



## Human Services and Justice

### August 2014

#### New Adult Criminal Justice and Mental Health Systems Map



With extensive feedback from the HSJCC Network and consultation with the broader human services and justice community, CMHA Ontario has released a revamped map of the Adult Criminal Justice and Mental Health Systems. This map was originally created in 2009 as part of the CMHA Ontario Network issue on [Forensic Mental Health](#) (see page 14). The new map provides an overview of the various pathways through the criminal justice and mental health systems with a focus on where these two systems intersect. Although this map provides a general overview, it is important to note that each individual's case can be different and not all journeys through these systems are reflected in this map.

The aim of this new resource is to assist individuals who have come into contact with the law and may be appearing before the court, as well as their families and others who support them, to navigate the two systems. While this map looks at adults aged 18 or older, there is also a youth map which was created by the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health that looks at youth aged 12 to 17.

The creation of these two maps marks the first step towards the development of a comprehensive set of resources for individuals who have come into contact with the law and their families as well as service providers who work at the intersection of the criminal justice and mental health systems. We are now beginning to work on a provincial booklet for the adult criminal justice and mental health systems. This booklet will be based on the one created by the Kitchener HSJCC in 2010, titled [Mental Health, the Justice System and You](#). We also hope to create a similar booklet for the youth justice system. Stay tuned for these new resources as well as a series of webinars that will provide further context and details for each step through these systems.

View the Adult Criminal Justice & Mental Health Systems Map in [English](#).

View the Adult Criminal Justice & Mental Health Systems Map in [French](#).

View the Youth Criminal Justice & Mental Health Systems Map in [English](#).

View the Youth Criminal Justice & Mental Health Systems Map in [French](#).

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## Systems Improvement through Service Collaboratives

### Making an evidence-informed model work for the Champlain Justice Service Collaborative

“[Intersections](#)” is an early intervention model that focuses on navigation and coordination of services for youth (ages 11 to 13) with suspected mental health and/or addictions issues, who are at risk of becoming justice involved. It’s been developed by the Champlain Youth Justice Service Collaborative (CYJSC) to improve well-being and reduce involvement with police services. Intersections is adapted from the Youth Justice Liaison and Diversion Model, an evidence-informed model developed by the Child and Maternal Health Intelligence Network, Public Health England.

Earlier this year, the CYJSC completed a critical components exercise, where members applied their professional and lived experience in the Champlain community as a lens to understand what is most important, and what can be adapted or modified to achieve optimal results. (Read more on this first step [here](#).)

Building from the critical components exercise, the Champlain Implementation team established the “What” and the “How” of the intervention. The “What” is the intervention, whereas the “How” is about how it would play out in the different communities. This ensures a cross-Champlain umbrella understanding of the program, while keeping in mind that how it would look on the ground depends on the services available in

each region of Champlain.

21 dedicated implementation team members worked hard to adapt the Youth Justice Liaison and Diversion model into an intervention that reflects the needs of the Champlain communities. Regional implementation teams were created to engage key community partners so that Intersections would resonate with each unique community.

The next phase of the project is preparing for the initial implementation of Intersections in the Fall of 2014. Throughout the summer, regional groups that will be launching Intersections in the fall will be working hard to solidify the final operational aspects of the intervention with the support of CAMH project resources. Projected timelines associated with the launch will entail training around Intersections in the regions in early September, with the intervention operational in October.

Read the full article, with more information on Champlain's communities and how Intersections is being adapted in each, [here](#).

*For more information on a Service Collaborative in your area, and a map of all 18 Service Collaboratives, click [here](#).*

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### **ARCH Disability Law Centre is Seeking Two Board Members**

ARCH's Nominating Committee invites applications from across Ontario from those interested in serving on the [ARCH Board of Directors to fill two vacancies](#).

