



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

**Meeting Minutes  
November 9, 2017  
1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Metro West Courthouse, 2201 Finch Avenue West, Courtroom**

**Present:** Patricia Pagnani (Co-chair), Toronto Bail Program; Elana Glass, Duty Counsel; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Saleha Saleem, T.A. Patterson & Associates; Nicole Giles, CMHA; Amber Kellen (Co-chair), John Howard Society of Toronto; Edward Kelly, Judiciary; Lindsay Jennings, PASAN

**Regrets:** Doris Galas, Humber River Hospital; Debbie Lynch (Co-chair), CTYS; Lisette Fernanadez, Jean Tweed; Shirley Rokos, PACE Independent Living; Kelli Wilson, Youth Court Action Planning Program; Fatime Senra, LAO

**Welcome and Introductions**

Everyone introduced themselves.

**Review of September 12, 2017 minutes**

The minutes were approved.

**Review Action Items:**

They were completed.

**Lunch and Learns:**

Domenica Dileo reported on the following Lunch and Learns

- The October 18<sup>th</sup> Lunch and Learn with Dr. Samim Hasham was successful. Thirty people attended the session. 100% of the participants rated the session excellent to above average.
- The September 12<sup>th</sup> Lunch and Learn session with Dr. Fiona Kouyoumdjian on Opportunities to improve the Health Status of Persons in Custody in Ontario went well. Thirty-six people attended the session. The evaluations had Cannabis as a suggestion for a future topic.
- It was agreed to have the next Lunch and Learn on Cannabis during the month of February. Domenica will follow up with speaker's availability and logistics. The suggested speaker is April Trehwitt, Addictions Coordinator at the Canadian Mental Health Association

- Discussion ensued about Lunch and Learn space challenges. It was agreed to review which courthouse is available at the next meeting. Courtroom 206 and 207 are preferred. Thursday is the preferred day as well.

### **Presentation:**

- PowerPoint slides will be circulated with meeting minutes
- PASAN (an acronym for Prisoners with HIV/AIDS Support Action Network) is a community-based organization in Ontario that provides support, education and advocacy services related to HIV/HCV and harm reduction within the prisoner and ex-prisoner population and within prison environments.
- The only organization in Canada that works with prisoners and ex-prisoners with HIV/HCV.
- Carry out capacity building training and workshops for agencies and prisoners.
- Provincial prisoners are not eligible for HCV treatment.
- Stigma, overcrowding, limited access to health care, and stress of incarceration contribute to the vulnerable health of prisoners and ex-prisoners.
- Subculture and unwritten rules were discussed as issues to discuss when engaging this client group.
- PASAN contact information- 416-920-9567 or 1-866-224-9978
- Lindsay Jennings was thanked for her informative and interactive presentation.

### **Agency/Organization Updates**

- Patricia Pagnani reported on the video bail project. There was an operational meeting. Concerns have been addressed. A mock video bail is set to take place on November 29<sup>th</sup> from 1-2 p.m. The project has not started at the courthouse yet. However, The Bail Program has a staff at the Reintegration Centre to help with video bail. Her name is Carol Walker.
- It was agreed to add video bail updates as an ongoing agenda item.

### **Service Coordination Issues/Service Resolution**

No update

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

- Domenica Dileo reported that the next T-HSJCC meeting is on February 12, 2018
- P-HSJCC conference taking place from November 20-22. Subsidy information was circulated and discussed.

### **Action Items**

- Domenica Dileo will oversee logistics for the February 2018 Lunch and Learn on Cannabis.

- Video bail updates will be added as an ongoing agenda item.

**Presenter for next meeting:** Imtiaz Moursalien, Toronto Bail Program, Enhanced Community Coordinator.

**Next Meeting**

- January 9, 2018 at 2201 Metro West Courthouse, 2201 Finch Avenue West, in Courtroom 209 from 1-2:30.