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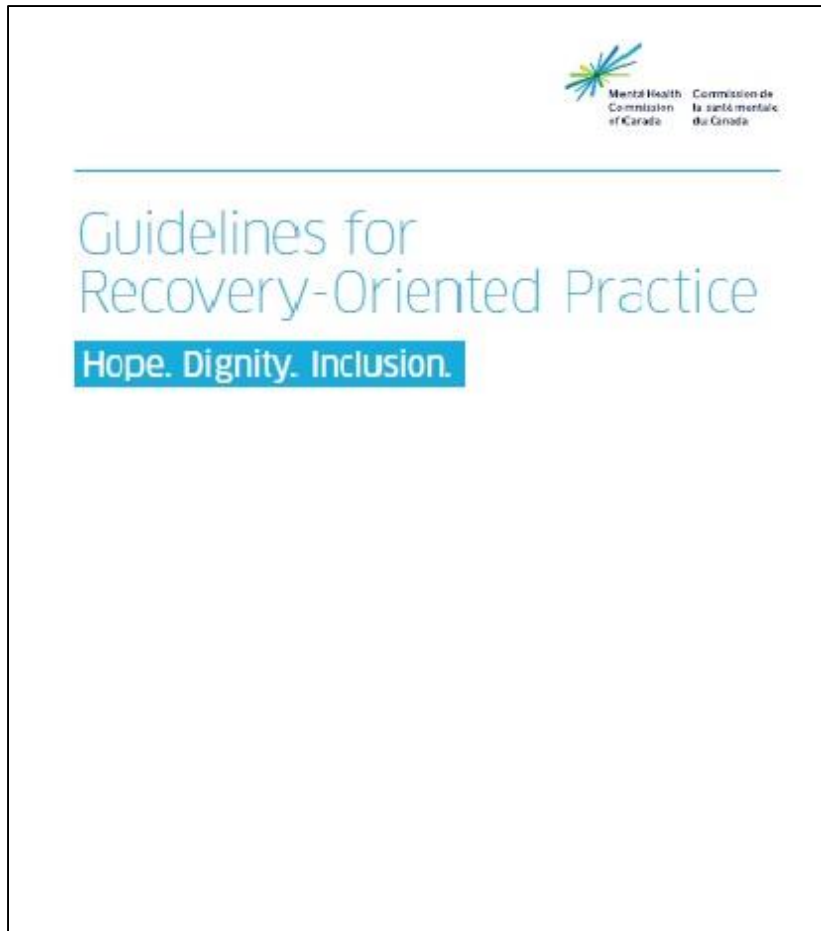
Recovery Occurs in the Context of
One's Life

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Guidelines for Recovery-Oriented Practice



The *Guidelines* were released in June 2015 to provide a comprehensive document to understand recovery practice and promote a consistent application of recovery principles across Canada

<http://www.mentalhealthcommission.ca/English/initiatives/RecoveryGuidelines>

Six Dimensions of Recovery-Oriented Practice

1. Creating a Culture and Language of Hope
2. **Recovery is Personal**
3. Recovery Occurs in the Context of One's Life
4. Responding to the Diverse Needs of Everyone Living in Canada
5. Working with First Nations, Inuit, Métis
6. Recovery is about Transforming Services and Systems

Presenters



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Chapter 3: Recovery Occurs in Context of Everyday Life

Katherine Stewart OT Reg (Ont.) and Regina Casey, PhD, MA, Dip OT, Post Doc AMHF

*"Healing and recovery do not occur in a vacuum ...
outcomes [are better] when social supports /relationships are stronger"* – Fiona Wilson



Thank You

- To my fellow presenter Katherine Stewart (and presenters from archived sessions), you the audience, the MHCC and particularly Bonita and Karla for the invite and PSR/RPS Canada for their support with this presentation today.



