Vista Centre Brain Injury Services (VCBIS) 2019/20 Operational Plan



The purpose of VCBIS Operational Plan is to identify the activities that will take place over the next year to guide day to day operations and to move us toward

meeting strategic goals. This plan includes the agency's Human Resources plan, Person Family Centered Care plan, Communication plan, Risk Management plan, Quality Improvement (QI) plan and Client Safety Plan and outlines specific objectives in order to improve elements of the strategic plan as well as to meet standards set out by funders and the accreditation process.

A. Strategic plan: Community We Serve: Clients and Families, Partners in Healthcare, Staff and Volunteers and Wider community.

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COMMUNICATION PLAN: Kee	o the community we serve informed.		•	
To implement and work on the main four initiatives/objectives identified in the VCBIS Strategic Plan 2018-21.	VCBIS Management and stakeholders will work collaboratively to achieve the objectives set forth in the strategic plan.	Board of Directors, Management team and stakeholders.	2019 / 20	All parties have been involved in the process.
Objective 1: To build a strong profile in the community.	 VCBIS communication consultant guided the agency through this 1st objective. 1. Develop Communication plan 2. Develop Social Media plan 3. Increase partnerships/relationships with partners 4. Strengthen existing partnerships/relationships 5. Provide educational workshops 	Communication Consultant, Board of Directors, Management team and stakeholders.	End of 2019 / beginning of 2020 / ongoing Completed Ongoing Ongoing In progress / Ongoing	 Meetings and reunions occurred early in the process between VCBIS' communication consultants and all involved in the process. 1. Communication Plan 2020-24 has been completed 2. Social Media Plan has been incorporated within the Communication Plan. 3. & 4. VCBIS has developed numerous close working relationships with partner agencies, such as, Robin Easey Centre, Pathways, CHIRS, BISNO, CCAC etc 5. Educational workshops are currently being developed.

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Objective 2: To have funds available for projects or	 Hold the inaugural meeting of the founding Board of Directors 	Executive Director / Board of Directors	2019- 20	VCBIS Charitable Foundation has been created and is in the process of becoming fully operational.
purpose to expand.	 Elect the Executive for the Foundation Board of Directors Establish the administrative processes for the Foundation (banking, auditors, general administration, accounting, reporting, etc.) Define roles and responsibilities for the foundation 		Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing	
	 Develop business plan and fundraising strategies 		Ongoing	
Objective 3: To bring the perspective of clients and families directly into the planning, delivery, and evaluation of VCBIS services. Objective 4: To meet the increasing demand of our services.	 Develop Governance Policies to ensure that PFCC becomes one of the Guiding Principles of VCBIS Approve VCBIS PFCC action Plan To find a suitable location, within established budgets, at which to set up the VCBIS head office and day program Develop alternative ways of delivering service Ensure programs are reflective of our community 	Executive Director / Board of Directors Executive Director / Board of Directors Executive Director / Board of Directors / Program Manager/ Stakeholders	Ongoing - To be completed by the end of 2020 2018 2019 / Ongoing	 Policies have been developed and in the process to be adopted. The VCBIS PFCC Action plan has been approved in 2018 and a revised PFCC Action Plan was adopted in 2020 1. Process is ongoing 2. Virtual services delivery has been implemented
	To focus on activities with the highest return for the least resources. To fully update VCBIS' website: Everything drives traffic to the website. Ensure all information on the VCBIS website is up to date and plain language. Promote website. Integrate VCBIS Social Media presence.	Program Managers / Staff / Virtual committee	2020	Consultation have been made with all stakeholders. Website almost fully updated as of September 2020.

