

HSJCC Network Reporting Template

Background

As per the Ministry of Health’s reporting requirements, the Provincial, Regional and Local HSJCCs are required to report on their committee’s activities twice a year through work planning and reporting.

Work planning assists HSJCCs in mapping out their planned activities for the year ahead. This keeps members well informed of what is happening at a Local, Regional and Provincial levels within the HSJCC Network. Annual reports demonstrate the key outcomes from the previous fiscal year and ensures transparency and accountability across the network. It is also a great way of highlighting the impact of our work and showcases the accomplishments of the HSJCC Network.

HSJCC Information

Name of Regional or Local HSJCC	West Toronto HSJCC
Chair/Co-Chair Names & Contact Information	Debbie Lynch , debbie.lynch@ctys.org or 416- 924-2100 ext. 229 Patricia Pagnani , ppagnani@torontobailprogram.com or 416-314-3765 ext.261
HSJCC Objectives	The WT-HSJCC works collaboratively: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To engage in cross-sectoral planning, coordination, collaboration and integration of services for individuals with mental health and substance use issues who are involved or at significant risk of being involved with the criminal justice system. • To identify local priorities for planning coordinated services and establish a process for planning and joint problem solving in relation to these local priorities. • To improve transitions at juncture points within services and systems for individuals who come into contact with the justice system. • To assist with addressing local needs and reporting to the Toronto HSJCC to help inform systems planning at a regional level. • To recognize and address emerging health equity challenges during and post COVID-19 by working collaboratively by addressing the intersectional, equity and Anti-Racism approach to social determinants of health affecting racialized communities in contact with the justice system.
Name of Transfer Payment Agency & Contact Information	Canadian Mental Health Association – Toronto Branch Tania Barrie, tbarrie@cmhato.org or 416-433-9093

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List of Key Activities & Initiatives

The WT-HSJCC works collaboratively:

- I.** To assist in developing and maintaining an accessible and well-functioning system of mental health, justice and related services that work together to improve the transition between services and sectors, of the Committee’s target population. This includes service provision to and through the services and supports that they need, when they need them.
- II.** To assist with improving the quality of services for individuals with mental health and substance use issues who are involved with the criminal justice system, including making specific matches between clients and services both initially and through clients’ individual recoveries over time.
- III.** To assist to minimize the amount of time people spend in correctional facilities waiting for assessments, e.g. (fitness, Form 6 and/or services they need to support their safe, successful release and re-integration back into the community).
- IV.** To assist to identify barriers to achievement of any of the above objectives, with a particular foci on identifying and addressing barriers at the interfaces between the mental health, substance use, criminal justice and related systems.
- V.** To assist in reducing recidivism.
- VI.** To improve the experience of equity seeking and racialized groups; recognize, support and engage with Black and Indigenous communities within the efforts of the West Toronto HSJCC OR in accordance with the mandate of the West Toronto HSJCC.
- VII.** To promote self-awareness/ reflection through education and dialogue about the equity impact of social determinants of health and how they may manifest in the work of the West Toronto HSJCC.

General Information for Activity I.	
Description	Information Sharing: Share information about mental health, substance use, criminal justice and related services that are accessible to individuals 16 years of age or older with a mental illness and/or substance use issue who are currently involved or at significant risk of being involved with the criminal justice system. Individuals may have co-occurring issues such as homelessness, substance use and/or a neurodisability.
Objectives and Key Deliverables	Objectives: 10-15 committee members attend each meeting, 4 presentations given at meetings,

	<p>2 PowerPoint slide decks and resources distributed to members.</p> <p>Circulate current information about human services and justice issues identified at committee meetings.</p> <p>Maintain and circulate membership list.</p> <p>Update PHSJCC website with membership contact information and local resources.</p> <p>Committee members provide updates about new services and programs at every meeting.</p> <p>Year- end members’ evaluation and membership confirmation.</p> <p>Key Deliverables:</p> <p>Increase knowledge exchange between systems and services. Re: how to support individuals with mental health and substance use issues who come into contact with the justice system.</p> <p>Increase usefulness of information sharing resulting in informed decision making and improved client services.</p>
<p>Budget Allocated (As of April 1, 2023)</p>	<p>See attached HSJCC Financial Report</p>
<p>Status Update as of March 31, 2024 (Completed, Delayed, On Hold)</p>	<p>We had three presentations at the May, September and March meetings. The November meeting was a hybrid Toronto Local HSJCC Mega Meeting bringing together the four Toronto Local HSJCCs to discuss two major changes in the criminal justice system – the recent opening of the Toronto Regional Bail Centre and Ontario Court of Justice – Toronto. 66 members from the four locals attended the meeting.</p>
<p>Key Outcomes</p>	<p>Increased on going information sharing, developed an actionable plan to delve deeper into the mega meeting identified needs. Three main areas were identified for the four Local HSJCCs to address at their regular meetings and provide updates to the Toronto Regional HSJCC table. As well continued with a second Lunch and Learn Anti-Racism Series in the context of the HSJCC workplan.</p> <p>Conducted a comprehensive annual members’ evaluation and membership confirmation to ensure information is accurate and up-to-date.</p> <p>92% of committee members strongly agree to agree that the meetings are helpful and informative. 8% neither agree nor disagree.</p> <p>Increased knowledge exchange between systems and services leads to effective and on-going cross-sectoral co-ordination and planning.</p> <p>92% of committee members agree that they are well informed to somewhat informed about the activities of the HSJCC. 8% neither agree nor disagree.</p>

