

Integrating Brain Injury, Mental Health, and Addictions

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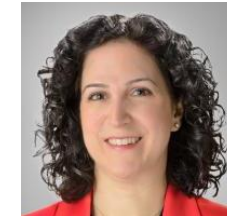


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Recap: Program Objectives & Anticipated Outcomes



Aim 1: Impact of concurrent traumatic brain injury (TBI) and mental health and/or addictions (MHA) on system level outcomes



Policy-relevant population-based data

Aim 2: Barriers and facilitators to accessing health services



Equitable access to healthcare



Aim 3: Critical characteristics of housing support



Design of appropriate housing models and KT materials

Aims 4a & 4b: Gaps in knowledge and practice among front-line staff/first responders, service providers, and decision-makers regarding

- a) criminalized men and women, and
- b) women survivors of intimate partner violence (IPV)



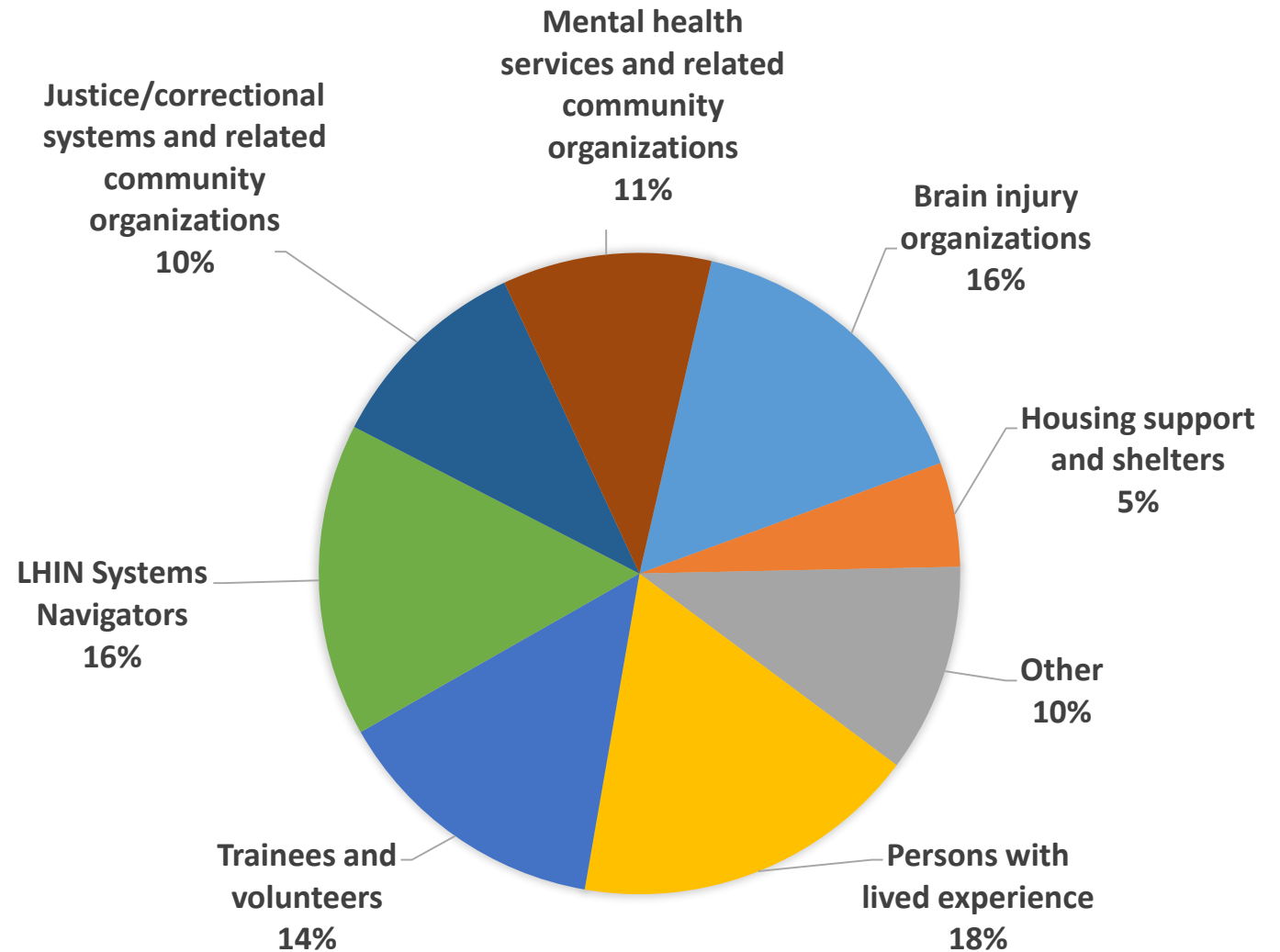
Creation and evaluation of relevant education and KT materials

Integration of sex and gender throughout

Recap: Participatory Action Meeting

Who Attended?