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	Develop a quarterly newsletter to ABI professionals (grow email list).	Leadership team / Staff / Stakeholders / Communication consultant		Cornwall Day Program Facebook page was integrated within VCBIS' Facebook page. An extensive email list has been developed. Quarterly newsletter temporarily on hold due to the pandemic, to resume late 2020 beginning of 2021.
	Education sessions provided.		Ongoing	Privacy Training and Heathcare, Kate Dewhirst Health Law, June 13, 2019
				How to Organize Paperwork Valerie Huard, Organizer, author, Put that Stuff Down, March 20, 2019
				VCBIS Social Media Policy, Heather Badenoch, Village PR. April 18, 2018
				Effective Boundaries Workshop: Supporting Staff in the Helping Professions, Myriam Bouchard, MSW, RSW, Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre and Benedicte Carrier, MSW, RSW, Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre, February 21, 2018
				SafeTALK Robin Macdonald, Heart Land - Grief Support Training & Educational Retreats, February 2, 2018
To involve all stakeholders board of directors, management, staff, clients, significant others, and partners in the Development	To set up committees to get everyone's input. Stakeholders will be informed of upcoming Planning session(s). These Planning/focus sessions will be used to gather input to form the revised PFCC Plan.	Everyone	2019/20 Ongoing	A virtual participant and family/significant other advisory council was set up. Al parties were involved in the process through meetings or satisfaction survey.
of the PFCC Plan process.				
To improve profile of VCBIS QI initiatives.	Ensure progress is communicated to the different stakeholders and arrange for quarterly postings (where appropriate) of performance indicator results. (Key Performance Indicator tracker i.e. medication benchmark).	Stéphane Hébert	Ongoing	Employees are aware of the performance indicators, kept informed of the progress, are encouraged to take responsibility for improvements and congratulated on their success at QI. Key Performance Indicator tracker are made available to all staff via SharePoint.
		Program Managers	Ongoing	Common practice within the agency

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	Send Congratulatory messages to employees upon success and congratulations extended during staff meetings.			
	Develop a strategy to inform the public of QI initiatives including format and content.	Program Managers Communication Consultant	Fall 2020	Stakeholders and the public to be kept informed of the agency quality improvement successes on VCBIS website. The new VCBIS website is almost finalized.
To share results of client and family surveys.	Format and disseminate results of surveys to the appropriate stakeholders. Determine how to incorporate into VCBIS' website.	Leadership Committee to review results and draft report Final report shared	Fall 2020 / ongoing	Family, clients, and staff understand that their feedback on surveys and satisfaction questionnaires is valued and influences quality improvement. To show transparency by publishing survey results on the website.
		with staff via email / posting / at team meetings Final report shared with Board Final report shared with Clients and Families (website)		The website is almost completed, and it is expected that by Fall 2020 it will have all the necessary information accessible to all.
	To re-evaluate frequency of survey.	Leadership team, stakeholders and VCBIS' communication Consultant	Winter 2018 / ongoing	The frequency of surveys will be increase (exact time between surveys still needs to be determined).
To share Leading practice information for clients, families and practitioners on the Substance Use and Brain Injury Project (SUBI) project.	Continue to make manual available for ABI/ substance use providers and workbook for clients (on website).	Stéphane Hébert	Info on Website completed and updated yearly since 2013	A web based platform (<u>www.SUBI.ca</u>) was developed for the dissemination of information including the practice manuals and workbooks for substance use and brain injury and related resource links was developed with funding from the Ontario Neurotrauma Foundation (by CHIRS). Posted on VCBIS website with CHIRS
	To include in Client/Family Handbook and update as needed.	Stéphane Hébert	Info in Client/ Family Handbook completed and	Permission.

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			updated yearly since 2014	
To ensure that written materials provided to clients and families promote: The Leading Person and Family Centered Care approach at	Review and update Client and Family Centered care approach. Provide Information/ education session to all stakeholders (i.e. develop PowerPoint presentation and update as needed).	Stéphane Hébert	Initiated Spring 2016 – Ongoing ever since	PowerPoint presentation developed and presented to all new stakeholders.
VCBIS.	Client and Family Handbook to be reviewed and updated as needed.	Stéphane Hébert	Ongoing	Revisions completed as necessary – Last Updated Summer 2020.
	Share information with relevant staff.	Stéphane Hébert	Ongoing	Materials shared with all staffs, as necessary.
	Audit all current communication material for clients and families to see what revisions are required- assign the appropriate teams/groups.	Managers to review brochures, handbooks etc. to determine assignments. Communication	Ongoing	To provide up to date information to staff, families, and clients. Many brochures / materials have been reviewed to correspond with the launch of the new VCBIS' website.
	Given changes to the handbook over time consider re-launching the handbook to families who have been with VCBIS a long time.	Consultant.	Completed / Ongoing	
	Update the pamphlets / handbook section / general documentation on fall prevention and the development and education session as needed.	Managers in consultation with staff team input.	Spring 2020	All Fall prevention program materials updated and on website.
		Joint Health and Safety Committee (look at the establishment of a formal Client Safety and Wellness group).		Wellness group was form in the Spring of 2020.

