves.

**Review of January 8, 2019 minutes**

The minutes of the January 8, 2019 meeting were approved.

**Review Action Items:**

Action items were reviewed and completed.

**Presentation:** Sheryl Lindsay, Aboriginal Mental Health & Addiction Services Coordinator at the Anishnawbe Health Centre: Addiction Medicine Program at Anishnawbe Health Toronto.

The Rapid Access Addiction Medicine Program (RAAM) at Anishnawbe Health Toronto is located at 4 Charles St. 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, at the corner of Yonge and Charles St. East.

The RAAM offers support to Indigenous community members who are living with alcohol, opioid or other substance use issues. The program will offer assessment of substance use issues, access to addiction medications (opiate replacement and anti-alcohol craving) and ongoing community support. A Nurse Practitioner is part of the team, that also includes a doctor and psychiatrist.

The program has walk-in hours: Monday 9-12, Wednesdays and Thursdays 1-4pm at the Charles St. location. If you have a client that you think might be interested, but cannot come during walk-in hours, or may need additional support

getting to the program then please email or call me. Sherly's contact information is [slindsay@ah.t.ca](mailto:slindsay@ah.t.ca) or 416-657-0379. Their aim is for the program to be as accessible as possible.

**Themes discussed:**

Can provide referral letter re: the scope of the program, can take referral from detention centres as part of discharge planning, no waitlist, have two mobile case managers. Clients can be referred to internal programs such as primary care. There is no specific catchment area but instead the focus is population specific. Identity is based on self-identification, and the program uses both western and traditional healing practices.

**Lunch and Learns:**

Autism, Learning Disabilities, Schizophrenia and panel with Victim Services, John Howard and Partner Assault Response (PAR) program providers to address different skill sets for clients were areas identified for future Lunch and Learns

It was decided to have the next session on autism. Domenica Dileo will follow up on a speaker and logistics. The session will take place in March as this is the timeframe to complete the three Lunch and Learns as per our workplan.

**Approval Workplan 2019-2020**

The committee unanimously approved the workplan 2019/20

It was noted that the Toronto Regional approved the WT-HSJCC requested budget of:

TTC Tokens: \$500

Food Vouchers: \$500

Lunch & Learns: \$940.00

Honorarium: \$480

Total budget: \$2420.00

Requested Budget for the Reintegration Centre:

TTC Tokens: \$750.00

Food Vouchers: \$750.00

Total budget: \$1500.00

**Agency/Organization Updates**

Amber Kellen reported on the Reintegration Centre. The lease expired on January 31. The Ministry is leasing John Howard Society of Toronto three spaces at the parking lot at TSDC and the City of Toronto is helping them purchase a small trailer with wheels for office space. The number of people using the mobile service has increased by about 400%. They are finalizing an office space on Lakeshore for a permanent John Howard Society of Toronto program office.

**Service Coordination Issues/Service Resolution**

No update

Discussion ensued about having the Service Resolution Toronto Justice Coordinator present at the next meeting because it would be beneficial to learn more about the project.

**Update on Video Bail**

No updates

**Updates from the T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC**

- Provincial conference is taking place November 4-6<sup>th</sup>, 2019: Colouring Outside the Lines, more information to follow.

**Action Items**

- Domenica Dileo will oversee logistics for the next Lunch and Learn on autism.
- Video bail updates will be added as an ongoing agenda item.
- Domenica Dileo will contact Rhona Zitney, Service Resolution Toronto /Justice Coordinator to find out if she can present at the next WT-HSJCC meeting.

**Presenter for next meeting:** TBD

**Next Meeting**

- Tuesday, May 7, 2019 Metro West Courthouse, 2201 Finch Avenue West, in Courtroom 2:07 from 1-2:30.