Learning Objectives

- To consider the intersection of recovery with respect to family, loved ones and community
- To highlight an approach to social inclusion and social responsibility
- To identify key aspects of Stigma and discrimination
- To describe steps in building partnerships with community

from the perspective of two clinicians, researchers & educators



Recovery in the Context of One's Life

Our plan for Guideline 3, A-D

Regina

- ➡ 3A: Recognizing the value of family, friends and community
- ➡ 3B: Supporting Social Inclusion and Advocacy on Social Determinants

Katherine

- ➡ 3C: Addressing Stigma and Discrimination
- ➡ 3D: Building Partnerships with Community



Definition of Recovery For This Presentation

Drawing from work by MHCC, Patricia Deegan and numerous others

Recovery – A person centered approach of engaging hope, meaning & purpose to help people become their best self. Helping individuals to build skills & supports - expecting and supporting self-determination, empowerment, wellbeing and responsibility taking while actively promoting full social inclusion and community interconnectivity.

Psychosocial Rehabilitation

PSR- set of principles, practices [interventions], values & ethics [**competence**] aimed at facilitating **recovery** with and for people who live with mental health and substance use challenges

Farkas, M. (2013). Introduction to Psychiatric/Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR): History and Foundations. Current Psychiatry Reviews, (9) 177-187.

Interventions with Strong evidence - Assertive Community Treatment- Supported Employment- **Family based services** - Skills Training, Integrated Concurrent Disorders & Psychosocial Interventions for weight management, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, MI (Port Studies, 2010). Peer involvement (Cook et al., 2012) Housing First, MHCC. Good evidence for Cognitive remediation, medication adherence & Early Intervention



MHCC, Complementary Approaches - PSR Principles & Competencies (2013) and Recovery Guidelines (2015)

Guidelines

- provide a broader, conceptual overview of Recovery and Recovery-Oriented practice.
- Contains recommendations for re-orientating of the full mental health system – policy, program and practice level.

PSR Competencies of Practice (2013)

- Get at the deeper level of practice and evaluation by identifying key themes, competencies, and performance indicators.
- The PSR Competencies help get the specific question of what and how of practicing

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PSR and Recovery – Our Roles

- **Person receiving services** (Being in Recovery)
- **Loved ones** (seeking and offering support re Recovery)
- **Professional** (Engage in ongoing development of the necessary skills, attitudes & knowledge – competence)
- **Mental Health and Substance Use Services** (Person-centered and recovery-oriented, help individuals fully engage in communities of choice, and overcome stigma and discrimination)



MHCC, Recovery is supported by building meaningful relationships and through social networks

Regina's worldview – contextual influences

- Ireland
- Home Town
- Family life
- OT Clinician

The Current Canadian Context – As I see it

- Recovery as established Approach/Model/Philosophy – with personal, system and political aspects
- Need for Knowledge Exchange, formal education, clinical support and evaluative practices and processes to promote recovery through evidence informed interventions in our mental health systems and communities
- Collaborative Partnership (PSR/RPS Canada and MHCC) – further the goals of the commission
- Challenge ahead of us as described by this Recovery Webinar Series – (Dr Ian Dawe March 17, 2016 and Brian McKinnon “are we stepping back from this intrinsic commitment to recovery implementation” , April 21, 2015 - are we impeding the development of individual recovery and psychiatry in general – McKinnon adapted from Coleman)



3A: Recognizing the value of family, friends and community

“Human relationships help us test ideas, recognize our strengths , successes and offer us opportunities to learn and grow” - Fiona Wilson