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To provide Information and promotional material specific to Adult Day Program (ADP) through the ADP committee.	To implement ADP committee at both VCBIS ADP Programs.	Counsellors/partici pants at each ADP programs	Completed June 2016 and ongoing ever since	Published material increases awareness and promotes participation into the Adult Day Programs.
	Produce monthly calendar to distribute to participants (via email – hard copy or to post on website).	Day program counsellors	Ongoing	All approaches have been tried with the preferred one being posted on website (currently reviewing website approach as the website is currently being updated).
To better promote Client Publications and other VCBIS relevant information.	To use different social media towards promoting current events at VCBIS i.e. (Facebook, twitter, website etc.) – Look at how staffs, clients and family are involved in the process.	Staffs / virtual committee / managers	Ongoing	Look at the feasibility of clients/family members to be provided with the opportunity to be creative, and expressive within the VCBIS community.
	Review how successful VCBIS Facebook account is.	Managers / Staffs / Stakeholders	Fall 2020	Create a satisfaction survey to get feedback on this topic.
To communicate employee wellness initiatives.	To formalize wellness committee to produce "wellness blog", monthly schedule of wellness activities on an ongoing basis".	Wellness Committee	A formal wellness committee was formed in the	Employee safety and wellness culture and associated activities are promoted at VCBIS.
	To find ways to get as much participation as possible from staff.		Summer of 2020	Employees to be kept informed of key health and safety issues according to the time of year.
	Review current wellness program.			The wellness committee is to undergo a full overview of VCBIS wellness initiative by the end of 2020 going into 2021.
To ensure all communication elements related to legislative requirements are	Add Accessibility Policy Statement to website as per legislative requirements and update, as necessary.	Stéphane Hébert	Ongoing	Statement on VCBIS website.
followed.	Provide Accessibility Standards to website developer so new site complies with WCAG Level AA compliant (not required until 2021).	Stéphane Hébert to forward to website developer	Completed	All information has been forwarded to the website developer.
	Add Employment Accessibility Statement to career section of current website.	Stéphane Hébert	Ongoing	Statement on VCBIS website / Currently being updated as VCBIS is in the process of reviewing its entire website. Website should be fully completed by the Fall of 2020.
	Finalize and post Accessibility Plan on website.	Stéphane Hébert	Ongoing	In-progress

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	Continue partnership with OACBABIS network – Use	Stéphane Hébert	Ongoing	Ongoing contact with HR staffs from sister agencies.
	HR support services as needed.			Uses HR Download as an HR support tool.
To ensure SharePoint's	Select staff to join SharePoint audit workgroup.	Tammy Kuchynski	Ongoing	To ensure that
effectiveness as		to coordinate		- Duplications will be avoided
communication tool for staff.	Conduct audit including survey piece for staff.	entire process		 Site will be more user friendly and intuitive
				 Easier to manage changes and keep up to date
	Make recommendations to Management for			
	revisions/approval.			All information relevant to the agency and to staff is being posted on SharePoint.
	Develop implementation work plan and make			on Sharer onte.
	revisions.			
	Evaluate progress and revise work plan and			
	timelines as needed.			
To provide quality services	Increase services for people with ABIs who are	Management team	Ongoing	VCBIS was awarded a one-time \$75,000.00 grant by Ontario
that meet client's diverse	homeless, veterans and/or in prison.	/ Tammy Kuchynski	01180118	Trillium Foundation for a Homelessness Prevention Coordinator
needs, to more people with	······	, , ,		The role of the Homelessness Prevention (HPC) coordinator is to
acquired brain injury.	Increase day program from two to three days per			provide service access and support to break down barriers
,	week.			contributing to homelessness and housing insecurity using a
				Housing first approach. The HPC will be responsible to establish
	Increase the types of services.			best practices for a Homelessness prevention program model
				specific to the unique needs of individuals living with a brain
	To submit application to speak at key conferences.			injury. The HPC will be responsible for the development of
				Community stakeholder partnerships for individual support and
				service access. The HPC will also be responsible for conducting
				community education sessions related to Brain Injury and
				Homelessness. The educational outcomes will include general
				brain injury information, application of screening tools for
				identifying brain injury, and practical tools and strategies to best
				support individuals living in precarious housing, currently
				homelessness or at risk of homelessness and living with a brain
				injury.

