



AGENDA

Community Drug Strategy for the City of Greater Sudbury
Steering Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

10:30 AM—12:00 PM

Teleconference: Microsoft Teams, details to be provided

Co-chairs: Shana Calixte, Public Health Sudbury & Districts
Daniel Despatie, Greater Sudbury Police Service

Recorder: Adrienne Moreau, Public Health Sudbury & Districts

Present: Nicole MacMillan, City of Greater Sudbury
Sandra Laclé, Josée Joliat, Brandon McIsaac Public Health Sudbury & Districts
Diane Zannier, Sudbury Catholic District School Board
Julie Ward, Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario
Adam Day, Ontario Health North
Todd Marassato, Greater Sudbury Police Service
Amber Fritz, Neil Stephenson, Veronica Mensah Réseau ACCESS Network
Adele Bodson, Rachelle Clouthier, Health Sciences North
Cindy Rose, Canadian Mental Health Association – Sudbury/Manitoulin
Karla Gharthey, Marie Pollock, STOP Society

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1.0	ROLL CALL	The meeting was called to order at 10:32 a.m.	
2.0	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS Welcome new members	Land Acknowledgement Introductions were made.	
3.0	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA	The agenda was approved as circulated.	
4.0	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 14, 2021	None to declare.	
5.0	DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST	None to declare.	
6.0	BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES		

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6.1	<p>Supervised Consumption Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ UPHNS ○ SCTS Provincial application ○ SCS Federal application • Education campaign 	<p>Construction of facility still on going:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Looking to be completed end of March beginning of April. - Consumption booths have been approved by the city to be added to the site - Wooden doors are in the process of being updated to metal frames with a reinforced door. <p>The contract between the City and PHSD is in the final stages of approval.</p> <p>Health Canada inspection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tentatively scheduled for March 30th. - To have a site visit, the site needs to have all items fully finished (supplies, staff training, logbooks, policy manuals, vaults) <p>Funds have been flowing from PHSD even though the agreement has not been signed between the City. The funds have been flowing for salary and for anything required that was in the original budget submitted to the City.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Réseau ACCESS Network can purchase required items (as long as in original budget) to help prevent barriers and have the site visit/site up and running in time. <p>Provincial Application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There were some gaps identified, and policies to continue updating. - Once Health Canada performs an inspection and authorizes us to operate as a UPHNS or CTS, then it goes to the province for the final application review. - Once final review is done, it goes to the minister for final authorization. - Site can operate as a UPHNS with funding from the City, until the 	

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		<p>province provides the approval and funding to operate as a CTS.</p> <p>Community members have reached out for updates about the SCS. PHSD has put together a short summary about progress for the Steering Committee members to forward/share with their contacts.</p>	
6.2	<p>Naloxone distribution update /</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Réseau ACCESS Network • PHSD • Pharmacies • Other agency updates • Drug testing strips • Home care/wound care 	<p>Réseau ACCESS Network Numbers: For the past 3 months RAN has distributed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 509 intranasal Injection kits - 10 injections kits - 10 Nasal refills <p>Winter months were slower, but outreach team is now back in community. Have hired a new outreach worker.</p> <p>Public Health Sudbury & Districts and community partners in our region distributed for the months of:</p> <p>December:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1,482 doses (1,156 kits) - There were 170 individuals trained - and 911 was called 21 times <p>During the same time period last year, there were 1,770 doses distributed.</p> <p>January:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 838 doses (404 kits) - 85 people were trained - and 911 was called 14 times <p>February, a preliminary total of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 645 doses (294 kits) - 97 people were trained - and 911 was called 12 times <p>HSN Pilot Program Numbers:</p>	<p>Action: PHSD to follow up with ministry to find out how they are planning to make naloxone more accessible or available to business.</p> <p>Action: PHSD to discuss strategies re. barriers when receiving Naloxone</p>

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		<p>Continuing to distribute within the hospital and outpatient settings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In December, there were 31 kits (62 doses) distributed. - In January, there were 25 kits (50 doses) distributed and 24 people trained. - In February, there were 35 kits (70 doses) distributed and 30 people trained <p>Ontario Mandating Naloxone Kits in High-Risk Workplaces:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High risk organizations and business to receive Naloxone. PHSD informed by the ministry that it will not be their role to distribute. More information to come. - Ontario Mandating Naloxone Kits in High-Risk Workplaces Ontario Newsroom - Discussions around community engagement when performing outreach for the SCS 	
6.3	Needle disposal bin update	<p>The total number of syringes collected by SACY for 2021 is 254,122. When you compare it to the final tally for 2020, 2021 saw a decrease of 49,596 syringes that were collected by SACY.</p> <p>For 2022, the statistics for the most recent month (February) saw SACY pick up 1,619 syringes on the ground from public property and 10,210 syringes were either drop off at SACY or collected from property owners in bulk.</p> <p>In total, SACY collected 11,829 syringes for the month of February 2022.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Action: PHSD to share “spring melt” messaging</p>