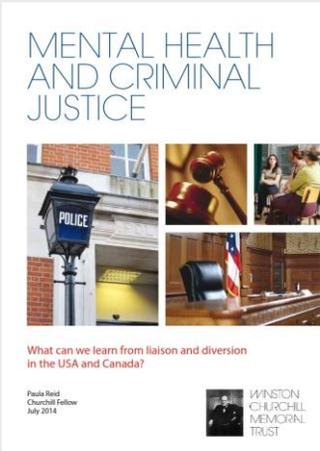
The Committee is seeking, in particular, someone with an accounting or financial management background and someone from Northern Ontario.

According to the by-laws, the ARCH Board is to be composed of 13 directors and a majority of the directors must be persons with disabilities.

Prospective directors should know that ARCH provides legal services throughout Ontario for persons with disabilities. Applicants should have at least 5-10 hours a month to dedicate to ARCH. This includes preparation for and attendance at Board meetings, in person or by telephone conference call, participation on at least one committee, and participation at occasional day-long events, including planning meetings. ARCH reimburses directors for travel costs and covers disability accommodation expenses.

The Nominating Committee will review the list of prospective directors, interview selected applicants and do its best to nominate a slate of individuals who collectively cover as many of the skills, experience and geographic coverage it has identified to strengthen the Board's capacity to effectively lead ARCH over the next two years.

The Nominating Committee requests that interested applicants send an email expressing interest together with a resumé or short biography to by:  
**September 5, 2014 to Ivana Petricone at [petricoi@lao.on.ca](mailto:petricoi@lao.on.ca).**



MENTAL HEALTH AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The HSJCC network is mentioned as a best practice in the new UK report, "*Mental Health and Criminal Justice - What Can We Learn from Liaison and Diversion in the USA and Canada?*".

Also featured is the partnership between the Hamilton Police Service and St. Joseph's Healthcare, and the Mental Health and Justice Safe Beds initiative in Toronto.

What can we learn from liaison and diversion in the USA and Canada?

Paula Reid  
Churchill Fellow  
July 2014

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### Northeast Regional HSJCC partners on NCR Webinar

The "Not Criminally Responsible" Bill became law on April 11, 2014. This [recorded webinar](#) walks the viewer through the bill and how it may

change the legal and clinical practice of those working in the fields of human services and justice.

[Visit the HSJCC Website](#)

## Justice Issues

[Canada Sticking To Tough On Crime Approach, While U.S. Slowly Moving Away: Report](#)

*The Canadian Press*

[Criminalization of Mental Illness: It's a Crime](#)

*National Alliance on Mental Illness*

[The animal in you: Animalistic descriptions of a violent crime increase punishment of perpetrator](#)

*Aggressive Behavior*

[The Hidden Power of Courts That Heal](#)

*The Huffington Post*

## Developmental Disabilities

The Select Committee on Developmental Services of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario issued a report called "[Inclusion and Opportunity - A New Path for Developmental Services in Ontario](#)".

[Crisis of wait lists for developmentally disabled people in Ontario](#)

*Caledon Citizen*

[Adults with autism focus of new Ontario working group](#)

*Toronto Star*

[Comparison of social circumstances, substance use and substance-related](#)

[harm in soon-to-be-released prisoners with and without intellectual disability](#)  
*Journal of Intellectual Disability Research*

[Yukon's 'pioneer' FASD residence is working: staff](#)  
*CBC*

### Acquired Brain Injury

[Head injury link to reoffending](#)  
*The Press and Journal UK*

[Team studying acquired brain injuries in Hamilton inmates](#)  
*Hamilton Spectator*

### Mental Health

[The Geel question](#)  
For centuries, a little Belgian town has treated the mentally ill. Why are its medieval methods so successful?  
*aeon*

[Canada and France to co-host Global Dementia Legacy Event in September](#)  
*Canadian Institutes of Health Research*

[Pam Owen, beaten mental health worker, doesn't blame attacker](#)  
*CBC*

[Mental illness: A depressing failure of public policy](#)  
*The Globe and Mail*