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				In February 2020, VCBIS was given additional funding to create and extra day of day program. As a result of the pandemic, programming has moved from in person to online.
				New groups have been created (such as the Cognitive Therapy
				group) to complement the numerous groups VCBIS already offers.
				VCBIS has submitted the following: Is there a Better Way? Program Evaluation of a Personal Support/Independence Training program
				for adults with Acquired Brain Injury, both as a presentation and poster presentation. VCBIS presented at the Brain Injury
				Awareness Day, June 12, 2019 and a poster presentation was completed for the UHN Traumatic Brain Injury Conference,
				February 7, 2019
Strategic Plan elements: Qu CLIENT SAFETY PLAN:	ality and Operational Effectiveness			
To Implement Cultural	Back in 2018 a staff member from each program and	Stéphane Hébert	Summer 2019	- Course taken by selected staff.
Indigenous Safety Training so to	a program manager were recruited to take the	and a staff from		- To have all staff member completing the Cultural
foster a climate where the unique history of indigenous people is recognized and	Cultural Indigenous Safety Training. Those same people were able to take the follow up course to	each program		Indigenous Safety Training in the upcoming year.
respected to provide appropriate care and services in	Indigenous Cultural Safety Training.			To look at incorporating the Cultural Indigenous Safety training within the orientation process.
an equitable and safe way, without discrimination.	Each subsequent year to have more staff take the Cultural Indigenous Safety Training Course.	Delegated staff	Ongoing	More staffs from each program have formally taken the course and most staff have been given materials on the topic.
To formalize /implement Client Wellness and Safety committee to monitor client safety at VCBIS to identify	To recruit and set up members to join Client Wellness and Safety committee (in person or virtual).	Program managers	2020 (Fall)	A wellness committee is in the process of being formalized. Currently being done at an informal level (ongoing discussion between managers / counsellors / stakeholders.
potential risks, collect data and revise systems.		All team meetings	Ongoing	Client and Safety is a standard agenda item within all meetings.

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	Solicit feedback from teams regularly by adding Client and Safety as agenda item on all team meeting agendas.	Program managers/counselo rs/JH&SC and Client Safety and Wellness Committee (once in place)	Ongoing	Quarterly indicator data for medication incidences, infection rates, elopements and client fall etc. Annual work plans completed. (part of Key Performance Indicator Tracker report). Education and communications provided. Regular Participants meeting are being held at each program on client's wellness and safety.
	Conduct ongoing review of Client Incidents for trending purposes and provide recommendations.	Managers - Counsellors	Ongoing	Through "green binders" – HR Download – Education sessions.
	Manage and oversee communications re: client safety for clients and families on safety (i.e. Healthy eating: Healthy Living: Physical Activity). Establish and Review work plan once committee has been appointed. Educate staff.	Client Safety and Wellness Committee Leaders of different programs – Leaders of all programs Stéphane Hébert - Client Safety and Wellness Committee Stéphane Hébert - Client Safety and Wellness Committee	Ongoing	Recruitment process has been started.
To review Incident Report form.	A prospective analysis of the incident review form will be completed.	Stéphane Hébert – Residential team – Residential clients and their significant others.	Winter / Spring 2020	A full overview of the Incident report was performed early in the year 2020, which resulted in changes being made to the incident report form.
To review Fall Prevention Program.	Review all fall incidents – determine trends (if any) – make changes to Fall Prevention Plan as needed.	Stéphane Hébert – Residential team	Ongoing review of incidents at	Fall Prevention Plan reviewed beginning 2020.

