

CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE COALITION

MANDATE

1. To identify the constraints in delivering equitable health care posed in Ontario's correctional facilities;
2. To highlight the complex health needs of the population in contact or at risk of contact with the criminal justice system;
3. To advocate for equitable health care and health outcomes for the criminal justice involved.

OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPLES

As a collective, the group will publicly advocate for:

The transfer of health care from Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services to Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in Ontario;

Advancing the continuity of care between correctional facilities and the community;

Raising the standards of care in correctional facilities to meet or exceed community and professional standards of care;

Raising standards of care in correctional facilities to achieve immediate health remedies.

The above will be achieved through:

Analysis of policies, reports, submissions, and data;

Creation and submission of media content, including op-eds;

Creation and submission of letters and/or reports to appropriate government bodies;

Coalition-building, reaching out to new stakeholders

List of Stakeholders

John Howard Society of Ontario (Coalition Chair)

Canadian Mental Health Association, ON

Centre for Urban Health Solutions

CTAC

Epilepsy Ontario

John Howard Society of Toronto

Ontario Correctional Nurses' Interest Group (OCNIG)

Prisoners with HIV/AIDS Support Action Network (PASAN)

Prison Health Program Committee, College of Family Physicians of Canada

Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO)

Collaborating Centre for Prison Health and Education (CCPHE)

