



MINUTES


Community Drug Strategy for the City of Greater Sudbury
 Steering Committee Meeting
 Tuesday, February 20, 2024
 10:30 AM—12:00 PM
 Teleconference: Microsoft Teams

Chair: Sherry Price, Public Health Sudbury & Districts
 Daniel Despatie, Greater Sudbury Police Service

Recorder: Luc Cheff, Public Health Sudbury & Districts

Present: Sherry Price, Nicole Gauthier, Abbira Nadarajah, Renee Lefebvre - Public Health Sudbury & Districts
 Michael Roach, Dr. Tara Leary, Paola Nikodem - Health Sciences North
 Lisa Toner - Ontario Aboriginal HIV/Aids Strategy
 Heidi Eisenhauer - Réseau ACCESS Network
 Ayesha Iffat - City of Greater Sudbury
 Julie Ward - Paramedic Services

Regrets: Adam Day - Ontario Health North
 Valerie Lariviere - Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario
 Stacey Gilbeau – Public Health Sudbury & Districts

#	Item	Description of Outcome	Individual responsible for further action and deadline
1.0	ROLL CALL	The meeting was called to order at 10:34 am	D. Despatie
2.0	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS Welcome new members	Daniel welcomed all members to the meeting and introduced new members as required.	D. Despatie
3.0	TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	A territorial acknowledgement was provided	S. Price
4.0	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA	The agenda was approved as circulated.	D. Despatie
5.0	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES	 Minutes_CDS_Steering_Committee_Januar Reviewed and approved meeting minutes from January 16, 2024.	D. Despatie
6.0	DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST	None to declare.	All

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7.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES			
7.1	Overview of the Greater Sudbury Summit on Toxic Drugs	<p>Updates since last meeting include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On January 31 Public Health Sudbury & Districts released a summary report, <i>Honouring Voices, Embracing Perspectives, Moving Forward: A Summary Report on the Greater Sudbury Summit on Toxic Drugs.</i> • The report documents the insights and priorities from the December 7 and 8, 2023 Summit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cross-cutting priorities included the need to address structural stigma, enhance collaboration, remove barriers to access, and secure sufficient funding for long-term impact. - Top priorities for action for the three streams of the Summit included: Create a comprehensive strategy for youth that fosters resilience, ensuring that the voices of youths guide the development. - Increase supportive, transitional, and affordable housing. - Identify a lead agency to assist in service navigation for people who use drugs and to highlight gaps in these services, enabling organizations to collectively address them. 	S. Price
7.2	Transition Task Group recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Summit Transition Task Group was struck. The purpose of this group was to recommend a process and structure that will oversee advancement of Summit recommendations. • Membership included representation from the CGS, PHSD, HSN, GSPS, CMHA, Reseau, N'Swakamok Native Friendship Centre, and People with lived and living experience. • The Transition Task Group held a total of 2 meetings in January. 	S. Price

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At its final meeting on January 30, the Transition Task Group recommended that the CGS-CDS be responsible for advancing the summit priorities, while simultaneously assessing its own operations to better align with the three streams of the summit. 	
7.3	CDS Structure Survey	<p>The committee's insights and ongoing collaboration remain invaluable in the advancement of priorities identified at the Summit.</p> <p>A survey monkey will be circulated following this meeting to all CDS SC members and Summit invitees, seeking input regarding the new CDS structure (i.e. realignment, determination of co-chairs, alignment with workstreams or pillars, membership, etc.). Responses to the survey help inform next steps as we continue to move forward.</p>	S. Price
8.0	BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES		
8.1	Supervised Consumption Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on applications SCTS Provincial application The Spot Letter of support, The Spot	<p>A letter of support has been drafted in support of the SPOT. Will seek EC endorsement at March meeting.</p> <p>Heidi shared that there's funding for the SCS until the end of March, but due to the current month by month nature of the Spot, only one full-time staff member is left at the site. January saw the most visits since the opening. There will be an announcement since there are no more resources for fundraising. There will be a report that comes out in the next two months. There's a class lawsuit against a CTS because of a shooting.</p>	A. Fritz / S. Price
8.2	Review of Terms of Reference	Deferred	D. Despatie
8.3	Needle disposal bin update	<p>A. Iffat provided a year-end report for 2023.</p> <p>January stats: 621 pick ups, 2250 drop offs</p> <p>2022</p>	A. Iffat

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		<p>-total number of pickups - 83620 -total number of drop-offs - 62134</p> <p>2023 -total number of pickups - 27371 -total number of drop-offs – 45771</p> <p>Heidi said she picked up about 100 syringes off the ground last month.</p>	
9.0	STANDING ITEMS		
9.1	Health Promotion & Prevention	No update.	
9.2	Treatment	No update.	
9.3	Harm Reduction	No update.	
9.4	Enforcement & Justice	No update.	
9.5	Communications Working Group	No update.	
9.6	Opioid Surveillance Committee	No update.	
10.0	ANNOUNCEMENT/UPDATES		
10.1	Drug Warnings and Alerts	<p>An advisory alert was issued for Medetomidine/Dexmedetomidine since it was confirmed in Ontario, found by Toronto drug checking. It's in the same class as Xylazine – animal tranquilizers.</p> <p>The committee determined that it might be beneficial to expand drug warnings/alerts to any new drug or increase in overdose found in the province of Ontario.</p> <p>Sherry told the committee that a poster will be going out to the group near the end of the week with contact information to report new drug-related intel.</p>	S. Price
11.0	NEXT MEETING	Next meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2024, from 10:30 am-12:00 pm.	D. Despatie
12.0	ADJOURNMENT	The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.	D. Despatie

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