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	Look at possible implementation of Client Falls workgroup.	Stéphane Hébert	staff meetings – Ongoing Ongoing	Currently the residential staff team is leading this effort.
	Residential Team to identify and coordinate future planning for clients who may require discharge in the upcoming year due to physical needs that go beyond what VCBIS can safely manage.	Residential Team	Ongoing	Client falls are minimized; strategies and assistive equipment are put in place in a timely manner. Where Client falls present a high risk of personal injury, those clients are identified and managed. Consideration will be given to placement in a long-term care facility when the clients' needs overwhelm VCBIS resources and there is a reasonable risk of serious physical injury.
To reduce Number of staff related medication administration errors.	Continue to collect and review Quarterly indicator data.	Residential Team	Ongoing	When supporting our residential clients around taking their medication, VCBIS staff will strive for zero staff responsible medication errors.
	Deeply investigate data for trends- by staff- more experience, new staff etc.		Ongoing	A full medication analysis report (and prospective analysis) is being completed every second year, the last one was completed in the Spring of 2020.
	All Medication policies to be reviewed	Residential Team / dedicated staff	Yearly	Policies, medication training and test updated as needed.
	Revise training as needed	member and program manager	Yearly	Staff training and testing is done yearly.
	Update staff medication test		Yearly	
To provide/review policy on Outbreak management.	Complete literature review for best practices for community-based agencies. Network with a sister agency to identify what they	Executive director / Stéphane Hébert – Amy Bowen / Andrew McKinney	Ongoing	The extent and the impact of an <u>infectious disease outbreak</u> on clients and staff will be limited by rapid implementation of evidence-based outbreak management and infection disease protocols.
	have in place.	(Joint Health and		
	Draft/review Outbreak Policy. Finalize policy and share with staff.	Safety Committee)		The entire Emergency and Disaster plan and Pandemic Plan was reviewed at the beginning of 2020 and updated as needed to reflect the current situation.
	Train staff on the outbreak policy.			

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To provide updated protocol for managing Elopement.	Review Elopement policy as part of Operations Policy Review Initiative.	Stéphane Hébert / Counselors / Residential clients and their significant others	Yearly Ongoing	VCBIS will mitigate the risk associated with clients who elope from a VCBIS program or service by having a general procedure for unusual incidents and individual support procedures for those identified as requiring ongoing management in the area (through scripts and protocols).
	Personalize it to adapt to each individual client (script and protocols). Ensure staff reviews policy / scripts / protocols.	Clients' counsellor	Yearly, as needed)	
		Program managers	Ongoing	
Utilize Client Safety culture survey results to make improvements as needed.	Administer Client Safety Culture tool to all staff. Review findings from Patient Safety Culture survey Share report with staff. Develop action plan.	Accreditation Coordinator	2020	Survey completed – results shared with staff – Action Plan developed, and implementation started (Summer 2020).
Continue to benchmark client safety data with other community-based ABI providers.	Program managers to oversee the sharing of VCBIS client safety data re: client falls resulting in injury and staff responsible medication errors with other Directors. Agency data to be reviewed and ranked by agency.	Program Managers	Program managers to share with OACBABIS program directors (yearly).	Data shared. Benchmarking data shared and reviewed.
	Develop yearly report on above benchmarking and shared with staffs.	Dedicated residential staff	Program manager to share benchmarking data with Management Team as part of the Quarterly review schedule.	Report completed and shared with staff

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Update Incident reporting policies to reflect change from adverse events to Patient Safety Incident.	Complete literature review- Canada Patient Safety Management. Audit systems to determine all documentation if revisions are required Review last prospective analysis on Incident report process to ensure that it is still valid. Complete revisions and share policy changes with all staff (if applicable).	Stéphane Hébert	Summer 2020	Literature review completed Audit completed Current process still valid
RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN: a co	oordinated and well-articulated method to identify and	address organization	risk.	
Look at the possibility of setting up an external risk Management audit on an ongoing basis i.e. every 4 years.	Determine and assigned to appropriate team/person for decision in the matter. Next audit to be scheduled depending on approval.	Executive Director Board to approve and schedule	To be determined To be determined	VCBIS integrated risk management plan would be augmented by an audit of an independent risk management professional. Gaps could be identified, and mitigation efforts would be addressed in the VCBIS yearly operation plans.
Establish documentation retention term for Personnel files.	Gather information from sister agencies and HR sources to determine best practice standards on documentation retention. Information Management policy to be updated as necessary. Policy to be circulated to all staff as necessary.	Program managers	Process started Fall 2019	More research needs to be done in this area as best practices seem to be inconsistent.
Awareness of legal action re: unsolicited photographs been taking by non-VCBIS staff. (i.e. by student doing placement at VCBIS)	Consult with sister agencies to determine best practices and determine if any action is to be taken.	Stéphane Hébert	Last reviewed Fall 2019	Review completed - Continue with current photo consent clause every time such a request is made.