	59 committee members attended 4 meetings (excluding the mega meeting). Fifteen members attended the meetings regularly, two more than last year. Each meeting has an average of 15 members, same as last year.
Budget Used by March 31, 2024	See attached HSJCC Financial Report

General Information for Activity II.	
Description	System-building: Develop effective linkages among the services in West Toronto so as to increase their accessibility and capacity to effectively meet the needs of the target population and support community safety.
Objectives and Key Deliverables	<p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 new members join the committee. 2 Welcome packages sent. 32 members maintained. <p>Hold 5 meetings per fiscal year. One of these meetings will be a mega meeting with the four Toronto Local HSJCCs.</p> <p>Determine members who identify as being part of equity seeking and racialized groups.</p> <p>Key Deliverables:</p> <p>Maintain and increase representation from across sectors and equity seeking groups such as Black and Indigenous groups, people with lived experience, families and seniors.</p> <p>Increase the knowledge and awareness of emerging issues and best-practices regarding individuals who come into contact with the justice and mental health systems and support community safety initiatives.</p> <p>Increased collaboration and awareness of client-centred approaches to improve coordination and transition between services and sectors for individuals who come into contact with the justice system.</p> <p>Strengthen relevant partnerships to improve coordination and transitions between services and sectors.</p>
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Key Outcomes

Held 4 WT-HSJCC virtual meetings and one mega meeting, with the following discussions: Strategies on how to make the mega meeting identified issues actionable? What should the Toronto Local HSJCCs focus on regarding service coordination, advocacy, and information gathering? What's working well? For whom? With what impacts? What's not working well? For whom? With what impacts? A Google Doc spreadsheet was developed to track the Toronto Local HSJCCs mega meeting action/objective/ strategies.

As well presentations on the Family Support Worker at Reclaiming Our Community, Central Toronto Youth Services, Fred Victor on the court support services at the OCJ-T.

12 new members joined the committee from; Metis Nation of Ontario (2), Humber River Hospital, Jean Tweed Centre, Reconnect Mental Health, YMCA of Great Toronto (2) CMHA Toronto, Probation and Parole (4).

12 welcome packages were sent.

Added membership resulted in increased cross-sectoral coordination, planning and collaboration.

85 % of members who completed the evaluation identified as female, 8% as male, 8 % as LGBTQ2S, 15% as Indigenous, 8% as Black, 15% as racialized, 8% as person with a disability, 8% as person with lived experience of mental health, substance use and/or justice involvement, 0%, I do not wish to disclose, 0% Other.

85% of members who completed the evaluation were regular members, 11 out of 13.

Testimonials noted in the member's evaluation:

In what ways does the WT-HSJCC contribute to achieving the committee's mandate?

-The network has been valuable for connecting our program with key stakeholders in the justice system as well as potential service providers for our clients.

Educational information and informing committee of new initiatives and services that benefits agencies, service users and employees.

Collaboration, Information sharing, lunch and learn series

Food vouchers and presto cards for those in need to accent the human services in justice, information sharing, networking

Total membership is 56.

The previous year 75 people attended the regular 5 meetings, this year 59 people attended 4 meetings, not including the mega meeting.

The hybrid Toronto Local HSJCCs Mega Meeting on November 2, 2023 attracted 66 Local HSJCC members from all of the four Toronto Local HSJCCs (Downtown Toronto, North York, Scarborough and West Toronto).