- ✓ 35 representatives from organizations across Ontario
- ✓ 10 individuals with lived experience
- ✓ 8 trainees and volunteers



What was your feedback?

Majority of attendees rated the event as excellent

What did you like?

- Networking
- Information exchange/learning
- Breakout sessions/meeting format
- Validation/support
- Should be an annual meeting

What did you suggest?

- More time for discussion/2-day meeting
- Diversity of researchers and stakeholders (e.g., ethnic, racial, geographic)
- Include additional community organizations
- Include other populations of interest (racialized communities, Indigenous)

What were your suggestions for our Research Program, and what did we do?

Incorporated into Program

- Assess the **direct medical costs** of TBI and MHA
- **Expand inclusion criteria** to **youths** and individuals/organizations in **Northern Ontario**
- Revise **screening question** for a brain injury to account for those **without a loss of consciousness**

Did Not Incorporate

- **Expand phone survey to administer in-person** at select organizations to reach more marginalized population
- Expand **inclusion criteria** to **staff** (e.g., nurses) **with TBI**

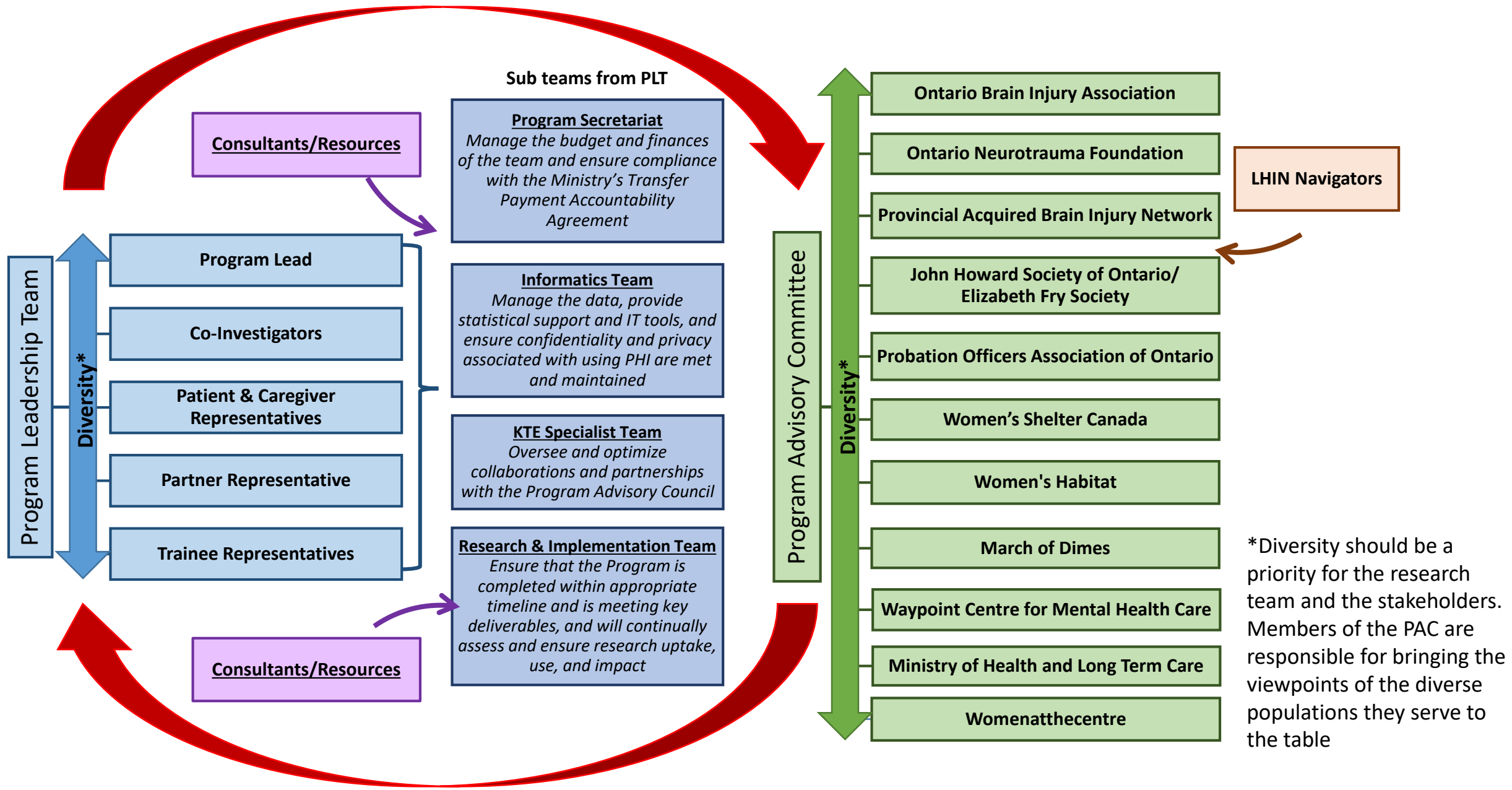
On Hold

- Expand inclusion criteria to **non-TBI** (e.g., brain injury due to overdose)

Where are we now?

- ✓ Obtaining research ethics board approval
- ✓ Collaborating with partner community organizations for recruitment
- ✓ Creating interview guides and follow-up survey
- ✓ Data collection/data cut

Proposed Governance Council: Overview



Program Advisory Committee (PAC): Membership

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Additional members may be recommended at any time

Program Advisory Committee (PAC)

- Provide the Program Leadership Team (PLT) with an expert group of individuals who can provide strategic advice and expertise, and on specific Aims



Proposed Roles & Responsibilities of the PAC

- **Collaborate with the PLT** to ensure that an appropriate and effective pathway to impact is taken, maximizing the uptake and applicability of research findings and KTE activities
- **Guide and participate in discussion and decision-making** of the Research Program (e.g., designing aspects of the Aims, analyzing and/or interpreting the findings, and KTE of research findings)
- Pursue opportunities to **promote/disseminate** work of Research Program and collaboration opportunities beyond existing group
- Attend **quarterly meetings** of approximately 1.5 hours in length with the PLT to discuss the progress of the research and to provide input and strategy from a knowledge user's perspective
- **Review materials** – agenda, minutes, and any other relevant meeting materials – distributed prior to the meeting



