

RECONNECT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES



A Message from the president and CEO

Since the inception of Reconnect in 1984 and the launch of the day program in January 1985, Reconnect has evolved from the original centre-based agency where all clients received assistance at the Reconnect office to the vibrant community-based case management service that exists today.

Change and development processes continue to emerge. A combination of planning, actions, strategic decision making and unexpected opportunities have contributed to our dynamic and comprehensive range of services and supports. Respect for the individuals' right to excellent healthcare and to make choices for themselves has been a guiding principle embraced by the Board of Directors, management and staff since the beginning. Increasingly, in all areas of healthcare, a system that is self-managed by the client has demonstrated better outcomes.

Reconnect's strategic decision to deliver all services within a case management framework, and with a goal-based length of stay in service, has shifted our paradigm of mental healthcare. Client outcomes and satisfaction have been excellent. Reconnect's shift in the service delivery model was informed by evidence-based practice, data analysis, and case reviews. A work group comprised of members from the Information Technology and Clinical teams was established to identify the needs of staff to work effectively and efficiently in a changed environment. Advances in technology, including lightweight laptops, networked mobile phones, and access to mobile hotspots increased staff productivity and responsiveness to clients. Our staff has effectively adapted the technology to create a more flexible work environment.

An exciting endeavour that will be finalized at the 2013/2014 Annual General meeting is the voluntary integration of Community Outreach Programs in Addictions (COPA) into Reconnect. COPA will become a unique program within the Reconnect continuum.

The COPA program compliments the services provided by Reconnect and will contribute to a robust and dynamic organization, which responds to clients with mental health and addictions issues across their lifespan. We welcome COPA staff and Board members, and look forward to much success together.

We wish to acknowledge the dedication and commitment to Reconnect and the exceptional contributions made by the Board of Directors and staff. Their steadfastness is only exceeded by the strength and courage of our clients.

MARY JANE CRIPPS
Chief Executive Officer

RICK ARNONE



from Clinical Services clients...

Whatever your goals are at Reconnect, you can do it.

I give thanks to everyone who has been there for me and supported me so I could achieve the success I now have.

Reconnect is a community that believes in our achievements

from Project Management clients...

A big thank you for the assessment and the report. It is absolutely invaluable to our agency and me personally, as it gives us an independent and objective opinion of our current IT "health" so to speak.

We would like to thank the team for their expertise, knowledge and patience.

This has been an extraordinarily well-managed, well-communicated, and well-thought out project.

from staff at Reconnect...

I have been with Reconnect since my student days. It gives me a lot of learning, experience and growth – not to mention lasting relationships.

I admire and appreciate all the work at Reconnect. I believe the helpers of this world make a difference and that makes life a whole lot better.

My eleven years at Reconnect continue to be filled with great memories and great friendships.

2013/2014 KEY PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

CLINICAL SERVICES

Improving individual healthcare goals using a recovery focused approach.

- Reconnect increased the number of clients served to nearly 1,400 individuals a 5% improvement over last fiscal year.
- 46,480 clients were visited by clinical staff an increase of 25% from last fiscal year.

South Toronto Link (Link) Team

Reconnect was awarded funding for one of two multidisciplinary teams in the Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (TC LHIN). This team is the South Toronto LINK (Link) Team.

Comprised of a group of mental health professionals, Link offers intensive support to individuals with complex mental health and physical health needs. It provides clinical assessment and triage, and is a single point of contact for all South Toronto Health Link health service providers (HSPs). Family physicians, family health teams and community health centres can access timely clinical and support services.

By building this much needed clinical capacity and service, the Link Team will significantly shift the focus of care from hospital to community for those most in need who are in the current system and depend on hospital-based services.

Central West Toronto (CWT) Health Link

The TC LHIN implemented nine Health Links using a phased approach over a two year period. CWT Health Link is in the third wave of a multiphase implementation program in the TC LHIN. Reconnect was selected as the lead agency to bring community HSPs together quickly to coordinate care and effectively share information.

CWT Health Link will coordinate care for:

- Children and youth services for primary care, mental health and sexual health
- Adults and families living in poverty and managing complex health issues

Five percent of individuals account for twothirds of Ontario's healthcare costs. These are most often individuals with multiple, complex conditions. Implementing CWT Health Link will:

- Increase access to primary care
- Improve care delivery by all providers
- Improve the patient experience at better value
- Increase accountability for patient care and outcomes

PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Offering community health service providers' unique ways to build capacity and infrastructure.

During the 2013/2014, Reconnect successfully delivered, led and managed the following projects on behalf of the TC LHIN. These projects are beginning to address the significant gaps of information and infrastructure impacting the quality of care in the community sector.

Group Bulk Purchase:

- Manage and deliver group bulk purchase of hardware and devices
- Develop and execute future IT hardware and device requests for ongoing and sustainable processes

Information Technology Assessment:

- Deliver a comprehensive inventory of technical tools and related policies, and processes
- Identify gaps regarding any technical areas in need of investment
- Provide an assessment of IT capacity and knowledge

Community Business Intelligence:

- Identify and develop a data repository to collect and mine community health service data
- Develop a schema with appropriate privacy and security controls to migrate data from the service provider source system to the central data repository
- Determine business intelligence and data analytics for future phases

Community Shared Services Collaborative:

- Provide expertise and knowledge exchange in procurement practices
- Deliver price comparisons and cost savings
- Conduct product, equipment or service research
- Determine product quotations and develop procurement proposals

CORPORATE SERVICES

Leveraging, streamlining and improving business processes to increase staff responsiveness.

