

Community Drug Strategy for the City of Greater Sudbury
 Steering Committee Meeting
 Tuesday, November 20, 2018
 10:30 AM-12:00 PM
 Withdrawal Management Services – 336 Pine Street

Present: Shana Calixte, Sandra Laclé, Chantal Belanger, Dr. Ariella Zbar, Renée Lefebvre, Public Health Sudbury & Districts
 Adam Day, North East Local Health Integration Network
 Amber Fritz, Réseau Access Network
 Jason Seguin, Health Sciences North
 Michelle Wrath, OPP
 Diane Zannier, Conseil scolaire public du Grand Nord de l’Ontario
 Michelle Cotnoir, Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario
 Jennifer Connelly, Sudbury Catholic School Board

Regrets: Daniel Despatie, Greater Sudbury Police Service
 Stephanie Kehoe, Métis Nation
 Melissa Roney, Greater Sudbury Emergency Medical Services
 James Killeen, Rick Waugh, Greater Sudbury Police Service
 Robert Parsons, Crown Attorney’s Office
 Denys Bradley, Federal Crown Attorney’s Office
 Nicole MacMillan, City of Greater Sudbury
 Mary Jago, Rainbow District School Board
 Rebecca Poulin, Greater Sudbury Emergency Medical Services
 Roxanne Zuck, Monarch Recovery Services
 Joseph Leblanc, Social Planning Council of Sudbury

Guest: Laurie Willett Daoust (Recorder), Public Health Sudbury & Districts

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1.0	ROLL CALL	10:35 a.m.
2.0	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	New members were welcomed.
3.0	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Approved with changes: Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.3 Volunteers • 8.4 Shelter Move 9.5 Communications Work Group to 7.7 Remove Cindy Rose. Amber Fritz is attending in her place.
4.0	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF	Approved with changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jennifer Connelly was present.

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5.0	DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST	None to declare.
6.0	PRESENTATIONS	No presentations.
7.0	BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING	
7.1	Early Warning Surveillance System Update	<p>EMS Data Sharing Agreement</p> <p>A data sharing agreement has been signed between Greater Sudbury Emergency Medical Services and Public Health.</p> <p>Early Warning Framework</p> <p>PowerBI dashboard is underdevelopment. GSEMS & Public Health have met to provide feedback which will be incorporated. After further validation by EMS, data transfer protocols will be tested.</p> <p>In January, data should be available to us and be notified of alerts. Currently working with Rebecca in EMS – we are contacted when something comes up.</p> <p>Once the process is tested and finalized, Public Health will access data to check its Syndromic Surveillance Aberration Detection and Analysis Protocol. Afterward, Public Health will access EMS suspected opioid call volumes on a daily basis and monitor for alerts (threshold to be determined during testing). Public Health Sudbury & Districts CDS co-chair will be notified of alerts. This procedure may be subject to change.</p> <p>Feedback from the March 28th Opioids workshop was received. Of the three responses collected, two-thirds indicated that everything looked good. The only suggested change was to more specifically outline the role of harm reduction from a public health perspective. A draft opioid response plan has been developed and will be circulated shortly for the steering committee to review.</p> <p>CDS is creating a response plan for CGS and are hoping to have it recommendations by March.</p>

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		<p>Drafting Policy - criteria for drug alert</p> <p>A policy is being developed. It will be shared with the committee once it is ready. Discussion took place around when to issue a warning versus an alert.</p> <p>Alerts have currently been issued same-day. Many approvals are required from various community partners to issue alerts, and the process seems to be working well.</p> <p>If an alert is issued on the weekend, individuals are to contact PHSD on call who will then make the necessary contacts to issue the alert.</p>
7.2	Needle Disposal Bin	<p>Currently, there are 7 needles bins installed in the downtown core:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hnatyshyn Park • Marymount green stairs • Corner of Eva Avenue and Kathleen Street • Mackenzie Library • Memorial Park • Leslie Street Bridge (Entrance of the Trans Canada Trail) • Energy Court (behind the Beer Store on Lorne Street) <p>The bin located at 200 Larch Street was removed from that site when the ownership for that building was transferred to CMHA. We are currently waiting for final approval from the City to relocate the bin temporarily to Durham Street near Christ the King Church which is housing the Off the Street Shelter. Once the shelter closes its doors in the spring, the needle bin will be relocated.</p> <p>Due to the high amount of discarded sharps in public areas, a need has been determined for the acquisition of three additional bins to be installed in community hotspots. A business case to acquire funding for the additional bins has been submitted to City Council for review for the 2019 budget.</p> <p>Currently, they are working with a local company to empty the bins however, it would be important to work with them to better collect stats regarding the content of the bins. Needle bins are currently emptied quarterly. However, 3 of 8 bins are</p>

