

OPIOID MISUSE IN WINDSOR-ESSEX

Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

2017 February 27 @ 1 p.m.

Windsor-Essex County Health Unit ('WECHU'), Room 1A

1005 Ouellette Avenue, Windsor, ON

Present:

Jeanie Diamond-Francis	Integrated Manager CMHA/HDGH	CMHA-WECB HDGH
Peter Chevalier	Staff Sergeant	LaSalle Police Service
Mike Symons	Detective Sergeant	OPP
Dr. Wajid Ahmed	Associate Medical Officer of Health	WECHU
Ramsey D'Souza	Manager, Epidemiology & Evaluation	WECHU
Nicole Dupuis	Director, Health Promotion	WECHU
Eric Nadalin	Manager, Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention	WECHU
Mackenzie Slifierz	Epidemiologist	WECHU
Gillian Stager	Health Promotion Specialist	WECHU
Rosanne St. Denis	Executive Assistant	WECHU (Recorder)
Novera Siddique	Medical Student	WECHU
Jim Farrand	Inspector	Windsor Police Service
Jeff Mailloux	Staff Sergeant	Windsor Police Service
Bruce Krauter	Chief	Windsor-Essex EMS

Regrets:

Tim Berthiaume	Chief	Amherstburg Police Service
Paul Bradford	Physician	WRH ER/SWORBHP
Al Frederick	Chief	Windsor Police Service
Ed Marocko	Inspector	OPP

CHAIR: Dr. W. Ahmed, Associate Medical Officer of Health (WECHU)

1.0 Welcome, Introductions, and Opening Remarks

Introductions were made. Attendees were thanked for their attendance.

2.0 Agenda Approval.

The agenda was approved as presented.

3.0 Review of Minutes

3.1 Advisory Committee Meeting: December 22, 2016.

Any errors in the minutes can be brought forward to Rosanne St. Denis for revision.

4.0 Presentations

4.1 OPIOID MISUSE IN WINDSOR-ESSEX

- M. Slifierz presented a PowerPoint presentation highlighting key points in the *Opioids Misuse in Windsor-Essex, January 2017*.
- The report provided ‘an overview of emergency department (ED) visits and admissions to acute care from emergency (hospitalizations) with one or more opioid-related diagnoses for Windsor-Essex County (WEC) residents in WEC hospitals. Local statistics were also reported for opioid-related deaths, newborns affected by maternal use of addictive drugs, and opioid-related claims through the Ontario Drug Benefit (ODB) program. Opioids include codeine, fentanyl, heroin, hydromorphone, methadone, morphine, and oxycodone.’
- WECHU has produced similar reports in 2015 and 2016.
- In reference to the maps provided in the 2017 report, WECHU was asked if additional data layers can be added to show the data better. WECHU committed to look into the feasibility and availability of the additional information.

4.2 OPIOID MISUSE & OVERDOSE PREVENTION STRATEGY: RECOMMENDATIONS

A PowerPoint presentation was provided by E. Nadalin.

The goal of the strategy presented is to create and implement an evidence-based opioid misuse and overdose prevention and response plan for Windsor-Essex that would increase the number and capacity of municipalities in WEC able to address the issues.

G. Stager spoke to the handout provided—An Opioid Misuse and Overdose Prevention Plan for Windsor-Essex County: Summary of Community Opioid Strategies in other communities and Recommendations.

Key next steps within the proposed strategy for Windsor-Essex would include:

- formalizing and establishing a leadership group
- conducting a more formal community assessment through a survey and/or key informant interviews
- hosting a formal consultation process with community partners
- designing an evaluation plan and program logic model for the strategy.

5.0 Updates

5.1 Indicators

- WECHU will continue to look for better indicators.

5.2 Data; Mapping; Sources; Data Sharing Agreement

- The Health Unit has access to some data sources.
- Windsor-Essex EMS will provide R. D'Souza with web access to their Analytics data. B. Krauter will provide a data sharing agreement to R. D'Souza.
- Windsor Police will try to get some of the Analytics information to WECHU.
- WECHU will attempt to access other data related to opioids as requested by the Committee.

6.0 Next Steps

- The Advisory Committee was asked to:
 - consider a volunteer for co-chair of the Advisory Committee to provide leadership support, especially in Dr. Ahmed's absence.
 - review the Opioid Misuse and Overdose Prevention Plan for Windsor-Essex County and provide feedback.
 - provide feedback on about doing a local survey commencing with experts in the field; followed by a community survey.
 - review the Opioid Misuse in Windsor-Essex, January 2017 report.
 - provide feedback on the documents by the third week of March. WECHU will send out a Doodle Poll for a follow-up meeting.
- Representation on the Advisory Committee from Leamington District Memorial Hospital was recommended, whether in person or via telephone. (Steve Daly is the Emergency Department lead, and Terry Shields is the CEO).
- Given pharmacists can provide a key piece of information, one or two were recommended on the Advisory Committee, as well as several more in the working group.

7.0 Questions

No additional.

8.0 Next Meeting

It was announced that there is a Not My Kid community forum re: opioids at the Vollmer recreation complex in LaSalle tomorrow evening from 6 to 8 p.m.

8.1 Advisory Committee—End of March (to be confirmed via Doodle Poll)

8.2 Internal Committee-TBD

9.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.