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General Information for Activity III.	
Description	Issue identification: Work collaboratively to identify issues and barriers associated with the achievement of the goals identified above and determine how identified issues should be addressed, (i.e., at which internal/ external forums or tables).
Objectives and Key Deliverables	<p>Objectives: Strengthen coordination and collaboration between human services and justice sectors.</p> <p>Exploring the Committee’s capacity to address its role on the gaps and needs of the Ontario Court of Justice Toronto, Toronto Regional Bail Centre and Justice Centres.</p> <p>Key Deliverables: Continue to provide reports to the Toronto HSJCC meetings Ensure Co-chair(s) participate at the T-HSJCC meetings</p> <p>To collaborate in addressing system barriers for people involved with the justice sector who face significant systemic barriers to service access specific to the Ontario Court of Justice Toronto, Toronto Regional Bail Centre and Justice Centres.</p>
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Key Outcomes	<p>The WT-HSJCC prioritized having ongoing information sharing regarding the transition of the five courthouses to the OCJ-T and TRBC at the committee meetings. What should the Toronto Local HSJCCs focus on regarding service coordination, advocacy, and information gathering? What's working well? For whom? With what impacts? What's not working well? For whom? With what impacts? There was an overwhelming interest of members to come together and engage to build relationships which allows them to network, and address common problems by coming together and working collaboratively.</p> <p>In addition, the WT-HSJCC Co-chair is an active member of the Anti-Racism Ad Hoc Group that developed and implemented a five session educational</p>

	<p>series on Anti-Racism to improve the experience of equity seeking and racialized groups. Furthermore, we continued to pivot to online activities where possible. Inclusion of Black, Indigenous and equity deserving communities in leadership and membership at the Toronto HSJCC.</p> <p>The WT-HSJCC Co-chairs attend the Toronto Regional HSJCC. They report on the WT- HSJCC’s identified issues and priorities resulting in increased coordination and collaboration by building capacity and sharing responsibility.</p> <p>Member evaluations were completed and/or anecdotal feedback was provided, demonstrating increased participation with HSJCC and coordination between human services and justice sectors. We pivoted to virtual services that enhanced attendance.</p>
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General Information for Activity IV.	
Description	<p>Problem solving: Work collaboratively to address issues and barriers associated with the achievement of the aforementioned goals and determine where/how they should be addressed (i.e., at which internal /external forums or tables).</p>
Objectives and Key Deliverables	<p>Objectives:</p> <p>Continue to provide (as a last resort), transportation and food vouchers for individuals who come into contact with the justice system at their time of release.</p> <p>Submit monthly TTC token and food voucher reports to the T-HSJCC.</p> <p>Committee members continue to work collaboratively, utilizing a participatory group decision-making model.</p> <p>Continue to have Service Resolution and Coordination issues as standing agenda item for discussion at every meeting.</p> <p>Key Deliverables:</p> <p>Increase collaboration and coordination to solve problems with the resolution of systemic issues that impact individuals who come into contact (or are at risk of involvement) with the justice system.</p> <p>Continue with shared accountability.</p> <p>Review minutes to ensure participatory group decision making takes place.</p> <p>Review Action Items to ensure problem solving and service coordination issues have been dealt with at every meeting.</p>

	<p>Improve functioning and quality of life re: client's within the target populations over equity, anti-racism and the social determinants of health.</p> <p>Reduce recidivism by supporting improved client outcomes.</p>
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Key Outcomes	<p>The various agencies and programs at the courthouse and regional bail centre work collaboratively to ensure access to Presto cards, food vouchers, and clothing.</p> <p>A care room was created at the TRBC and OCJ-T to address the needs of vulnerable individuals when they are released. Presto Cards, food vouchers, and clothing are donated by agencies/organizations working collaboratively, including the Toronto Regional HSJCC. In addition, monthly Presto cards, and food vouchers, reports to the T-HSJCC were submitted by the Toronto Bail Program.</p> <p>Participatory decision making improves members' involvement and increases cross-sectorial collaboration.</p>
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General Information for Activity V.	
Description	Communication: Coordinate a forum through which to lead and facilitate communication among service providers in West Toronto.
Objectives and Key Deliverables	<p>Objectives:</p> <p>Continue with regular committee meetings and distribution of minutes</p> <p>Continue to discuss service resolution and coordination issues at every meeting</p> <p>Committee members have input regarding presentations and Lunch and Learn topics with a focus on equity, anti black and indigenous racism.</p> <p>Continue to maintain and circulate a membership list.</p> <p>Continue to provide information to the Regional and Provincial HSJCC</p>

