



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

**Meeting Minutes**

**January 13, 2015**

**2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

**Metro West Courthouse, 2201 Finch Avenue West, Boardroom**

**Present:** Patricia Pagnani (Co-chair), Toronto Bail Program; Amber Kellen (Co-chair), John Howard Society of Toronto; Sarah Haslip, T.A. Patterson & Associates; Leann Gallant, CMHA; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Elana Glass, Duty Counsel; Mary Ross-Hendriks, Judiciary; Shirley Rokos, PACE Independent Living; Tanya Connors, CAMH FEIS; Karen Poole, Reconnect

**Regrets:** Debbie Lynch (Co-chair), CTYS; Doris Galas, Humber River Regional Hospital; Laval Binns, Probation and Parole; Nicole Giles, CMHA; Lisette Fernandez, Jean Tweed Centre; Mohamed Badsha, Reconnect; Ian Clarke, Maplehurst/Vanier; Michelle Landis, Elizabeth Fry; Sam Cole, MCSCS; Mary Dwyer, TSDC

**Welcome and Introductions**

- Everyone introduced themselves.

**Review of November 18, 2014 minutes**

- The minutes were approved.

**Presentation – Tanya Connors, CAMH Forensic Early Intervention Services at the TSDC**

- Presentation slide deck will be distributed with the minutes.
- A designated hospital under the Criminal Code of Canada
- 193 forensic beds
- 350 forensic outpatient clients
- FEIS is an alternative care pathway collaboration between Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services and the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care
- The goal is to enhance timely access to acute forensic services for individuals identified with specific forensic mental health needs or at risk of falling under the mental disorder provisions as defined by the Criminal Code of Canada
- TSDC provides initial mental health (Brief Jail Mental Health Screen) screen on admission. They identify individuals at risk and refer to FEIS when appropriate.
- FEIS completes Jail Screening Assessment Tool within 24 hours of admission

- Provides assessment and recommendations on all clients referred by TSDC staff
- FEIS collaborates with TSDC staff in the further development and refinement of these treatment plans, then remains engaged with inmates who meet inclusion criteria
- FEIS can coordinate with 102 court
- Does not prescribe meds but the Doctor makes recommendations
- FEIS is mobile within the jail, the community and the court
- Only addresses mental health issues
- Committee asked if FEIS could increase psychiatric services at the Metro West Courthouse.
- Tanya Connors said she would speak to Doctor Sandy Simpson to further understand the issues
- Tanya Connors was thanked for her informative presentation.

#### **Munch and Learns Update**

- Elena Glass and Domenica Dileo are coordinating the date for the next session.
- The next Munch and Learn will be the City of Toronto's Drug Treatment 101 Panel

#### **2015/2016 Work Plan**

##### **Accomplishments to date:**

- Enhanced our support network with the Reintegration Centre. To be continued.
- Moved meetings to Metro West Court House to enhance our membership from justice sector. To be continued
- Increased police involvement on the committee. To be continued
- Information sharing with the HSJCC Locals. To be continued.
- Increased our stakeholder connections via Munch and Learns. To be continued.

##### **Agency/Organization Updates**

- Justice Collaborative (JC) piloting a screening tool at the Reintegration Centre
- JC presented to the Justice of the Peace Bench
- Reintegration Centre (RC) had to close for several days because there was no heating
- RC hired three peer support staff. It was suggested that these staff will be invited to attend/present at the WT-HSJCC meeting. Committee members can send questions for peer support workers prior to their attendance at the meeting so that they can come prepared with responses. Amber Kellen will follow up

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

- No issues identified.

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

- Patricia Pagnani reported on the T-HSJCC
- Deputy Chief Mike Federico attended and said how important mental health issues are for the Police and the community relation officers are becoming more familiar with mental health resources
- Claudia Brabazon from Justice on Target made a presentation and slide decks were distributed
- The T-HSJCC Complex Care Sub-Committee hired a consultant to look at a Service Resolution Process in Toronto

**Actions**

- Amber Kellen will connect with Mike Burgess from Police Services to encourage his participation on the committee
- Karen Poole will connect with representative from SPIDER/Focus to present at the next meeting

**Next Meeting**

March 10 instead of March 17 due to March Break at 2201 Metro West Courthouse, 2201 Finch Avenue West, Boardroom  
(between courtroom 202 and 203) from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Domenica Dileo will add Elena Glass's and Patricia Pagnani's cell numbers to the meeting reminder to let people know who to call if they need to get into the meeting