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Celebrating the 2016/17 CYFS Coalition Accomplishments

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Welcome new member, E3 Community Services. Welcome new Chair Philip Hough and Vice Chair Louise Paul. John Clarke is now the Past Chair.

- ✓ The Coalition hosted an RBA 101 Training session on May 5, 2016 with 29 people in attendance.
- ✓ A Coalition Members Report was created and distributed, outlining major accomplishments from the past few years. <http://www.simcoecountycoalition.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Members'-Report-2016.pdf>
- ✓ The Coalition supported RVRHC in its MOHLTC funding request for a Child and Adolescent Mental Health Unit. On November 21, 2017, Minister Hoskins announced 3.2 million in funding to RVRHC for an inpatient and outpatient child and adolescent mental health program.
- ✓ The FASD Classroom, a collaborative effort between Mackenzie Health, Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions and the Simcoe County District School Board, received the 2016 Coalition Award of Excellence.
- ✓ The Coalition supported New Path in hosting a third Board to Board Forum on "Engaging Agency Governance to Enhance Francophone Inclusion" on January 27, 2017.
- ✓ On August 23, 2016, the Secretariat Table held a Visioning Day with invited guests to discuss how the Coalition can be structured to support the major initiatives impacting Simcoe County. On September 22, 2016, the Coalition Council approved the recommendation of a new structure for the Coalition. Implementation of the new structure is underway and will continue throughout 2017.
- ✓ A new Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Coalition and the YMCA/ Lakehead Leadership Program committing funds to provide financial assistance to member organizations who may require subsidy for the program. In the past 12 months, 20 Coalition members have attended the YMCA Lakehead Leadership Development Program. The Coalition has received and approved three applications for fee subsidy for the program.
- ✓ Collaboration continues between Coalition members and New Path Youth and Family Services, lead agency for Moving on Mental Health and with CTN, coordinating agency on the Special Needs Strategy.



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HIGHLIGHTS FROM NETWORKS, TABLES AND WORKING GROUPS:

- ✓ The Youth Justice Advisory Group completed information sessions on Extra Judicial Measures to approximately 45 Orillia OPP officers in April 2016 resulting in a significant increase in youth referrals to the program!
- ✓ The TAYSoS Partnership Table engaged in a Visioning Day to further examine and acknowledge the priorities of member agencies. There are now seven dedicated youth who actively participate on the Youth Engagement Committee. The Table has also had an opportunity to highlight their work at the most recent 2016 CMHO Conference. As well, the Transition to Independence Planning (TIP) continues to be embedded in Simcoe and Muskoka.
- ✓ BANAC hosted Jane Middleton Moz to present to community partners on "Addressing Trauma in our Families and Communities". BANAC was one of the Indigenous/Métis communities chosen for a community mapping report for the Ministry of Children and Youth Services.
<http://www.simcoecountycoalition.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/BANAC-Final-Report-Community-Map-Dec-19-2016-4-40-pm-Final.pdf>
- ✓ The Basic Needs Task Group participated in a provincial consultation process on the Basic Income Guarantee by hosting a community consultation and submitting the collected feedback to MCSS. BNTG membership recruitment successfully expanded the group from 9 to 21 active members, including members who have the voice of lived experience.
- ✓ The ASD Partnership Table translated "Next Steps" Resource document into French; a great resource for families available on the Autism Society of Ontario website.
<https://www.autismontario.com/>
- ✓ The Dual Diagnosis group have been working diligently completing a proposal for a Multidisciplinary assessment resource for children and youth and their families. This past year, they completed a pilot to review the process and address any identified issues.
- ✓ In 2016, Best Start members began planning towards the future development of Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres (OEYCFC), a new provincial initiative for children and families ensuring they have access to a suite of high quality programs and services. Planning included data collection, community engagement and consultation to ensure programs are distributed based on demonstrated community needs and that programs are integrated with other relevant early years services. Best Start Network members are excited to participate in this new initiative in Simcoe County which will continue into 2018.
- ✓ In 2016 www.triplep-parenting.ca was launched with support from the Simcoe County Triple P Implementation Task Group. The site provides information for parents including blogs about current parenting topics, videos, and the option to register for Triple P Positive Parenting sessions. The site is working towards being accessible in French with some sections available now. The new provider site, which came along with the new website, gives service providers a virtual place to connect, access tools for service delivery news and updates.