

Regional Planning Table Minutes

Zoom Meeting, January 17, 2023



1. Participation at the Meeting

Present:

Noah Parchment, community member
Jesse Bosse, community member
Karen Luyendyk, community member
Jonathan Schmidt, Family Services Ottawa
Stephanie Carter, CHEO
Holly Brown, Centretown Community Health Centre
Arlyn Belizaire, Ontario Health East
Alex Tesolin, Wisdom2Action
Lynne Tyler, Catalyst Research and Communications, facilitator

Regrets/Did not attend: Oliver Thorne, community member; Asha-Maria Bost, community member; Stephanie Hemmerick, Seaway Valley Community Health Centre; Larissa Silver, Youth Services Bureau; James Demers, MAX Ottawa.

1. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Algonquin Territory

The RPT acknowledged that we were meeting (online) on the unceded territory of the Algonquin nation, and we reminded ourselves that many of us are guests here and to act, as much as possible, in accordance with local protocols.

It was noted that the RPT did not have a quorum present and consequently any decisions would need to be ratified by a sufficient number of absent members by e-mail.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the November meeting of the RPT were adopted as circulated.

3. Membership

Asha has taken a step back from the RPT as she has moved to Toronto, and has asked if she may remain as a member of the Table even though Toronto is outside of our catchment area. It was agreed that, if her move to Toronto is temporary, she could stay as a member. Lynne will contact her.

MAX Ottawa: James continue to be too busy to attend meetings of the RPT. Fae has reached out several times to see if someone else from MAX could be named as a representative, but so far has not been able to have the conversation with James.

Sarah has resigned from the RPT, which raises the question of whether we would like to seek out the parent of a child who is a community member.

Alex reported that five members of the CAT have indicated an interest in joining the RPT, while the budget will support one or at most two spots. The process is ongoing and our new member(s) will be named soon.

4. Update from W2A

Since the last meeting, Alex has been focusing primarily on two areas:

- a) Workplanning: reviewing previous documents of the RPT and the work of W2A on implementing this year's workplan, and then preparing the draft workplan based on that information.
- b) Community Advisory Table: supporting the work of the CAT in several areas:
 - Patient advocacy toolkit,
 - Community information panels: the first panel was held in December and others are planned through March. The recordings from the panels will be posted as a group in March, when there will be a promotional campaign to let the public know about them.

5. Workplanning for 2023/2024

Alex presented the key elements of the proposed priorities and workplan for 2023/2024.

1. Facilitate Quarterly Health, Community, and Social Service Meetings on Wrap-Around Supports
2. Maintain and Expand Partnerships and Relationships, including:
 - Health, mental health and social service organizations
 - Post-secondary and other education institutions
3. Work with Providers to Improve Youth Access to Trans Health Services Outside of the Hospital Setting (Stephanie C. also spoke briefly to this point)
4. Mobilize Intersex Resources
5. Host a Community Report Back Event
6. Facilitate and Support CAT Activities

In response to a question, Alex referenced who W2A has engaged or is planning to engage in the 1:1 interviews and discussions to contribute to the workplanning process.

6. Updates and Announcements

- a) Holly indicated that, due to technology issues, unpublishing the CCHC waitlist is delayed but will be soon.
- b) Alex noted Fae's participation in a call with the Minister of Health on the impact of the closure of Connect Clinic.
- c) Karen reported that she is part of a group hosting a six-week series on gender diversity in Almonte.