In addition, **what** we do, **why** and **with whom** matters

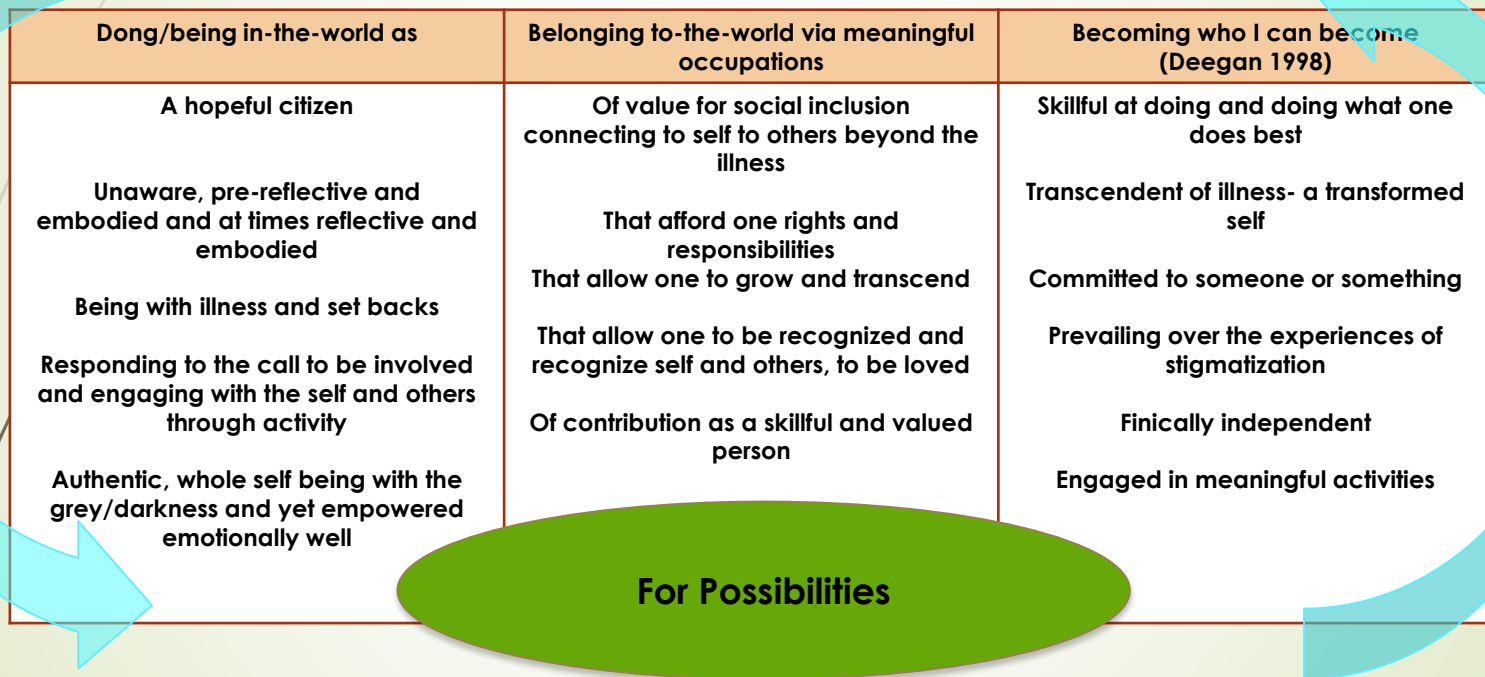


The Importance of Meaning Making; An Inextricable Link to Context

- Consider Patricia Deegan's call ... to engage in a journey of the heart (1996), re thinking rehabilitation ... and following Freire (1989) to free ourselves to "pursue the ontological vocation of being and becoming more fully, more complexly and more joyously human.
- A wise call to "be" and "become" (to define oneself) in the context of everyday life that encompasses a sense of possibility... a sense of of hope and meaning ... by shaping the human interacting environment
- ...a relevant message for all stakeholders two decades on

Doing/being, Belonging and Becoming

Hammell, 2004; Reberio et al., 2001; Wilcock, 1998, 2006)



Casey, 2013



So What? – What Matters?

- Self – in context;
- context shapes the self:

We experience meaning and purpose through what we do and who we do it with

Some people with significant mental health issues may experience profound disengagement from meaningful activity (Krupa et al., 2010)

Ways to Involve loved Ones

The European Federation of Associations of Family of people with mental illness “asserts that meeting the expressed needs of family caregivers will quicken the recovery of their loved ones” (n.d. from)

<http://www.eufami.org/publications/position-papers/eufami-s-position-paper-on-family-carers-needs>

Inman advises MH systems “to carefully examine and address the unique difficulties faced by families dealing with severe mental illnesses ... it's imperative that family caregivers play a key role in this process.”

