



## Yellowknife Regional Wellness Council Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday, October 21, 2020 4:30 PM - 7 PM

Location: Goga Cho, 2nd Floor Boardroom (4916 47 Street)
Teleconference: 1 647 556 5305 | Code: 13371256#
Video: https://my.telemerge.ca/meet/13371256

**Mission**: Working with people to optimize wellbeing through the provision of collaborative and culturally appropriate health and social service

**Vision**: Healthy People, Healthy Families, Healthy Communities **Values:** Collaboration Accountability Integrity Respect

**Cultural safety**: An outcome where Indigenous peoples feel safe and respected, free of racism and discrimination, when accessing health and social services.

## Attendance:

- x Nancy Trotter
- x Liz Liske
- x Nancy Cymbalisty
- x Liliana Canadic, COO
- x Michelle MacDonald, EA Minutes
- x Brandie Miersch (via phone)
- x Marie Speakman
- x Gilbert Langsi
- x Katey Simmons

## **Guests:**

**Jenna Long,** Territorial Manager, Cancer Care - NTHSSA

Pam Monkman & Gena Florio, Breast Health Action Group

#	Item
1.0	Call to Order
	Called to order at 4:35pm.
2.0	Reflection/Prayer
	Prayer was led by Marie.
	Welcome & Introductions
	Acknowledgement of traditional territory
	Safety Overview – Liliana
3.0	
	Nancy T. welcomed everyone to the meeting
	Introductions were given
4.0	Guest Speaker
	Cancer Services Presentation – Jenna Long





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	Cancer Care YK RWC Presentation. pdf
	<ul> <li>Jenna provided a presentation followed up with a Q&amp;A</li> <li>Q&amp;A items included:</li> </ul>
	Discussed the difference between organized and unorganized
	<ul> <li>screening.</li> <li>Importance of moving forward with working groups and representation from the public.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The need to focus on preventative care and screening.</li> <li>Transition to core funding as current contract ends in March 2022.</li> <li>The public may need to push government for more funding.</li> <li>Evidence of improved colorectal rates in the Beaufort Delta due to increased screening.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Communities can put recommendations forward.</li> <li>Leadership Council can advocate NTHSSA for funding needs.</li> <li>Request for data on patients who take a naturopathic approach.</li> <li>Importance of using local translators and hiring indigenous people into</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>roles.</li> <li>Putting Patient First assessment form is confusing for patients. Jenna will forward this feedback.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Lack of mechanism to flag new cancer diagnosis in ERM program.</li> <li>No designated rooms for palliative care in Stanton</li> <li>In some communities Cancer screening is handled by the Community Health Representative</li> </ul>
	Breast Health/ Breast Cancer Action Group - Pam Monkman
	<ul> <li>Mission: The NWT Breast Health/ Breast Cancer Action Group is an active, volunteer, non-profit board dedicated to promoting breast health, fostering hope and easing the journey of Northerners impacted by breast cancer.</li> <li>Pam Monkman gave a history and over view of services provided by this board. Several members are cancer survivors lending their lived experiences to the groups perspective. The Action Group began as a working group of survivors in 1996. Pam talked about resources developed by the group, Breast Health / Breast Cancer Toolkits provided to all the CHRs/ Health Centres, Survivorship Care Plans pilot project, partnerships and recent donations.</li> </ul>
	4.1 Approval of Agenda
	<ul> <li>Motion to approve by Katie, Marie seconded. All in favour.</li> <li>4.2 Declaration of Conflict of Interest</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>No conflicts were declared.</li> <li>Previous Meeting Minutes – Review and Approval</li> </ul>
5.0	Correction: the last bullet point will be removed from "New Business" and





	<ul> <li>placed at the bottom of the minutes.</li> <li>Motion to accept minutes with corrections moved by Nancy C., seconded by Gilbert. All in favour.</li> </ul>
6.0	Business Arising
	Discussion on potential presentation on pandemic plan. Members of the council expressed the need to have this presentation.
7.0	New Business
7.0	7.1 Brain Storm Ways to engage the Public – 15 minutes  • Items brain stormed:  • Utilize posters  • Meeting on city of YK calendar of events  • Social Media (Facebook – NTHSSA and public groups), YK Classifieds, Instagram, etc  • Church announcements  • School Boards (YK1, YCS, Dettah, N'dilo, Ecole St.Cyr, Fort Resolution, Lutselk'e  • Radio Stations (CKLB)  • Yellowknife Immigration (YIP)  • CDETNO (Job Fairs)  • Move meetings to a more public forum  • French cultural association/College Nordique  • YKDFN  • Dettah/N'dilo host a meeting  • Edge Magazine  • The NTHSSA communications team may already have recommendations.  • Updated activity plan and calendar invites will be sent out
	<ul> <li>7.2 Review Code of Conduct</li> <li>Brief discussion on the updated code of conduct provided this morning.</li> <li>Members are encouraged to read before the next meeting.</li> <li>Liliana stated that all staff have been encouraged to refrain from gossip and speculation.</li> </ul>
	Chairperson Report
8.0	Nancy T. reviewed her report. The Next Leadership Council meeting has been changed to <u>December 8 to 10</u> , 2020.
	COO Report
9.0	<ul> <li>Liliana reviewed report and highlights.</li> <li>Discussed the level of calls in Public Health, contract tracing and result time turnaround.</li> </ul>



	<ul> <li>Alternate location for COVID drive-thru being explored.</li> <li>Flu immunization availability- until Feb/March.</li> </ul>
10.0	<ul> <li>Roundtable Updates- Community activities, questions and concerns</li> <li>A member provided the contact information of Erin Wagner, Stanton Hospital Quality Risk Manager to an individual in the community. The person had concerns about the lack of comfortable chairs for patients like herself having treatments in the Day Procedure Unit at the hospital. After the individual spoke with Erin Wagner, comfortable chairs were placed in the Day Procedure unit.</li> <li>A member stated that the phone call system is hard to navigate and that public don't want to talk to a machine.</li> <li>A member stated that some people do not know what services are available to them for victim services and shared a story of helping someone out.</li> <li>A member questioned if health care professionals have received enough training on the impacts of the residential school system.</li> <li>A member questioned if the 14 day isolation period will be reduced with rapid testing. Not known at this time.</li> <li>A member stated that there is not a social worker at Avens.</li> <li>A member stated a need for an indigenous social work and access to native languages at Stanton. Liliana confirmed that Stanton Territorial Hospital has an Aboriginal Wellness Program including medical interpretation for indigenous languages. Also there is a "CanTalk" interpretation phone system accessible 24/7 across NTHSSA health centres.</li> <li>A member requested to have the COO from Stanton at a future meeting.</li> </ul>
11.0	In Camera Session  Motion to move into the in-camera session by Liz, Marie Seconded.  Motion to come out of the in-camera session by Liz, Marie seconded.
12.0	RWC Report to Leadership Council- what items do we want to take forward to the Leadership Council?  Deferred to the next meeting.
13.0	Closing Reflections / Prayer  Closing prayer led by Gilbert.
4.0	Motion to Adjournment  Meeting adjourned with prayer.