

Yellowknife Regional Wellness Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

4:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Location: Goga Cho, 2nd Floor Boardroom (4916 47 Street)

Teleconference: 1 647 556 5305 | Code: 13371256#

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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**, Chair
- X **Nancy Cymbalisky**
- X **Katey Simmons**
- X **Liliana Canadic**, COO
- X **Helna Poruthur**, EA – Minutes
- X **Liz Liske**
- X **Brandie Miersch** (via phone)
- X **Marie Speakman**
- X **Allen Stanzell** (via phone)
- X **Gilbert Langsi** (via phone)
- X **Gloria Enzo** (via phone)

Guests:

- X **Nathalie Nadeau** – Executive Director, Child and Family Services
- X **Colette Prevost** – Territorial Executive Director, Child and Family Services
- X **Georgina Veldhorst** (via phone)– Chief Operating Officer, Stanton Territorial Hospital

#	Item	Time	Responsibility
1.0	Call to Order Meeting called to order at 4.40pm.	4:40	Nancy Trotter
2.0	Reflection/Prayer Opening Prayer was led by Marie.	4:41	Marie Speakman
3.0	Welcome & Introductions Nancy welcomed everyone to the meeting, including special guests	4:42	Nancy Trotter
	Introduction to guest speakers – Nathalie, Colette and Georgina		
	3.1 Acknowledgement of traditional territory		Nancy Trotter
	3.2 Safety Overview		Liliana
4.0	Guest Speakers	4:45	

	<p>4.1 Federal Act DHSS Implementation Nathalie Nadeau – Executive Director of Child, Family and Community Wellness Colette Prevost – Territorial Executive Director of Child, Family and Community Wellness</p> <p>Focus of the discussion: <i>The new federal legislation and its impact on our legislation, standards, policies, and practice.</i></p> <p>Question and Answers are attached separately with the minutes as Appendix 1.</p>		Nathalie Nadeau
	<p>4.2 Georgina Veldhorst – Chief Operating Officer, Stanton Region</p> <p>Focus of the discussion: Concerns from the Yellowknife community</p> <p>Question and Answers are attached separately with the minutes as Appendix 2.</p>		Georgina Veldhorst
5.0	Agenda and Minutes		
	<p>5.1 Approval of Agenda Motion to approve by Nancy C. seconded by Katey. All in favor.</p>		
	<p>5.2 Previous Meeting Minutes – Review and Approval Changes to the previous minutes as below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spelling error for a member was noted and revised <p>Motion to accept minutes with changes, moved by Katey and seconded by Marie. All in favor.</p>	6:50	Nancy Trotter
	<p>5.3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest No conflicts were declared.</p>		
6.0	Business Arising		
	<p>6.1 Lutselke representation at RWC Gloria Enzoe was introduced as the new member, representing Lutsel'ke community. If Gloria is unable to attend the Chief will be attending on her behalf</p> <p>Orientation for Gloria to the role of Regional Wellness Council will be provided by Liliana and Allen.</p>	6:55	Nancy Trotter
	<p>6.2 Handbook update A revised Handbook for RWC members was mentioned by Nancy. Since the original Handbook was distributed</p>		

	previously, members can request Helna for a copy of the new version or select pages for reference.		
7.0	New Business	7:00	Nancy Trotter
	7.1 CHR (Dettah/N'Dilo) This item was deferred until next meeting.		
8.0	<p>Chairperson Report The chair report summary was circulated along with the agenda previously to all members.</p> <p>Nancy addressed the importance of Quality committee, as discussion pertains to quality of care. All members of the Leadership Council are considered participants to this committee.</p> <p>Nancy mentioned the introduction of a new Score card system to assess the care provided within the health system.</p> <p>In addition, Liliana gave a brief background on how information is being collected for the new Score Card and some of the challenges presented while collecting data on the card.</p> <p>Brief discussion over a potential Score card presentation was discussed, however most information is still confidential; this will be revisited at a later meeting date.</p> <p>Next Leadership Council meeting is being held from March 02nd to 04th, however 03rd March meeting is a closed one for outside members.</p> <p>Nancy will forward a draft agenda to the RWC members if there is any interest in attending the meeting.</p> <p>Elizabeth Liske will be chairing the upcoming RWC meetings in April and May.</p> <p>Ashley Crump will be presenting for our April meeting on Advanced Care planning and Palliative Care.</p>	7:01	Nancy Trotter
9.0	<p>COO Report The COO summary was circulated along with the agenda, previously to all members. COO summarized highlights from the report at the meeting.</p> <p>Smoking Cessation program has been funded for one year and will start at Yellowknife Primary Care in 2021/22 fiscal year.</p> <p>COO gave a brief overview on timelines for the Stanton Legacy project.</p>	7:15	Liliana Canadic

	<p>A member wanted to get clarification on Teachers being considered as essential workers as well as Nurses coming into the schools to provide vaccinations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COO was not aware of that category of worker being added to the criteria • Current options for COVID vaccination were highlighted. <p>A member asked on Health Centre setting for locums, who visit the community, to practice social distancing and was concerned about community spread, if there are no procedures in place that is being tracked.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COO confirmed that all employees are required to practice safe distancing and use personal protective equipment (PPE); employees are also screened daily, upon arrival to work for any symptoms; any employee with symptoms is not be allowed to work • Other measures in place include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Maximum room capacity with distancing is measured and identified in each room (meeting room included) ○ All individuals entering the facility are screened at the front and given either a Green or Yellow sticker based on their symptoms ○ If distancing is not possible, use of additional PPE and environment adjustments (like installation of plexiglass barriers) are implemented <p>A member provided positive comment on Home Care’s involvement in Stanton’s discharge planning process.</p>		
10.0	<p>Roundtable Updates - Community activities, questions, and concerns</p>		
	<p>10.1 Lutsel’Ke Community</p> <p>A member wanted to know if there was a mobile defibrillator in the Health Centre and/or if the machine can be taken outside of the building to use for emergency.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liliana clarified that the existing defibrillator in the emergency room is not mobile and can only be used by a professional • Further to that, a detailed meeting on acquiring a mobile defibrillator for the Health Centre can also be arranged with appropriate representatives • Liliana acknowledged that having a mobile equipment can be very helpful in the community 	7:30	Nancy Trotter

	<p>Another question was regarding policies and regulations around nurses stepping out of the Health centre for 911 emergency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Liliana clarified that there are policies in place within our organization for nurses, stating that they are not the first medical responders to a 911 emergency ○ Liliana will have a separate meeting with the member to discuss this topic in detail as there are different government bodies that will need to get involved to address this issue within the community 		
	<p>10.2 Yellowknife Community A member wanted to inquire on the percentage of locums coming into town for services.</p>		
11.0	<p>RWC Report to Leadership Council - Items to take forward to the Leadership Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A member requested, "Where is the territory with Cannabis edibles?" • Vaccination availability for the rest of the age groups/population within Yellowknife community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Clarification was made that this decision rests with the Chief Public Health Officer <p>The Chair has received a letter from the MLA (Julie Green) on funding in culturally appropriate suicide prevention program which will be shared with the rest of the RWC members.</p>	8:05	Nancy Trotter
12.0	<p>Closing Reflections / Prayer Closing prayer was led by Gilbert.</p>	8:09	Gilbert Langsi
13.0	<p>Motion to Adjourn Motion to adjourn by Marie and seconded by Nancy C. All in favor.</p>	8:10	Nancy Trotter

Next Meeting – April 21, 2021