2014 from http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/susan-inman/schizophrenia-caregivers_b_6167104.html



Involving Loved Ones; How are we doing?

MHCC- How do you assess family support needs and measure outcomes?

How are families involved in service delivery?

What resources are available to family members?

Please type (3-4 mins)



“The Strengths Bank Game”

Lori Aschraft (2013)

- Prepares a group to identify and develop personal strengths (Balance sheet of skills/talents vs challenges- with an advisor).
- Identify talents that require further investment (self/others/community)
- Identify a resource directory of the group (current talents and talents under development)
- Identify a process to share talents/support resources as a team

The goal is to build the social capital necessary to develop reciprocal relationships

<http://www.behavioral.net/article/using-strengths-bank-build-authentic-community-inclusion>



Partnership Check-in; How Are We Doing?

- ▶ How do you collaborate with community organizations – acknowledge and measure success?
- ▶ How do you support health and community partnerships
- ▶ How is community partnership a core aspect of your work

Please type ideas (3-4 mins)

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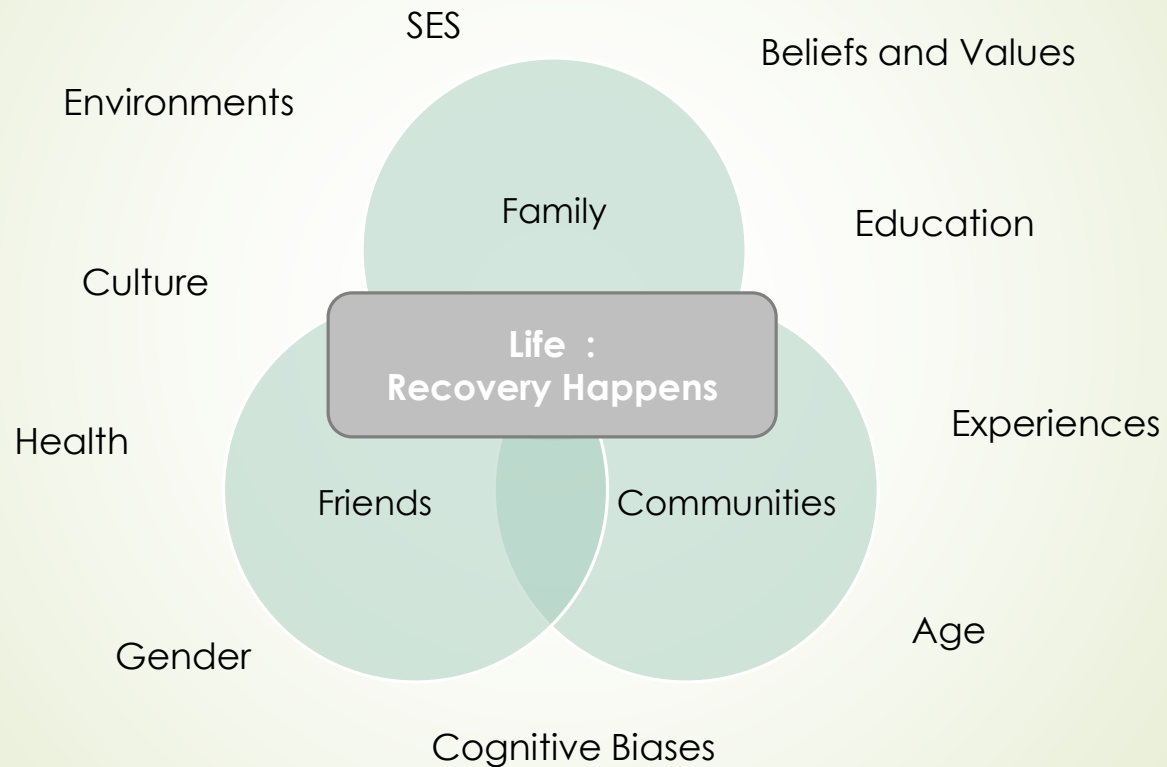
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- **3C: Addressing Stigma and Discrimination**
- **3D: Building Partnerships with Community**