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		emptied bi-monthly. Nicole MacMillan will connect with Annie Berthiaume, Manager in Clinical Services at PHSD to discuss the collection of this data.
7.3	CDS Website and Videos Updates	<p>Drug Alert/Warning sign up box</p> <p>Anyone who would like to sign to receive Drug Alerts/Warning can. The sign up is now live on the CDS website under News & Alerts. Steering Committee Members will automatically receive alerts, but staff will be encouraged to sign up using work and personal emails.</p> <p>A. Day suggested creating a social media campaign to promote alert sign up.</p> <p>Suggestions were made to target non-traditional partners such as grocery stores, food banks, leisure services pharmacies, doctor’s offices, schools, methadone clinics, etc. Outreach staff alert people who may not have cell phones. Other venues include the Advisory and NOSM.</p> <p>M. Wrath asked if a brochure could be developed to distribute during the RIDE programs. C. Belanger will send out the Where to get naloxone cards for the time being.</p> <p>Would the Communications Work Group lead these tasks (social media posts, brochure, etc.)?</p> <p>URL and CDS logo</p> <p>C. Belanger presented the new content of the CDS website (SCS and NAFS). The information on the website reflects the toolkit. The RFQ is also available online. The infographic and the glossary of terms will also be added to the website once the content is finalized. All content has been translated.</p> <p>If your agency is interested in placing the CDS logo on their website, please send an e-mail to drugstrategy@phsd.ca, and we will forward you the URL and CDS logo.</p> <p>L. Willett Daoust will look at having the Tool Kit, Infographic, Naloxone card, etc. available to download in the CDS website. The will ensure everyone has the latest copies.</p>
7.4	Naloxone Distribution	The naloxone program now has 22 (4 since the last report) memorandums of understanding with local agencies.

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	(Update)	<p>Overall, 26 (10 since the last report) agencies have been trained, receiving the “train the trainer” model for the distribution of naloxone. Also, selected Public Health Sudbury & Districts’ staff have been trained both in distribution and administration. In total, 158 individuals have been trained across Sudbury and districts.</p> <p>Up to now, 677 naloxone kits have been sent out to agencies with which Public Health Sudbury & Districts has a Memorandum of Understanding for the administration or distribution of naloxone.</p> <p>HSN’s Emergency Department is now trained so we can expect to see the distribution numbers rise significantly. Volunteer Fire Fighters could benefit from training.</p> <p>The group discussed the need to create a process to have expired naloxone kits returned and replaced since naloxone has a one-year shelf life.</p>
7.5	Partners in Prevention Northeastern Ontario conference presentation (update)	<p>Dr. Zbar, Inspector Dan Despatie and Shana Calixte presented at this conference, outlining the Community Drug Strategy.</p> <p>The presentation was not well attended, but those in attendance greatly benefited from the content. The presentation slides will be published online.</p>
7.6	Sharing CDS Messaging/Alerts	<p>A CDS communications toolkit has been created and includes key messages on stigma, harm reduction and supervised consumption services. The toolkit will be distributed for your reference. Providing consistent messaging to our community on these topics is important.</p>
7.7	HP Pillar Members	<p>We are still seeking membership for the Health promotion pillar. The individual can be a frontline worker from your agency that could participate in the development of prevention/promotion of the CDS.</p> <p>M. Cotnoir shared that the four school boards discussed working collaboratively around consistent messaging. S. Calixte suggested inviting the PHDS School Team Lead to help target schools A. Day will touch base with the Mental Health Lead Nurse in the schools (Amy Lee Roger). The group also discussed inviting Samantha Gaudet from GSPS to the table.</p>