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To update Operations Policies to ensure they reflect current practices.	OP plan tracking developed Policies assigned to appropriate person Regular review to determine progress and work to be completed. Operational policies to be shared as completed. Revise Table of Content- to include review date. Propose 4-year review schedule and get approval by Management team.	Tammy Kuchynski Program Managers	Ongoing Ongoing As needed	Operations Policies are up to date and in line with current practice.
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN	I	<u> </u>		
SAFETY AND WELLNESS: Contin	ue to promote a strong and leading-edge Health and Sa	<mark>fety culture</mark>		
To improve and monitor employee safety.	Develop and maintain Continuous Quality Improvement plan and provide progress updates. Complete annual Health and Safety Management System audit.	Executive Director / Program Managers JHSC	Ongoing - Ensure action plan items are carried over into next fiscal year. Annually Presentation to Management Team /JHSC re: results QI Action plan updated and shared with all staff	Continuous quality action plan in place and maintained. Policies tracking sheet in place. Chapter 5 annual Policy review complete. Policies revised and re- circulated.
	Complete annual review of Chapter 5 Health and Safety Policies. Continue to track employee injury indicators re: WSIB lost time statistics	JHSC Program Managers	Annually Quarterly indicator data presented to	Indicator data reviewed (for last fiscal year)

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			Management within the review schedule.	
To continue to evaluate and promote employee wellness/ Engagement.	Work Life Pulse Survey Roll out Work Life pulse survey from Accreditation Canada. Analyze results. Review results with Management team and determine next steps. Prepare summary and share results with all staff. Prepare action plan as needed.	Accreditation Co- ordinator	2020	Survey completed – results shared with staff – Action Plan developed, and implementation started (Summer 2020).
	Complete sick time analysis and review against national and industry standards.	Stéphane Hébert	Annually	
	Psychological Health and Safety Management System Complete literature review Draft Policy Develop training Incorporate staff feedback into policy Finalize and share policy	Stéphane Hébert	Completed 2020	Policies and training have been updated as needed.
	Educate all staff regarding Employee Assistance Program (EAP)	Tammy Kuchynski	Annually or as needed	Increased awareness of staff with respect to services offered via EAP.
Use performance indicators to drive QI activities.	Senior management to review and make recommendations quarterly on performance indicators. (Review of Key performance Indicator tracker and results).	Management Team	Quarterly or as reports come available	 Performance indicator data is gathered and presented at quarterly management meeting specifically. Client goal attainment review (ALS) – (PSIT) -DP Client falls, Medication errors Staff injuries, WSIB claims, and data on return to work Staff turnover Adverse/Sentinel Events Staff training statistics Use of ethical review worksheet Many more

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				See Indicator Tracker Report for the last 4 years.
To strengthen ethics and profile use of revised tools.	To formally implement an Ethical Team/Committee to continue to monitor manage and consult on ethical issues that arise and to liaise with Community Ethics Network if needed. Ensure the membership of Ethics team reflects all programs. Revamping Ethics training for staff.	Program Managers and ethics team / Program teams	Ongoing	VCBIS Ethical Framework/Code of Ethics guides decision making and has become integral to the way in which service is provided. Ethics to become a standard agenda item. Training completed.
	Share updates with staff to better educate them on how the ethics tool kit can be used to make decisions. To ensure that the toolkit is uses when situations arises.		Process started in Summer 2016 – Ongoing ever since	Increased staff awareness hopefully will result in increased use of the tool.
	Look into establish Performance Indicator data to evaluate use of the tool kit/framework. Conduct a perspective analysis of VCBIS ethical framework.	Program Manager / Dedicated staff / PFCC	2020 Winter / Spring 2020	Prospective Analysis completed and shared with staffs.
Continue to Benchmark with sister agencies .	VCBIS to provide quarterly agency indicators re: employee and client safety indicators.	Program Managers and Directors Network	Quarterly –	Program Directors of sister agencies created operational definitions and coordinated the data collection.
	Review VCBIS ranking in comparison with sister agencies. Share results with staff.		Ongoing	Successes and process improvements are discussed at biannual meeting of program directors and information shared regularly.
To review and update personnel policy to ensure that reflect current practice.	Develop tracking tool. Complete audit of policies that require review and /or revision.	Stéphane Hébert / Tammy Kuchynski	Ongoing	Personnel Policies are up to date and reflect current practice. Policies are reviewed annually.
	Prioritize based on those that impact staff the most.Send policies for staff group feedback.Forward final policies for Executive Director approvalShare with staff as policies get completedSet review schedule for ongoing maintenance.			VCBIS had an outside agency (HR Download) do a review of its Policy and Procedure manual to ensure that the organization complies with all legislations (which it did).

