Thank you for the work that you and your network, task group or project is doing within the framework of the Child Youth and Family Services Coalition of Simcoe County. The Coalition’s Planning Table has the role of overseeing the Coalition’s Strategic Plan and encouraging the many initiatives affiliated with the Coalition to align with each other and with the goals of the Coalition. In order to do this effectively, the Table has asked the various groups (networks and initiatives) affiliated with the Coalition to report to it on a rotating basis. **Please fill in the following form and bring it with you to the Planning Table meeting.** The second page of this document is a copy of the guidelines Planning Table members will be using when listening to your report on the work of your network or initiative.

**Date: December 11th, 2012**

**Name of network or initiative reporting:**

**Protocol for Youth at High Risk for Suicide**

**Contact person and phone: Gail Hamelin 705-726-8871 ext 312**

**Other members of your initiative:**

**Alliston:**

**Co-chairs:** Peter Nagora – New Path and

**Barrie:**

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| Ayton, Geoff - SMDSB |  | |  | |
| Bates, Paul – MCYS - PRobation |  | |  | |
| Webb, Mary - RVRHC |  | |  | |
| Hamelin, Gail – Kinark - Chair |  | |  | |
| Stea, Sarah |  | |  | |
| Gormandy, Helen - SCCAS |  | |  | |
| Forrest, Gisele – Catulpa | |  | |
| Michelle Vennard - New Path | |  | |

Woods, Deb – coalition

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| Aleta Armstrong - CMHA |
| Thomson, Cathy - SMDHU |
| Veenstra, Kristina (recorder)  Laurie Straughan - SCS |

**Orillia:**

Gail Hamelin (Kinark)

Colleen Guscott (Catulpa)

Michelle Vennard (New Path)

Maureen Wallis (SCDSB)

Ted Soucie (CAS)

Susan Graham-Clay (SMCDSB) –

Janette McGee (YMCA) –

Monica Smith (MCYS)

Chantelle Quesnelle (CFS)

Ann MacDiarmid (Soldiers

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**Midland:**

Gail Hamelin;

Cheryl Eastop from Catulpa Community Support

Maureen Wallis (SCDSB)

Ted Soucie (CAS)

Kathie Marchildon – North Simcoe Family Health Team

Catholic Family services

Robert Duck(SMCDSB)

Bernie Robillard Chigamik   (chair)

Adele Payne – Health unit

Sherry Allen                  Wendat

Gus Gauthier – MCYS probation

Leanne Medwig ( I do not have an email).

Collingwood:

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| Charlotte Ferguson- Chair New Path |  |  |
| Dale Graham (Community Mental Health, Collingwood General & Marine Hospital) |  |  |
| Sarah Harrison-Cragg (GBFHT) |  |  |

Woods, Deb (Coalition, note-taker)

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| Natasha Shakespeare (BMS)  Kathy Moran (CAS) |
| Lacey Parker (Kinark) |
| Lindsay Brown (CMHA) |  |  |
| Shelley Brook (Wasaga Beach Youth Centre) |  |  |
| Jeanette Hillier (CCAC) |
| Gwen Jamieson (GBFHT) |
| Geoff Harris (General & Marine Hospital) |
| Lesley Lalonde (MCYS Youth Justice) |

**Purpose of your network or initiative:**

**Purpose**: To champion and oversee the implementation of the established protocol for youth at high risk for suicide in their community.

**Purpose of High Risk Protocol**

* Increase identification of Simcoe County children and youth
  + At high risk for suicide
  + Under 18 years of age
* Enhance inter-agency communication and collaboration
  + Consistent and ongoing sharing of information with client consent
* Identify the most appropriate resources and short term intervention strategies
* Increase community service capacity and responsiveness

**How long in existence:**

**3 years**

**Major accomplishments in the past year:**

* Streamlined and revised protocol – redistributed along with training
* Established implementation groups in Collingwood with plans to implement in Alliston and area in early 2013.
* Sustained implementation in Barrie, Orillia, Midland – regular meetings

**How do you see your project relating to the Coalition’s strategic goals attached:**

* Yes –improving outcomes for youth and families for youth at risk for suicide in Simcoe County and their families.
* Improving mechanisms for agencies to support the development of safety planning for youth at risk for suicide in Simcoe County and their families.

**Please comment on the sustainability of your project or how it will wind down:**

* Community group taking responsibility for dispensing training and monitoring implementation
* Community group reporting usage to chair who sends this information to agency representative for the crisis steering committee.
* Community groups meet monthly to begin and move to quarterly meetings

**How are you evaluating your success?**

* Monitoring usage
* Feedback form community partners

**How can the Coalition help your group succeed?**

* Support with arranging and recording meetings
* Support to ensure coalition is aware of developments and needs of the project as identified

**If you have questions please contact Kristina Veenstra, Coalition Executive Assistant at** [**kristina@simcoecountycoalition.ca**](mailto:kristina@simcoecountycoalition.ca)

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| **Coalition-Wide Goal** | **Does this presentation/initiative meet this goal?(please circle one)** | **Comments** |
| **Create one community plan for all children, youth and family services.** | | |
| 1. Streamline and integrate services between agencies | **Yes**  No  N/A | * Enhanced collaboration for at youth at risk for suicide |
| 1. Improve services to more effectively meet basic needs (e.g. adequate income, food, shelter) | Yes  **No**  N/A | * Project not intended to focus on this outcome |
| 1. Increase sensitivity and equality of service access for culturally diverse communities (has this been addressed?) | **Yes**  No  N/A |  |
| 1. Increase capacity to serve children and youth with mental health needs | **Yes**  No  N/A | * Increased capacity to recognize warning signs and ensure safety planning occurs quickly |
| 1. Ensure the participation of youth and families in the planning process—to make it more applicable (e.g. Triple P we could add “youth or parents” in the planning process) | **Yes**  No  N/A | * Involves youth and families |
| 1. Encourage use of best practices, evidence-based approaches, and improved program evaluation | **Yes**  No  N/A | * Yes – protocol outlines recent review of literature to inform risk factors |
| 1. Connect to the health care and other relevant planning processes in the County | **Yes**  No  N/A | * Involves various agencies and sectors to enhance collaboration and safety planning |
| 1. Is there an evaluation plan? | Yes  **No**  N/A |  |
| 1. Has group demonstrated sustainability?  * Is there a launch plan (if applicable)? * Is this a short term program? * If an ongoing, can program sustain itself ? * Are resources clearly outlined and available? | **Yes**  No N/A  Yes **No**  N/A  **Yes**  No N/A  **Yes** No N/A |  |