



To: CYFS Coalition Council, Infrastructure Table, Planning Table, Networks, Tables and Working Groups

From: Philip Hough, Chair, CYFS Coalition

Date: November 9, 2016

Re: Changes in CYFS Coalition Structure

The Child Youth and Family Services Coalition of Simcoe County recently completed a review of its structures and processes to ensure ongoing relevancy, value and support to its members and to the service delivery system in Simcoe County. On August 23, 2016, the Secretariat Table hosted invited guests to spend the day with a facilitator to focus on two questions:

1. How can the Coalition be structured in order to support the major initiatives that are impacting Simcoe County?
2. What supports and processes do we need to have in place to achieve the Coalition's vision and mission?

From a robust and informed discussion, recommendations were made on changes to the Coalition structure. These changes were reviewed and approved by Coalition Council on September 22, 2016.

We have enclosed a schematic of the current Coalition structure and the new structure to illustrate the differences. We want to highlight a few key changes:

- The current Secretariat and Infrastructure Tables have been amalgamated into the Executive Committee to create more efficient processes and systems, and improve responsiveness.
- The current Planning Table will become the Integrated Planning Table with a membership of representatives from Networks, Tables, and working groups that reflect the major initiatives impacting Simcoe County. This will be an action oriented Table focused on integrated, collaborative planning.

As with any change that occurs, an implementation plan and timeline is needed to ensure a seamless, efficient and effective transition plan. Over the next several months, work will be underway to move the current systems to the newly created structure. We will continue to keep you informed of progress and welcome your feedback and questions via Sandra Cole, Coordinator, scole@simcoecountycoalition.ca, (705) 715-8797.