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Continue to conduct staff, client, and family satisfaction survey. Quality and Operational Effe Compliance with	Prepare survey tool. Update client and family list. Engage students to assist clients in completing the survey (where needed). (communication of results is included in communication plan section) - Review frequency ctiveness: Responsible Financial Management Continue to collect and measure Service statistics:	Management team (delegates as needed) Virtual committee Executive Director	Ongoing Last surveys were done early to mid-2020.	 Family, clients, and staff understand that their feedback on surveys and satisfaction questionnaires is valued and influences quality improvement. Survey completed / information shared with staff and soon to be posted on VCBIS' website where applicable. After consultation with stakeholders it was determined that the frequency of survey should occur every second year. Reporting documented in meeting minutes.
Compliance with Ministry/LHIN agreements.	individuals served, units of service requirements in all functional centers and quarterly financial reporting.	Executive Director	Complete annual indicator data to be presented to Board of directors Complete annual indicator review. Continue to meet all financial reporting requirements as set out by Ministry/LHIN every year.	Reporting documented in meeting minutes.
	ctiveness: Strong Infrastructure			
To review and revise Disaster Response and Emergency planning.	Review Pandemic and emergency policy (Emergency Response Plan) to identify revisions required.	Leadership Team	Policies and resources reviewed 2020 / Ongoing during current pandemic	The ability of VCBIS to keep employees and clients as safe as possible during an emergency or disaster is enhanced with integrated proactive emergency procedures.
	Develop plan for reorganization and updating.	Program managers	As needed	

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	Test the plans (i.e. fire drills).	Residential staffs	Fire drills completed monthly.	
	Retrain staff on revised pandemic and emergency	All residential staff	Reports available	Training meets regulatory compliance.
	plan as appropriate.		to all staff /	Upcoming
	Fire Marshal compulsory training completed for owners and supervisors.		ongoing As needed	
	Fire Marshal compulsory training for supervisory staff and care occupancies, care and treatment occupancies and retirement homes.		Ongoing	
	Look at possibility to set up this training to staff from other programs.		Pending	
Business Continuity Plan	To Complete Risk assessment. Complete Audit of the Finance Dept. Outline Emergency Payroll emergency procedures. Identify gaps in continuity plan.	Executive Director	Ongoing	VCBIS continues to review continuity plan as to ensure services in the possibility of a disruptive event that has the potential to cause service interruption.
Computer infrastructure	Consolidation of backup. Upgrade virtualized server with new software and build in redundancy.	Tammy Kuchynski / Nerds on Site	Update at the end of year	The VCBIS computer infrastructure is current, secure, and safeguarded from failure and adequately backed up to protect against information loss.
	Continue with consolidation of aging computers.		Ongoing	
	Year-end purchases		End of each fiscal year	Purchases of computer at end of fiscal year
Database (CIMS)	Database is now being used to record units of service, manage waitlist, as well as payroll.	Tammy Kuchynski	Completed	VCBIS has data on service delivery easily accessible and available to guide service delivery and quality improvement decisions.
Incident Report data management	Continue with current Incident report process. Look into the possibility of using a data base for that purpose.	Tammy Kuchynski	Currently being reviewed	Client and employee incident data is available in an organized and timely fashion in a format that instructs service and drives quality improvement.