**Submit articles and events to the Editor, Trevor Tymchuk, at [trevor@afewthings.ca](mailto:trevor@afewthings.ca)**

### Corrections

[Survey: 70 Percent of US Jail Inmates Are Mentally Ill](#)

*Standard Examiner*

[Severely mentally ill offender almost dumped at emergency as her sentence ended](#)

*Ottawa Citizen*

[Prison guards not trained to deal with severely mentally ill: union](#)

*The Canadian Press*

[Ontario jail guards' union pushing members to report minor assaults police](#)

*The London Free Press*

[Inmate committed suicide after being left in solitary confinement for 162 days, inquiry concludes](#)

*Northern Journal*

[Exposing 'Sex' Offenders - Precarity, Abjection and Violence in the Canadian Federal Prison System](#)

*British Journal of Criminology*

[Corrections Canada seeks new powers as contraband seizures rise](#)

*CBC*

## **Policing**

The independent review of the use of lethal force by the Toronto Police Service issued their report in July 2014. Entitled "**Police Encounters with People in Crisis**", the [full report](#) and an [executive summary](#) can be found at <http://www.tpsreview.ca/>

[Justice Frank Iacobucci lays out 84 recommendations for police](#)

*City Centre Mirror*

[Implementing Iacobucci's recommendations won't be simple: Mukherjee](#)

*Toronto Sun*

[Evaluating Mobile Crisis Intervention Teams in Toronto](#)

*Centre for Research on Inner City Health - St. Michael's Hospital*

[Mental health commission calls for more experts in police training](#)

*CBC*

[Mental health report calls for better police training in 'de-escalation' techniques](#)

*Postmedia*

[MHCC Report Outlines Training and Education Recommendations to Improve Interactions between Police and People with Mental Illness](#)

*Mental Health Commission of Canada*

[Police must reach out to mentally ill, says new Waterloo Chief Bryan Larkin](#)

*CBC*

## **Addictions**

[A Canadian Perspective on Addiction Treatment](#)

*Substance Abuse*

[An upside-down struggle](#)

Daughter's death shaped drug court judge's view of addiction, redemption

*Portland Tribune*

[Development of national strategy on prescription drug abuse a collective action](#)

*Guelph Mercury*

[Violent offending severity among injecting drug users: Examining risk factors and issues around classification](#)

*Addictive Behaviors*

## **Forensic System**

[Characteristics and motivations of absconders from forensic mental health services: a case-control study](#)

*BMC Psychiatry*

[Staff at new Waypoint facility say an escape was imminent](#)

*QMI Agency*

[Southwest Centre for Forensic Mental Health Care wins international design award](#)

*St. Thomas Times-Journal*

[Inpatient aggression by mentally ill offenders: a retrospective case-control study](#)

*The Journal of Forensic Psychiatry & Psychology*

[Exploring Individual Factors Associated with Critical Incidents in a Secure Psychiatric Setting: A Preliminary Study](#)

*Psychiatry, Psychology and Law*

[Evaluator differences in Psychopathy Checklist-Revised factor and facet scores](#)

*Law and Human Behavior*

[When the hospital is behind bars](#)

*Yukon News*

## Children and Youth

[Homeless youth and mental health: What's next?](#)

*Centre for Addiction and Mental Health*

[Characteristics of female patients admitted to an adolescent secure forensic psychiatric hospital](#)

*The Journal of Forensic Psychiatry & Psychology*

[Using Developmental Science to Reorient Our Thinking about Criminal Offending in Adolescence](#)

*Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*

[The Current Status of Evidence-Based Practice in Juvenile Justice](#)

*Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*



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## Upcoming Events

### [International FASD Awareness Day](#)

September 9, 2014

Every year on September 9th, International FASD Awareness Day is observed. People all around the world gather for events to raise awareness about the dangers of drinking during pregnancy and the individuals and families who struggle with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD).