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7.8	Provincial Direction	<p>The province announced the re-branding of SCS and OPS to "Consumption and Treatment Services." Additional restrictions on-site operations and placement are noted, and there is a cap on how many sites will be accepted (21 sites). This, however, only denotes those sites that will receive provincial funding. It is noted that four other PHUs are leading or supporting SCS-NAFS in their communities despite this cap. Should the cap be increased or removed, upon review of the CTS guidelines, the methodology used for our SCS-NAFS will include the required data and consultations as outlined in the CTS application form.</p>
7.9	Needs Assessment and Feasibility Study (NAFS)	<p>With thanks to our CDS-EC leads for reviewing the RFQ, it was posted on November 9, followed by a news release on November 13. The Research Officer will have responsibilities for primary data collection, secondary data collection, data analysis, community advisory committee participation and budgeting. The deadline for quote submissions is December 14. Q&As will be posted to our website for all submitting parties to view by November 29.</p> <p>A panel to review quotes will be convened consisting of A. Zbar, A. Lekun, R. St Onge, one peer and one community partner from the community advisory committee.</p> <p>Dr. Zbar shared that they will be using a toolkit that was developed in BC for the survey and the focus groups.</p> <p>An RFQ has been issued and closes December 18, 2018. More to come.</p>

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8.0	NEW BUSINESS	
8.1	Crisis Opioid Town Hall November 8, 2018 – hosted by Jamie West, MPP	<p>A Town Hall was hosted by Jamie West (MPP) on November 8. Dr. Zbar (PHSD), Julie Gorman (SACY), Marion Quigley (CMHA), France Gelinias (NDP) were all panel speakers.</p> <p>Providing community members update on the current opioid issues our community is facing. Approximately 60 individuals were present. The CDS was present to display Naloxone and promote the work we are currently doing in the community to address the harms related to drug misuse.</p> <p>Two main issues were addressed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What to do about used needles in the community? 2. What is currently being done? <p>The group agreed that there a more comprehensive panel would be needed and that the event wasn't publicized very well. The venue was also quite small.</p> <p>It would be beneficial to create a media package to help members of the media report SCS information correctly.</p> <p>Dr. A. Zbar shared that CDS needs to use caution when promoting SCS issues alongside the MPP. CDS needs to focus on community issues and serve our goals and not the MPP's.</p> <p>This evening, Dr. Zbar will be presenting at the City Council meeting where CDS is requesting \$60K to help fund the NAFS. CMHA, LIN, and PHSD have also provided funding.</p>
8.2	Preventing Problematic Substance Use in Youth Chief Public Health Officer's Report	<p>S. Lacle shared that the report was excellent. She thanked M. Cotnoir for moving it forward and suggested the group have a look at the report before the next meeting.</p>
8.3	Volunteers	<p>There have been some requests to volunteer for CDS. The group agreed that an application process would need to be created for volunteers. This would address the purpose for the request and what would like to be learned from volunteering for CDS.</p> <p>C. Belanger will follow-up with the volunteer requests to</p>

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		confirm their needs.
8.4	Shelter	Residents of Christ the King Church apartment building (which houses the Off the Street Shelter) are presenting their concerns regarding safety and needle use and discarded needles in the underground parking lot; There is work to try to get a needle bin in this location, but there is some hesitancy to do so from building owners. The Shelter is full, and Réseau Access Network is coming once a month with naloxone.
9.0	FOUNDATION WORKING GROUPS' REPORTS	
9.1	Health Promotion and Prevention	Deferred.
9.2	Treatment	Deferred.
9.3	Harm Reduction	Deferred.
9.4	Enforcement and Justice	Ontario Government regarding a regulatory amendment to the Police Services Act. With this amendment, Chiefs of Police will no longer be required to automatically notify the Special Investigations Unit when a police officer has administered naloxone or other emergency first aid to a person who dies or suffers a serious injury, provided no other interaction could have caused the death or serious injury
10.0	ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES	
10.1	Public Consultation on Potential Next Steps in Canadian Drugs & Substances Strategy (CDSS)	Deferred.
10.2	Naloxone Resistant Fentanyl (OHSUTP)	Naloxone Resistant Fentanyl does not exist. Will discuss at next meeting. See meeting package attachment.
10.3	Fentanyl Seizure in Northern First Nation Community Safety Bulletin Nishnawbe Aski Police Service (NAPS)	Deferred.

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11.0	NEXT MEETING	Tuesday, January 22, 2019 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Withdrawal Management Services – 336 Pine Street
12.0	ADJOURNMENT	○ 12:11 p.m.