



Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2018

Opening

The regular meeting of DataSHARE Peterborough was called to order by Nancy Fischer at 1pm on September 11, 2018 at the Peterborough Social Services Staff Meeting Room (178 Charlotte Street, Charlotte Mews).

Present

Nancy Fischer – Senior Program Analyst, City of Peterborough
Caren Thayer – Data Analysis Coordinator, City of Peterborough
Tammy Sikma – Manager of GIS, County of Peterborough
Carolyn Doris – Manager, Family & Community Health, Peterborough Public Health
Jane Hoffmeyer – Manager, Foundational Standards, Peterborough Public Health (PPH)
Andrew Bell – Labour Market Info Analyst, Workforce Development Board (WDB)
Ellen Meadd – Manager, Projects & Community Engagement, Workforce Development Board (WDB)
Sarah Amirault – Researcher, Institutional Research Office, Fleming College
Amanda Hiemstra – Quality Improvement Decision Support Specialist, Peterborough Family Health Team

Regrets

Nicole Schleifer – Geomatics/Mapping Manager, City of Peterborough
Jennifer Chenier – Supervisor – Quality Initiatives, Kawartha-Haliburton Children's Aid Society
Brittany Wakefield – Crime Analyst, Peterborough Police Services
Don Oettinger – Deputy Chief, Professional Standards, Peterborough County-City Paramedics
Julia Wood – Business Development Lead – Business & Agriculture, Peterborough & the Kawarthas Economic Development
Barb Znamirowski – Maps & Data Librarian, Trent University
Ellen Olsen-Lynch – Learning & Liaison Librarian, Trent University
Mohamed Kharbouch – Epidemiologist, Peterborough Public Health (PPH)
Lori Richey – Executive Director, Peterborough Family Health Team
Cheryl Stager – Program Support Partner, Peterborough Regional Health Centre

Guests

n/a

Welcome and Introductions

Nancy welcomed the group and invited everyone to introduce themselves and their organization. The meeting's discussion focus was: **"Turning data into decision making."**

Review of Agenda & Previous Minutes

Corrections made to the circulated agenda:

- Carolyn Doris to provide a single presentation, speaking in place of Donna Churipuy, following her promotion
- Jane Hoffmeyer to defer Rapid Risk Factor Surveillance System (RRFSS) until Nov

The agenda and previous minutes were received as amended.

Peterborough Data Consortium Sub-Committee Update

Nancy provided background on the sub-committee's work. The Peterborough Data Consortium (PDC) maintains a membership with the Community Data Program (CDP) which provides regular newsletters, webinars, and pan-Canadian data to its members.

Nancy thanked the Peterborough Social Planning Council for their 10-years of leadership with this initiative and congratulated Brenda Dales on her retirement.

City of Peterborough will take over as lead agency with the CDP. She explained that the 5 participating member agencies share the data and the fee. The annual fee is based on population and number of members. The current fee will be \$1610 for each of the current 5 members. Next CDP meeting to take place Oct 16th and Nancy to participate.

Nancy spoke to Northumberland's interest in establishing their own Consortium. If they were to join with us as a single Data Consortium, the modestly larger population and higher partner count could reduce the annual fee each partner pays.

ACTION: Nancy to reach out to Northumberland to gauge current interest, attend Oct 16th CDP meeting, and report at November meeting.

Supporting Local Evidence-informed Decision Making at Peterborough Public Health

Presenter: Carolyn Doris, Manager, Family & Community Health, Peterborough Public Health

New health standards came into effect on January 1, 2018. Health equity has always been considered, but is now paramount in all programming & reports. The new standards speak specifically to the need to "meet local needs" and provide more latitude to local agencies to decide how to achieve this goal.

The Early Growth & Development Compendium (EGAD) was recently published as an internal guiding document for formative (0-5) years. Carolyn spoke of the comprehensive topic and sub-topic areas considered by the many contributors to this 400+ page report.

The report contains very rich data on food security collected since 2004 across Ontario. It categorizes individuals into 3 categories -- marginal, moderate, severe. While long understood, the report quantifies Peterborough's state of food insecurity as being significantly higher than provincial averages. While this primarily relates to low-income households, there is also a component in

higher-income households. Peterborough has a dramatically higher population of female lone parent families who are food insecure (1 in 2) compared to the provincial average (1 in 5).

Carolyn indicated that while this document is an internal document, PPH is open to sharing this data. Jane Hoffmeyer indicated that PPH is open and interested in cooperating on the development of products (reports, infographics, etc). Jane also recommended that DataSHARE consider inviting outside organizations to our November meeting to determine what people what to know more about.

The City is currently on a mission to expand their data from 0-6 yrs to include 6-12 year-olds in the next 5 years.