### [PSR-RPS Canada - Partners in Recovery - Uncovering Potential](#)

Toronto

September 22 - 24, 2014

Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR) Réadaptation Psychosociale (RPS) Canada is a leader in transforming the mental health sector to be an inclusive society where people achieve full social inclusion. The Association promotes psychosocial rehabilitation principles and the growth of psychosocial rehabilitation practices in Canada.

### [Mental Illness Awareness Week](#)

October 5 - 11, 2014

One of MIAW's major initiatives is the Faces of Mental Illness campaign, a national outreach campaign featuring the stories of Canadians living in recovery from mental illness. Thousands of pieces of

## Useful Links

### [Canadian Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry](#)

Dedicated to promoting mental health in the Canadian elderly population through the clinical, educational and research activities of its members.

### [Canadian Society of Addiction Medicine](#)

The Society offers a resource of scientific and medical information about Addiction, for professionals and the general public. Bulletin articles with news and views, Definitions, Policy Statements, and networking are available to improve the understanding, assessment, treatment, prevention and research related to Addiction Medicine in Canada and around the world.

### [CIT International](#)

CIT International is a non-profit membership organization whose primary purpose is to facilitate understanding, development and implementation of Crisis Intervention Team CIT programs throughout the United States and in other nations worldwide in order to promote and support collaborative efforts to create and sustain more effective interactions among law enforcement, mental health care providers, individuals with mental illness, their families and communities and also to reduce the stigma of mental illness.

MIAW posters, brochures, and bookmarks featuring the Faces are disseminated to hundreds of organizations across Canada in an effort to raise awareness and end the stigma associated with mental illness.

[Ontario Working Group on Mental Health and Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder - Forging Responses to a Marginalized Population](#)

Toronto  
October 22, 2014

Ontario's youth and adults with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) are increasingly being diagnosed with, and are likely to suffer from, mental health disorders in their lifetime. As a result, there is a demand for knowledge of their needs amongst clinicians in the province's adult mental health sector. This one-day conference will be of interest to psychiatrists, family doctors and mental health clinicians.

[A Day in the Life of a Charged Youth - York-South Simcoe 2014 Conference](#)

Vaughan  
October 29, 2014

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Stuart Shanker, Research Professor & Director, York University  
Hosted by the York - South Simcoe Regional Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee.

[Stripped Down: The Bare Essentials of Being Human in Human Services](#)

Keene (near Peterborough)  
December 12, 2014

An Educational Retreat Day for all Health, Social Work and Justice Professionals. Are you Feeling - Depleted, tired, burnt out or drained? Come and gain successful coping strategies for growing and thriving as you are changed by your work.

[More Event Listings](#)

[Geneva Centre for Autism](#)

We offer a wide range of clinical services which are determined individually for each person with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). All of our clinical services are supported by a multi-disciplinary team of trained, experienced and empathic professionals including speech-language pathologists, behaviour analysts, therapists, early childhood educators, occupational therapists, developmental paediatricians, psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers.

[American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law](#)

AAPL (pronounced "apple") is an organization of psychiatrists dedicated to excellence in practice, teaching, and research in forensic psychiatry. Founded in 1969, AAPL currently has more than 1,500 members in North America and around the world.

[Council for Health Improvement through Research and Practice](#)

CHIRP is the Council for Health Improvement through Research and Practice, a not-for-profit society which promotes the interaction of health professionals of many modalities, allowing them to interact and communicate, and thereby enhance their abilities as practitioners and researchers. We seek to gain knowledge from each other, and bring health into a new era.

[Ontario Working Group on Mental Health and Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder](#)

The Ontario Working Group on Mental Health and Adults with ASD, created to identify and help respond to the complex needs of this group, is composed of representatives from major providers of mental health services, professional medical and allied health groups, and

leading autism spectrum organizations.

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