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Centralized Waitlist	Continue with the use of the ABI Systems Navigator position.	By person holding the navigator position	Ongoing	The Champlain LHIN ABI providers centralize client waitlist as requested by the Funder.
Family and client database	Review the existing process and system of collecting client email addresses and make recommendations. Determine timelines around the development of the family and client database Integrate the anti-spam legislation (CASL) into the	Tammy Kuchynski	Currently being reviewed Completed	For VCBIS to be able to communicate with families and clients via email.
	new process			
interRAI- CHA	Continue use of assessment tool / helps with goal planning and review its efficacy.	All counsellors and program managers	Ongoing	As an add on to staff, client and family input, the system as shown great promise in the establishment of goals for clients. Training will be provided when new version of the interRAI-CHA is implemented.
Ensure that Information Management Practices are current.	Complete Integrated Assessment Record privacy self-assessment. Continue document retention/destruction policy and procedures. Identify document management needs, the data base will then be configured to meet those needs.	Tammy Kuchynski	Privacy self- assessment completed Annually / As needed Ongoing	Personal Health Information policies are kept current so that staffs have the tools available to ensure that clients' privacy rights are always respected.
	Revise information management policies.		Ongoing	
	Set up guidelines for yearly managerial inspection and report of departmental compliance with privacy policies		Annually / As needed	In Progress
Audits	Quality Audit of the RAI CHA module	Tammy Kuchynski	Annually / As needed	Client Personal Health Information (PHI) is maintained in accordance with our contractual obligations

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Document retention	Identify retention period for client PHI and provide guidelines to staff for document and file storage both on and off site.	Tammy Kuchynski	Ongoing / As needed	Clients PHI is retained for as long as is needed- 17 years (subject to the Limitations Act) Part of interRAI-CHA, consents need to be signed every year
General assessment	Determine how many of the client's goals will be triggered.	Tammy Kuchynski - Counsellors	Ongoing	Standardized General assessments are done on all clients served by VCBIS as part of our service.
Quality and Operational Effe	ctiveness: Sound Governance			
To ensure that all Board Ends Statements are being met.	Ensure implementation of approved Strategic Plan 2018 to 2021.	Chair, and Board members	2018 / 2021	Identified Strategic Plan Objectives / Goals are well underway.
	Complete annual evaluation re: board functioning and self- assessment of Governance Standards.	Board Members and all stakeholders		Completed 2020
	Review Results report.	Board Members	Annually	Survey completed
	Review results and update plan action.		Ongoing	Report reviewed and shared.
	Participate in accreditation site survey Maintain accreditation status.		2019/20	Completed
	Track completion of board related items.		Yearly	Items tracked and removed from action plan as needed.
	Develop annual work plan.		Ongoing	
Attain increased financial stability for the organization.	Increase revenue Diversify revenue sources, including fee-for-service clients.	Leadership team	Ongoing	 VCBIS was awarded base funding of \$41,760.00 to provide an additional day of service to the Ottawa Day Program. VCBIS received a one-year funding from Ontario Trillium Foundation in the amount of \$75,000.00 for a Homelessness

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				VCBIS was awarded \$ 10 500 in extra funding from Health Ontario East to develop and implement virtual services.
Human Resource Plan				
To ensure ongoing training and development of employees.	Select training and development activities that match staff job needs and their aspirations. Follow-up with employees after a training event to	Program Managers Program Managers	Ongoing Ongoing	 Employees have had numerous training opportunities throughout the year as well as being able to attend seminars and conferences. On-Line training is also available for staff. At times staff have also been requested to present to their peer
	ensure they practice new skills or knowledge on the job.			upon their return from a conference/seminar on a topic of their choice.
To manage employee performance on a regular basis.	Set up regular one on one time with the employee. Set up formal employee performance review as per	Program Managers	Ongoing	Open door policies from management allows for increase communication between management and employees.
	VCBIS policies.	Program Managers	As per VCBIS policies	Ongoing mentoring and formal employees review as per VCBIS policies has created increase job satisfaction for the employee and encourage an open and trusting relationship between management and employees.
To review performance review process.	To investigate the effectiveness of the current Performance Evaluation Tool and its value as a performance measurement tool will be evaluated on an ongoing basis. Ongoing communications to all employees regarding our expectations on job performance.	Executive Director with input from staff	Summer 2020	A new 360 ° has been developed and will come into effect by the end of 2020.
	The benefit of adding a peer review component to the Performance evaluation will be discussed with the employees.			
To complete a comparison salary survey to ensure VCBIS wages and benefits remain competitive.	Research will be conducted with other local and sister agencies to determine any potential disparity in wages and benefits.	Management team	Fall 2020	Outcome pending, surveys have been sent to other agencies (awaiting results).

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To review all job descriptions.	All job description will be reviewed to ensure that they remain accurate and offer a comprehensive overview of the position.	Management team with input from employees	2020	Reviewed completed and changes made where applicable.