	<p>Key Deliverables: There is evidence of engagement and participation from the cross-sectoral membership as identified in the Committee’s goals.</p>
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Key Outcomes	<p>Effective and ongoing collaboration leads to better coordination by engaging in joint cross-sectoral knowledge sharing.</p> <p>Committee meetings and Lunch and Learns PowerPoint presentation slides were circulated to members.</p> <p>Increased access to reliable and current information and analysis of human services and justice issues as demonstrated by the member evaluation and Lunch and Learn evaluations.</p> <p>Provide a virtual forum for information sharing through discussions at committee meetings.</p>
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General Information for Activity VI.	
Description	<p>Education: Provide educational opportunities for the cross sectoral membership on relevant topics relating to mental health, substance use, equity and anti-racism, criminal justice, service providers, people with lived experience, families, and communities of interest.</p>
Objectives and Key Deliverables	<p>Objectives:</p> <p>1-2 Lunch and Learns on topics directed by members input.</p> <p>Anti-Racism educational session in collaboration with the Toronto Regional HSJCC about the equity impact of social determinants of health and how they may manifest in the work of the West Toronto HSJCC.</p> <p>Collate and review Lunch and Learn evaluations.</p> <p>6 resources i.e slide decks etc. circulated from other local HSJCC’s Lunch and Learns.</p> <p>20-25 participants attend Lunch and Learns.</p>

	<p>Key Deliverables:</p> <p>Increase knowledge and awareness about client-centred best practices and trends related to people who come in contact with the justice system.</p> <p>Increase knowledge and awareness about mental health and substance use and how they relate to equity, anti-racism and the social determinants of health, housing status, poverty, social isolation, family breakdown etc.</p> <p>Enhance knowledge and awareness of the impact of stigma and/or racism for individuals who come into contact with the justice system and work to address through increased education.</p>
<p>Budget Allocated (As of April 1, 2023)</p>	<p>See attached HSJCC Financial report</p>
<p>Status Update as of March 31, 2024</p> <p>(Completed, Delayed, On Hold)</p>	<p>Completed</p>
<p>Key Outcomes</p>	<p>The Toronto Regional HSJCC established an Anti-Racism Ad Hoc Group to address Anti-Racism in the context of the HSJCC mandate working collaboratively among the Locals. The DT-HSJCC Co-chair is an active member of this group, that developed and implemented an Anti-Racism Lunch and Learn series of 5 sessions. The WT-HSJCC Co-chair reports to the committee on the activities of the Anti-Racism Ad Hoc Group.</p> <p>This year the WT- HSJCC collaborated with the Anti-Racism Ad Hoc Group to implement and lead two Lunch and Learn sessions that aligned with the identified interest of its members. These joint sessions increased the number of participants per session. Participants had the opportunity to ask questions and/or discuss situations that can be explored.</p> <p>These sessions led by the WT-HSJCC were: Anti-Racism Foundation 101 & A Facilitated Discussion Addressing Operational Organizational Strategies for Change and a Lunch and Learn on Harm Reduction Essentials.</p> <p>205 participants attended and 498 registered for the three virtual Lunch & Learn sessions.</p>
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General Information for Activity VII.

Description	Monitor the performance of the Committee: Collect, analyze, monitor and share data and information to continuously improve the systems' ability to meet the needs of its target population.
Objectives and Key Deliverables	<p>Objectives:</p> <p>6- 12 members attend committee meetings.</p> <p>Foster openness about different perspectives through discussion as well as recognizing and incorporating evaluation/ research and evidence-based practices to inform decision making.</p> <p>Analyze identified issues and respond appropriately.</p> <p>2 PowerPoint presentations shared among members.</p> <p>1 research paper shared among members.</p> <p>Key Deliverables:</p> <p>Increased access to reliable and current information and analysis of human services and justice issues.</p> <p>Provide a forum for data and information sharing through educational presentations.</p>
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Key Outcomes	<p>Increased access to reliable and current information and analysis of human services and justice issues as demonstrated by the member evaluation and Lunch and Learn evaluations.</p> <p>Provide a virtual forum for knowledge and information sharing through discussions at committee meetings.</p> <p>Year- end members evaluation and membership were confirmed.</p> <p>Circulated to committee members and/or uploaded to the HSJCC website the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Metis Nation of Ontario presentation PowerPoint slides -TSDC and TEDC Community Reintegration Planning Tables - YMCA-YSAP Supporting Youth Who Use Substances -The Guiding Good Choices -P-HSJCC Anti-Racism Committee Work - Toronto Community Crisis Service Northwest Pilot -Sunnybrook Hospital: The Brave Program

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Reclaiming Our Community -Central Toronto Youth Services -F.O.C.U. S Toronto Situation Tables resources - Drug Treatment Court: The model an evolution of the Toronto DTC - Overview of the Forensic Early Intervention Service (FEIS) and Reintegration Opportunities -Youth Justice Research Project <p>Total of 240 local HSJCC members received the information.</p> <p>Increased cross-sectoral members’ knowledge and awareness on all aforementioned topics.</p> <p>100% of members who completed the evaluation rated the meeting topics as good to excellent and 92% as very good to excellent.</p>
<p>Budget Used by March 31, 2024</p>	<p>See attached HSJCC Financial report</p>