

WECHC PARTNERSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

WFCU (8787 McHugh Street) – Ontario Room

Wednesday March 8th, 2017 9:00-11:00 am

Chair: Kevin Webb, Clinical Director

Recorder: Mila Valli, Administrative Coordinator

Attended by 12 community partners

1. Welcome/Intro

K. Webb

- ✓ Approval of March 8th, 2017 Agenda – approved as circulated
- ✓ Approval of December 7th, 2016 Meeting Minutes (attached) –approved as circulated

2. Community Information Session

✓ **Health Force Ontario – Programs & Services**

Presented by: Saadia Pirzada

Power point presentation and hand out

Question: Are there any bilingual clients?

Answer: Yes. I believe there are a number of people who are bilingual who access this service.

Question: Who teaches about the indigenous persons?

Answer: This course is taught online.

✓ **Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Centre (SOAHAC) – Programs & Services**

Presented by: Melissa Thomas

Power point presentation and hand out

Question: Do you use referrals?

Answer: Yes, we have a referral form you can call the number on my business card and I can send one to you.

Question: Have you noticed an issues with opioids?

Answer: I can't answer for certain because I work primarily with children and youths, however we do offer support to persons with addiction through harm reduction and spiritual healing.

3. Community Partner Updates

All

WEHC

- ✓ Diabetes Wellness will become an ADP (Assistive Devices Program) site in near future. Clients can be referred and receive assistance with the ADP process when applying for funding for their device(\$7000 average cost). Primary location on Lauzon Parkway, however counselling is available at other sites to better provide services all around the community. *handout provided
- ✓ Chronic Disease Management offers exercise programs for our vulnerable population. Goal is to keep people active, healthy and independent for as long as possible. Persons must be able to stand in order to participate. Locations all over Windsor/Essex County. Please refer anyone who may benefit from this program.
- ✓ Grab bar and home safety program offered for people who could benefit from having grab bars, but who lack coverage or adequate funds. Three Occupational Therapists available to do home safety assessments (max three grab bars per home) as well as assisting clients with applications for mobility aids.
- ✓ Active Aging has partnered with the Alzheimer's Association to offer Minds in Motion (MiM). This is an eight week program providing exercise and cognitive stimulation for persons suffering from Alzheimer's and their caregivers.
- ✓ Dental Services are now available at the Street Health location where there is a dental hygienist and volunteer dentist on site. Call reception for more information. This program is for persons 18+ who are on ODSP or lack funding. Hygienist is mobile for clients who cannot come in.
- ✓ Not My Kid Drug Forum was held in LaSalle recently and was very well attended. Same session to be offered in Leamington in April.
- ✓ Several new services have been added at the Leamington site. They now offer infant hearing tests once a week and the mental health connections group is hosting monthly meetings (first Thursday) with the bilingual legal clinic focusing on providing legal advice to migrant workers.
- ✓ The baby box program was very successful. Fifty boxes were initially ordered and all have been distributed. The baby box program provides new mothers with a cardboard box that can be used as a bassinet and will come equipped with the mattress, mattress protector, fitted sheet, diapers, wipes, a onesie, newborn samples and coupons.
- ✓ Pickwick is currently going through some renovations that should be completed by the end of March. The site will now be open Monday through Friday with two health care practitioners on site.

LDMH

- ✓ Financial Fitness partnering in the outpatient department. They come the second Tuesday of each month and have a fair amount of people in the Leamington area participating.
- ✓ Stroke resource navigator has started and are currently taking both hospital and community referrals.
- ✓ W5 have been utilizing MSW students to provide social work support within the hospital six days a week. They are offering multiple services for newcomers and migrant workers and are currently in process of submitting a trillium grant that

they hope to use to aid in removing barriers and creating greater access for persons in need.

- ✓ Name change for hospital announced by media (Erie Shore Healthcare). More to come...

Windsor Essex Health Unit

- ✓ Associate Medical Officer of Health has called together several groups to review the current opioid crisis in the community. Currently we are at the data collection stage. There has been a lot of media coverage locally on this recently.
- ✓ Still working with the AIDS Committee of Windsor on the Naloxone kit program and concentrating on risk and harm reduction. Kits are available at local pharmacies.
- ✓ Cannabis legalization; currently looking at how to address this with respect to dispensing.
- ✓ Sliced will be held March 18th at Devonshire Mall. This is a nutrition event where emergency service providers will be competing in a chop style cooking completion.
- ✓ Ontario Public Health Standard in consultation phase with regards to the Healthy Schools program. Reviewing current standards as an opportunity for feedback.
- ✓ Community needs assessment was released in October and is available to view on the website.
- ✓ New Strategic Plan IS available to view on the website
- ✓ Number of suspended high school children is getting smaller as more children produce immunization records. This was the second group of suspensions; first group was elementary student in the fall.
- ✓ In consultation phase with school board doing a very comprehensive review to address health related topics in the current curriculum.

Harrow Health

- ✓ Secured funding for primary care satellite site in McGregor as a result was able to provide four days a week of service to the community.
- ✓ Memory clinic recently established at the Harrow site.
- ✓ Working in collaborating with Health Canada to launch an immunization program for adults.

Children First

- ✓ Children's First is a children's mental health agency servicing families with children from birth to age six who are at risk of experiencing developmental challenges.
- ✓ Currently we are very busy with lots of referral for school age children.
- ✓ We participate in the greater community early development screening events to aid in identifying children with concerns prior to starting school.
- ✓ New Facebook page and Twitter page available.

Windsor Residence for Young Men

- ✓ After four years, after care facilities will be expanding to help support young men when they leave.
- ✓ I would personally like to thank the Health Board firstly for our kitchens five star rating and secondly for the immunization program in helping young men take control over their own healthcare.

Family Services Windsor Essex

- ✓ Over the next month will be doing a review of the outreach strategies and there may some changes in the future (summer). Update to follow.

Community Living Essex County

- ✓ Partnerships are growing through the collaborative process.
- ✓ We are working on a WorkSure booklet we hope to be available to community soon.

Multicultural Council

- ✓ Clinic is currently transitioning to EMR system.
- ✓ Accepting any referrals for clients who are newcomers with no family doctor.
- ✓ Health Access Day April 25th from 9:30 am – 2:00 pm at the Caboto Club.

BANA

- ✓ Be Your Selfie campaign in conjunction with Teen Health was very successful. Took pictures with no editing to show teens they are beautiful without all the changes.
- ✓ BANA walk on May 20th at the riverfront.
- ✓ Health promotion presentations in schools now offered in French as well as English.
- ✓ Trying to bring puppet show back (jk-gr4); message around healthy eating, physical activity, teasing. Hope to start next September.

Leamington Area Family Health Team

- ✓ Currently have four doctors and three Nurse Practitioners to service patients.
- ✓ Welcoming new patients in July.
- ✓ Grocery store tour coming up on Wednesday March 29 from 2:30 – 4:30PM at the RCSS on Dougal (invite sent out).

4. Closing Remarks / Thank You

K.Webb

5. Next Steps

Presenters for June 14, 2017 Meeting

- 1.
- 2.

Presenters for September 13, 2017 Meeting

1. Windsor Youth Center – Tamara Kowalska
2. Family Service Windsor – Erin Flannery

Presenters for December 13th, 2017 Meeting

- 1.
- 2.

6. Adjournment

K. Webb

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am

The next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday June 14, 2017** from 9:00 am – 10:30 am
Located at : The WFCU Centre – Ontario Room (8787 McHugh Street)