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		<p>Decrease in use of needle bins resulting in pick-up cancellations. Memorial Park and 199 Larch Street bins continues to be busy.</p> <p>When there are issues with bins re. rusted locks, or snow/ice build-up, the park department will go out to clean around the bins.</p>	
6.4	UPHNS Stakeholder Committee and Advisory Committee	<p>Meeting 4 times a year. First meeting occurred December 13, 2021.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussions included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o TOR o Membership (multi-stakeholder group) o Creation of a resource list o Mitigation strategies <p>Advisory group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No updates at this time - Open for members who access the site and are interested in joining - (To raise concerns, provide feedback, and provide education for community to bring to stakeholder committee) 	
6.5	Northern health units, Community of Practice	<p>Meeting held March 3, 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation held by Dr. Tara Gomes, Dr. Gillian Kolla and Jes Besharah on recent report: Patterns of Medication and Healthcare Use among People who died of an Opioid-Related Toxicity during the COVID-19 Pandemic in Ontario - Presentation shed light around those who are seeking health care prior to their overdose-related deaths - The group is hoping to unpack this information further. 	<p>Action: PHSD to connect Karla Ghartey with Amanda Perri (Northern Approach)</p> <p>Action: PHSD to send out doodle to gauge interest around presentation to Steering Committee</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An epidemiologist is going to pull together information to help guide a Northern Approach. 	
7.0	NEW BUSINESS		
7.1	Drug Warning/Surveillance data	<p>March 1st there was a drug warning with reports of unexpected reactions and an increase in overdoses from out community partners.</p> <p>The drug warning process was originally created with the goal to inform PWUD and provide harm reduction messages as a reminder to stay safe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion to receive feedback around if we are meeting our target audience, if process needs to be refreshed, if there is more, we can do, or are there different recommendations. - Statements in warnings may seem vague as PHSD cannot be specific on certain substance circulating as it hasn't been tested or approved. <p>Drug testing in Sudbury:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Time to strike up a task-group to research and report back to Steering Committee - Follow up needed to determine SACY's role in drug testing - More information needed re. Toronto and Vancouver drug testing 	<p>Action:</p> <p>Adele Bodson to explore what HSN has access to in terms of drug testing.</p> <p>Action:</p> <p>CDS chairs to begin communication around introducing taskforce and membership</p>
8.0	STANDING ITEMS		
8.1	Health Promotion and Prevention	Work is needed to re-bolster committee.	If anyone has contacts that would be interested in sitting on committee, please connect them with Josée.
8.2	Treatment	Ontario Expanding Mental Health and Addictions Services in Sudbury:	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ontario Expanding Mental Health and Addictions Services in Sudbury Ontario Newsroom - The Ontario government is investing \$2.5 million through the new Addictions Recovery Fund to immediately enhance access to addictions treatment supports at Monarch Recovery Services. - This funding will provide access to a total of 15 new addictions treatment beds <p>Paid research study - looking for people with OUD to share their experiences with pharmacist services (flyer)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seeking participants with Opioid Use Disorder for a one-hour virtual interview on experiences with pharmacist services. Time will be compensated. - Eligible if you have received a medication for OUD in the past year, including methadone buprenorphine (Suboxone) slow-release oral morphine (Kadian) injectable heroin or hydromorphone safer supply opioids - See the attached flyer for more information, or contact 1-888-444-2073 (toll-free) or email OUDCareRx@camh.ca 	
8.3	Harm Reduction	Meeting held on March 10, 2022. Going forward meetings will be held monthly.	<p>Action: Amber to seek out a new co-chair for Harm Reduction Pillar/ connect</p>

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		<p>One priority area that was identified was a Housing Pillar.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Housing is harm reduction. - There is a housing pillar in Thunder Bay. <p>Housing plays a big role in one's well-being, relationships with substances, amount of being substances used, and the way substances are used.</p>	<p>with Steering Committee Co-chairs</p> <p>Action: Josee to send CDS contact from Thunder Bay to Amber</p>
8.4	Enforcement and Justice	<p>Last quarter of 2021 and the beginning of 2022, police are seeing people who do not reside in Sudbury come from the South with handguns. When search warrants are conducted police are often finding drugs and handguns.</p> <p>Recently have taken down a project where an individual was often coming into town with around \$70,000 worth of cocaine and fentanyl.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In one month could be supplying close to half a million dollars to our community. <p>Discussions around a more holistic approach of policing and larger conversation around substance use. Ex. Decriminalization.</p> <p>There are concerns about what the effects on the community members are once a takedown of occurs.</p>	<p>Action: Co-chairs of Steering Committee to sit with pillar co-chairs to map out goals and priorities to match overall workplan</p>
8.5	Communications Working Group	No Updates	
8.6	Opioid Surveillance Committee	No Updates	
8.7	2020/2021 Work Plan	No Updates	
9.0	ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES		

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9.1	Drug Warning: March 1, 2022	Public Health Sudbury & Districts - News & Alerts (phsd.ca)	
9.2	Patterns of Medication and Healthcare Use among People who Died of an Opioid-Related Toxicity during the Covid-19 Pandemic in Ontario	ODPRN report PHO Presentation	
9.3	Northern Policy Institute report: Solving the Homelessness, Mental Health and Addictions Crisis in the North (presented to FONOM's Multi Minister Delegation on February 22, 2022).	Link to presentation	
10.0	NEXT MEETING	Date: TBD Time: from 10:30 to 12:00 (TBD) Location: Teleconference	
11.0	ADJOURNMENT	The meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.	

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