



Treatment & Recovery Working Group Meeting

Monday, June 24, 2024 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Via Microsoft Teams

Present: Toluwalope Adedugbe (WECHU), Anastasia Adams (Welcome Centre Shelter), Erica Bassakos (HDGH), Jennifer Bradt (WECHU), Robert Cameron (ACT), Jennifer Cline (Windsor Essex CHC), Elizabeth Dulmage (Brentwood- Co-Chair), Kamillo Lamosa (ESC), Judy Lear-Zylstra (HDGH), Kayla Leckonby (Social Worker), Milvia Mendoza-Ramesar (Salvation Army), Theresa Sarkis (WECHU-Recorder), Selena Scebba (WECHU), Ron Sheppard (WFHT)

Regrets: Rio Anzolin (WRH), Kristi Benjamin (Peer), Holly Busi (HCC Ontario), Silvana DeLorenzis (CMHA), Holly Kettle (ESHC), Patrick Kolowicz (HDGH), Alison Malott (Peer), Kevin Matte (HDGH/CMHA), , Mack Park (UofW), Chris Thibert (Downtown Mission), Kelsey Vasovski (AEGIS Health), Amy Visser (WECHC), MHART Representatives (EMS/HDGH)

Co-Chair: Elizabeth Dulmage

Recorder: Theresa Sarkis

		<i>Action Required</i>
1.0	Welcome & Introductions Meeting called to order at 1:30 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vacancy in Co-Chair position 	If interested in the Co-Chair position, please reach out to Selena.
2.0	Approval of Agenda Agenda approved.	
3.0	Review of Action Items from April 22nd, 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create EMS client resource 2024 Project Proposal endorsed Approval of Minutes from April 22nd, 2024 Minutes approved.	
4.0	Meeting Goals 1. Review project updates	
5.0	Project Updates Enhancing PATHWAYS (E. Dulmage/S. Scebba) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tolu has joined to complete the inventory work. Thank you to Hotel Dieu and WECHU for creating this position. EMS Resource (E. Dulmage) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMS is launching Buprenorphine initiative this summer - wallet cards have been created, shared, and feedback incorporated. 	If interested in wallet card resource, please contact Selena for printing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final changes before printing and distribution to EMS. WECHU can print and distribute to interested partners. 	
6.0	<p>New Business</p> <p>Opioid Agonist Therapy (OAT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How can OAT be engaged, promoted or expanded to allow for organizations to make referrals to RAAM clinic. There is a need for this type of care and access, as well it would be important to remove barriers to accessing care. There exists some confusion amongst physicians and individuals as to what is available and the expectations when initiating services including resources availability and time delays. Education and referral process review is important to ensure partnered pharmacies are on board. 	Co-Chairs and Selena will work on a framework of intent and objectives of T&R WG intentions.
7.0	<p>Community Agency Roundtable</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salvation Army – they have implemented Harm Reduction bags for clients, looking to add some education resources to this bag of opioid replacement therapy DWCC – next event is at Bruce Park. 150 to 300 people are expected. Agencies are more than welcome to attend with resources for community engagement. HDGH – TSC has now transitioned to 500 Ouellette Ave. next to the ED. CHC - has over 5000 social housing units around WEC. There are community spaces in most neighborhoods for agencies that may want to bring education to these areas. There has been a significant increase in overdoses in Glengarry area and are looking for ways to help mitigate this with other agencies. 	
8.0	<p>WECOSS Pillar Updates</p> <p>Harm Reduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First overdose prevention event at the Aquatic Center with community members. 30 participants with 25 naloxone kits and 260 fentanyl test strips distributed. Three more trainings – one at the upcoming DWCC event, one in August with downtown businesses, and one in the fall with the construction industry. <p>Enforcement and Justice</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshops with professionals and students in social work and enforcement/justice. Two workshops have been completed and SECC and Southwest Detention. • Two more workshops are planned with students in the fall. <p>Prevention and Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launched social media campaign about WECOSS. • Ads will be coming out within the next few months to bring people to website. • Newsletter is planned and working on content for this now. 	
9.0	<p>Next Steps & Recap of Action Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If anyone is interested in Co-Chair position, please reach out to Selena. • Co-Chairs and Selena will work on a framework of intent and objectives of T&R WG intentions. • If interested in having print copies of the wallet card resource for you organization, please contact Selena. • Anyone interested in adding their services to be offered at WECHC, please contact Jennifer Cline - jcline@wechc.com 	
10.0	<p>Meeting Wrap up</p> <p>Adjournment: 2:35pm</p>	

Next Meetings:

- Monday, October 21st, 2024, 1:30pm – 3:30pm