- ✓ **Are these proposed roles and responsibilities feasible and appropriate?**

Applied Health Research Questions (AHRQ)

What are AHRQs?

- Questions about **healthcare in TBI and MHA** that any knowledge user in Ontario can ask of this Research Team

What types of questions can we ask?

- **Rapid Response** – e.g., quick literature review, “expert opinion”
- **Research Report or Technical Brief** – e.g., synthesis of existing research evidence that results in a presentation or report
- **Research Project** – e.g., new knowledge must be generated and a new project is initiated

Applied Health Research Questions (AHRQ)

How do I submit an AHRQ?

- Complete the MOHLTC AHRQ [request form](#) and send it to us!



MOHLTC AHRQ
Request Form



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I want to learn more about this! Who should I contact?

- **Vincy Chan** – vincy.chan@uhn.ca or 416-978-1250

Next Steps & Meeting

Proposed Meeting Frequency

Month/Year	Meeting Details	Format
1. July 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Introduction ✓ Membership, roles and responsibilities ✓ Next steps/vision for PAC 	Teleconference
2. October 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Summary of work/progress 	Teleconference
3. January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Discussion and decision-making 	
4. March 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Summary of work – fiscal 2018/19 ✓ Next steps for fiscal 2019/2020 	In-Person/ Teleconference
5. July 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Summary of work/progress 	Teleconference
6. October 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Discussion and decision-making 	
7. January 2020		
8. March 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Summary of work – fiscal 2019/20 ✓ Next steps for fiscal 2020/21 	In-Person/ Teleconference
9. July 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Summary of work/progress ✓ Discussion and decision-making 	Teleconference
10. September 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Summary of work – October 2017 – September 2020 ✓ Wrap-up/next steps ✓ Opportunities for continued partnership beyond funding ✓ Thank you! 	In-Person/ Teleconference



- ✓ **Is every three months ok?**
- ✓ **Are there major conflicts for the months identified?**
- ✓ **What are the best days and times for meetings (e.g., morning vs. afternoon)**

Proposed Next Steps

- **Share updates** regarding progress of the Research Program with PAC at two weeks prior to upcoming meetings
- Reach out to you as needed



- ✓ **How would you like to be involved in between meetings?**

Thank you!