PPH - Rapid Risk Factor Surveillance System (RRFSS)

Speaker: Mohammed Kharbouch, Epidemiologist & Jane Hoffmeyer, Manager, Foundational Standards, Peterborough Public Health

Jane indicated that this presentation will be deferred until November, awaiting the delivery of the data collected in the most recent cycle. Data collection works on a 4-month cycle. There are 10-topic areas addressed in this study.

Round Table

Nancy asked the group to share ideas related to the day's discussion focus, specifically: "What examples do you have where data is being used to drive decision making?"

- Andrew Bell / Ellen Meadd, WDB
 - Reporter from Toronto Star has been collecting information around Peterborough and is expected to report on this in the Star at the end of the month
 - Considerations include temp agencies, employment stats, etc.
 - Has met with WDB, among other agencies
 - Ellen found food insecurity stats shocking, especially in comparison to the rest of Ontario. Not yet sure how this can be used.
 - Received approval on Business Plan (Oct – Mar 31) last week that will guide 5 projects.
- Jane Hoffmeyer, PPH
 - RRFSS (Rapid Risk Factor Surveillance System) project ongoing
 - Currently in a transition year due to new provincial standards
 - Focus on evidence-based decision making
 - MOH desire to understand "Return on Investment"
 - MOH rolling out indicators on performance metrics
 - Working on annual planning that will commence in Oct/Nov (E.g., EGAD)
- Caren Thayer, City of Peterborough DAC
 - Doing a 5-year plan to consider needs of children & youth
 - Collecting data for the past year or so and now writing the plan using the data that has been collected
 - KPS data, parent surveys
- Nancy Fischer, City of Peterborough Social Services
 - Has read much of the PPH report, but was shocked by the analysis that included 50% of lone female-led families being food insecure.

- PERI – Precarious Employment Research Initiative
 - Partnership between PPH, WDB, Trent, Labour Council, City
 - InfoBriefs available online
 - Mini-conference to take place Nov 6th to share how precarious employment affects wellbeing, including child health. Expect to see meeting requests.
 - Peterborough has a high percentage of workers in the service sector which correlates to high employment precarity.
- Many City staff currently working on community engagement, therefore many people looking for socio-economic data
 - City to hold internal multi-disciplinary meeting to consider creation of socio-economic base mapping for use by wide range of departments. Meeting scheduled for Sept 17th to examine City & County needs
 - E.g., housing & homelessness maps layers, etc.
 - Nancy asked for input on what comparisons are needed by various partners so that consistent base mapping could be shared by all.
 - Currently each agency uses slightly different measures.
- Tammy, County of Peterborough
 - Mobile web-GIS now available
 - Elevation data to be tested internally with plan to release to public within next 2-4 months
 - Field collection being done using tools like ArcGIS Survey 123 (questions & location) or Collector (drop-down selections) apps
 - Researching Open Data and how it can move forward at the County
 - Researching how best to implement Open Data
- Sarah, Fleming College
 - Would be interested to know how food insecurity affects the college's population
 - Faculty strike last year had put a number of projects on hold
 - Looking at "pinch points" that affect students
 - Predictive analytics project underway – trying to identify students who might be at a higher risk of leaving school
 - Stats & proof of concept coming together, but supports need to be developed to determine how best to utilize them.
 - Software in place
 - Mohawk has developed a Student Success & Innovation Centre that has been able to identify students at low, moderate & high-risk of leaving
 - They have piloted this with their students & Fleming hoping to learn from their experience
 - Math & communications marks are key identifiers of risk, but there may be more risk areas identified by the analysis
 - College has a new president
- Amanda, Peterborough Family Health Team
 - Clinical Support Services are reaching out to clients who have identified needs (e.g., transportation support services)
 - Virtual Care Clinic recently opened in Peterborough & Lakefield to support unattached patients
 - Trying to determine needs of unattached patients
 - Who are they? Where are they? Can they be attached to new physicians as they arrive in Peterborough?
 - Nancy asked about Health Equity data and whether results / summary / evaluation could be shared with other community agencies (e.g., Social Services)

Future Planning

Nancy asked for topics of interest as future presentations. Suggestions included:

- Presentation from PCCP re: response times, call volumes, senior population needs, call volumes compared to socio-economic metrics
- Emergency Management
- Emergency responders – what is collected and how could community feed the work of these agencies
- How can we share the data and make it accessible to the public? (Knowledge mobilization)
 - Demonstrate the use of the public's data
 - Engage the community in a given topic
 - Peterborough Drug Strategy?
- Disaster Resource (Ellen Meadd)
- Point-in-Time (PIT) Count for homelessness – very recent data; presentation could focus on good experience with data mobilization & community engagement
- Trent
- Tools that can be used to collect / share data
 - Knowledge Transition Game from Sick Kids (Caren)
 - GIS collection (Tammy)

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:32pm. The next meeting will be held from **1-3pm on November 13, 2018**, at Peterborough County-City Paramedics (PCCP) large boardroom, 310 Armour Road.

Minutes submitted by: Tammy Sikma