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ONTARIO HEALTH TEAM

PARTNER TABLE MEETING SUMMARY – JANUARY 2026

Mental Health & Substance Use Disorders

The ANHP OHT Partner Table engaged in a comprehensive review and discussion of mental health, addictions and substance use disorder services and supports in the Kenora region:

- **HART Hub** – Chris Hoey from KCA provided a broad introduction to the Homelessness and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) Hub, detailing its objectives, structure, service delivery model, and implementation timelines, highlighting the collaborative nature of the initiative, as KCA works alongside CMHA-K, KACL, KDSB and WNHAC, along with other partner organizations.
- **Substance Use Disorders Integrated Care Pathways** – Lisa Devlin and Denise Forsyth from LWDH presented on the core components of the hospital approach to facilitating a full spectrum of care, from the Emergency Department to service providers for support and care navigation, and where partners work together to support clients in their care journey.
- **Kenora Association for Community Living** – Debbie Everly provided a detailed presentation on KACL Mental Health Support Services, including its history, service models, staffing, challenges, as well as its integration with HART Hub and community partners.

Strategic Next Steps

- **Digital Strategy and Coordinated Access:** Follow-up discussion to determine the digital strategy (including e-referral and EMR alignment) for the Mental Health and Addictions sector, ensuring all partner organizations are considered.
- **Public Communication Plan for HART Hub:** Develop and implement communication strategy to clarify the scope and purpose of the HART Hub, addressing misconceptions and ensuring community understanding.
- **Frontline Staff Communication and Referral Pathways:** Create concise, accessible materials for frontline staff across partner organizations to ensure clear understanding of new and existing programs and referral pathways, including HART Hub and SUD pathways.
- **Updating 211 and 811 Listings:** Ensure all partner organizations update their program information on 211 and 811 to support public and frontline access to accurate service listings.

Next Meeting: February 4, 2026
Discussion Topic: Mental Health & Addictions (2nd Session)