



## Northwest Centre of Responsibility (NW COR)

(Formerly known as the Northwest Human Services Justice Coordinating Committee or NWHSJCC)

The Northwest Community Mobilization Network is comprised of the Northwest Centre of Responsibility (NW COR), the Kenora Rainy River District Human Services Justice Coordinating Committee (KRRDHSJCC), people with lived experience and Situation Tables across the Northwestern Ontario region. This network was formed in early 2017 when the former Northwest Human Services Justice Coordinating Committee and Thunder Bay District Human Justice Coordinating Committees merged and decided to incorporate a HUB/Community Mobilization Model into the structure of one regional committee. These changes also included forming stronger ties to the KRRDHSJCC and to Situation Tables that were emerging across the region. Both the NW COR and KRRDHSJCC have a strong presence at the Provincial HSJCC table to ensure that issues arising in NW Ontario are brought forward and considered in decision making and advocacy efforts.

The NW COR membership consists of over 65 partner agencies from across Northwestern Ontario and includes representation from across the KRRDHSJCC, including Co-Chair representation from the Kenora CMHA.

The NW COR focuses on taking a regional issues management approach and engages in collective advocacy efforts for the Northwestern Ontario region. It also engages and provides support to Situation Tables from across the region.

The primary goals of the NW COR and NW Community Mobilization Network are:

- To establish key partnerships among the Ministries of Health and Long Term Care, Criminal Justice, Adult/Youth Mental Health and Addictions Services, Social Service, Education, Data and Research Sector, and between local/district committees in the Northwest Region.
- To discuss and find solutions to systemic issues emerging from district/local committees or Situation Tables within the Northwest region, in compliance with the issues management framework
- Enhance local Situation Table development and maintain partnerships with Situation Tables in the Northwest region
- Engage in collaborative analysis of data from local Situation Table discussions and identify trends, deficiencies and gaps in service, as well as any operational barriers, which will inform the identification of opportunities for systemic change.
- Highlight persistent regional issues, provide recommendations for strategic action, and participate in a planning session for the purpose of reporting to the Provincial HSJCC.
- Coordinate regional training and educational opportunities for all sectors involved in serving the target population.
- Share promising/best emerging practices