This past year, Reconnect introduced new and inviting ways to recognise staff contributions and attract and retain talent through business improvements. Reconnect staff responded by adapting to the new environment and by demonstrating remarkable dedication.

Continuing to enhance and improve the staff experience, Corporate Services accomplished the following:

- IT and front line staff together implemented software to streamline intake at the client site ensuring clients are contacted within 48 hours.
- Wireless in-house connectivity enables staff flexible internet access in-house
- Mobile workforce, smart phones and lightweight laptops have substantially increased staff productivity and satisfaction, plus client satisfaction
- New educational programs inform and engage staff (i.e., wellness fairs, financial lunch and learns, employee round tables)
- From initial introductions, to orientation sessions and technical activation, to meeting the executive team - Corporate Services welcomed 35 new staff to the team.

Mohamed Badsha Chief Operating Officer

Statement of Operations and Net Assets Year Ended March 31

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| | 2014 | 2013 |
| Revenue | | |
| Local Health Integration Network | \$6,628,999 | \$5,068,663 |
| Justice housing project with CMHA | \$564,876 | \$564,876 |
| SHIP project | \$671,356 | \$671,356 |
| Other Income | \$942,154 | \$634,724 |
| | \$8,807,385 | \$6,939,619 |
| Expenses | | |
| Salaries, benefits and core program consultants | \$5,538,876 | \$4,806,738 |
| Office rent and utilities | \$387,406 | \$388,167 |
| Program and craft supplies | \$150,820 | \$133,463 |
| Partnership costs | \$93,600 | \$93,600 |
| Travel | \$239,450 | \$214,742 |
| Telephone | \$86,657 | \$91,117 |
| Computer supplies and training | \$302,302 | \$153,186 |
| Professional fees and other program consultants | \$1,059,952 | \$235,192 |
| Office supplies, printing and minor equipment | \$204,422 | \$146,068 |
| Information technology - CDS program | \$456,244 | \$506,196 |
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| | 2014 | 2013 |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Expenses | | |
| Maintenance and cleaning | \$34,321 | \$49,507 |
| Staff education | \$146,340 | \$39,111 |
| Audit | \$10,914 | \$9,134 |
| Insurance | \$13,585 | \$14,585 |
| Publicity and promotion | \$14,937 | \$3,810 |
| Books and subscriptions | \$6,348 | \$6,911 |
| Bank charges | \$4,847 | \$6,843 |
| Equipment rental and service | \$29,320 | \$25,204 |
| Membership and dues | \$18,962 | \$12,514 |
| | \$8,799,303 | \$6,936,088 |
| Excess of revenue over expenditures from operations | \$8,082 | \$3,531 |
| Due to Local Health Integration Network | \$5,101 | \$3,531 |
| | \$2,981 | - |
| Donations and fundraising income - net of expenses | \$4,299 | \$2,621 |
| Excess of revenue over expenditures for the year | \$7,280 | \$2,621 |
| Net assets, beginning of year | \$123,132 | \$120,511 |
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| Net assets, end of year | \$130,412 | \$123,132 |

Statement of Financial Position As at March 31

| | 2014 | 2013 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Assets | | |
| Current | | |
| Cash and short term deposits | \$225,120 | \$507,556 |
| Accounts receivable | \$237,174 | \$154,080 |
| Prepaid expenses | \$58,760 | \$93,685 |
| | \$521,054 | \$755,321 |
| Liabilities | | |
| Current | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | \$382,010 | \$203,690 |
| Due to Local Health Integration Network | \$8,632 | \$428,499 |
| | \$390,642 | \$632,189 |

| | 2014 | 2013 |
|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Net Assets | | |
| | \$130,412 | \$123,132 |
| | \$521,054 | \$755,321 |

On behalf of the Board:

RICK ARNONE, PRESIDENT

CAROL FERGUSON. SECRETARY

2013/2014 STAFF, BOARD OF DIRECTORS & STUDENTS

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Recipients of Years of Service Recognition 2013

15 YEARS

Colleen Lelievre

Taylor Fredericks

Afia Nana Frempong-Manso

5 YEARS

Mohamed Abudiab Odessa Austin Mohamed Badsha Jenany Crutchly Witcliffe Henry Hvonson Kim Tanya Lico Riki Myre Elizabeth Protic-Kokic Rajendra Ramnarine

2 YEARS

Leslie Becker Mike Hughes Ken Lieu Tobie Marven Linda Montgomery Michelle Neilson Karen Poole Tara Shuster Alex Walter Stephanie Wolfert Nikki Dziama

Proposed Slate of Directors for fiscal year 2014/2015

SERVING A TERM OF THREE YEARS:

Leo Bisharat Tammy Nunez Brian Shiller

Paul Kociuba Bruce Keleher

Directors continuing their terms

TWO YEARS **REMAINING:** Janet Dickhout

ONE YEAR **REMAINING:** Antonella Apa Jeremy Bonk Rick Arnone

Nancy Bradley Carol Ferguson Matt Smith

LEAVING:

Reconnect would like to recognize outgoing Board member, Karen Brock, for her many years of service.