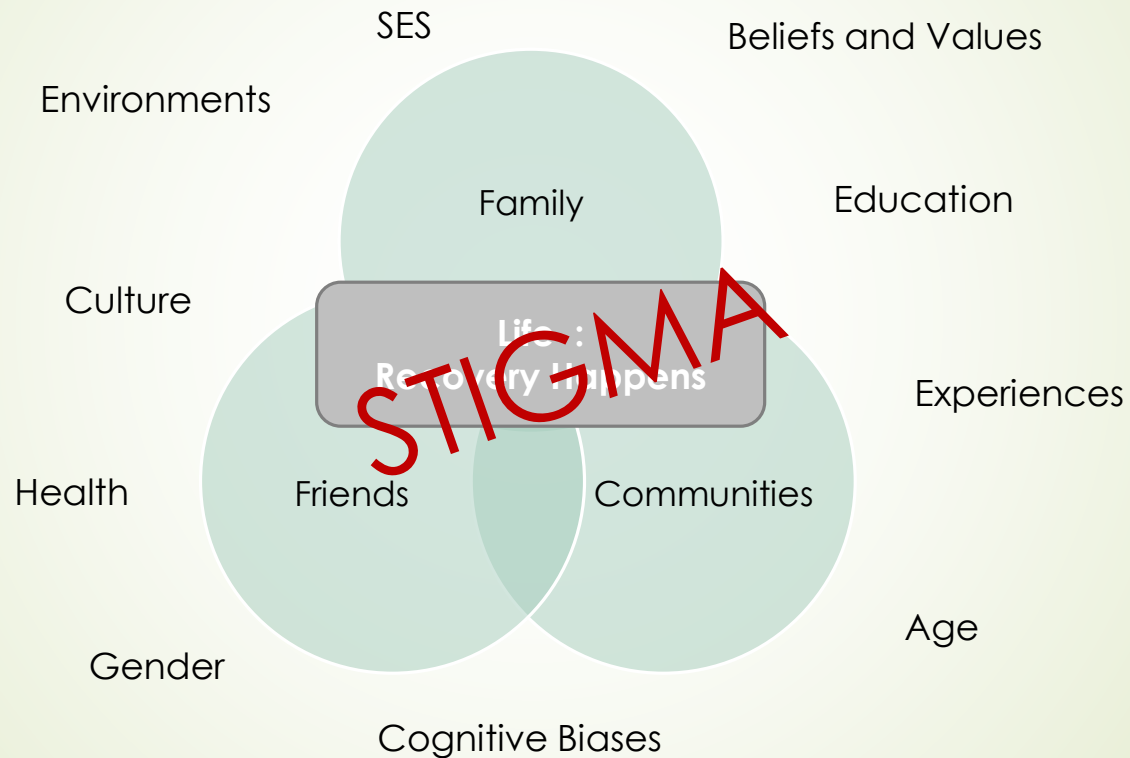
Whiteboard Question

What does it mean to participate as an equal citizen in the social and economic life of your community?

Factors Influencing One's Life



Stigma's Impact on Recovery



“The single most important barrier to overcome in the community is the stigma and associated discrimination towards persons suffering from mental and behavioural disorders.”

The World Health Organization, 2001

What is stigma?

Types of Stigma

- Public
 - Attitudes and feelings
- Institutional
 - Policies, practices, culture
- Self
 - Internalizing

Michigan Department of Community Health, 2011

“What you believe about yourself because you have a diagnosis of mental illness can often be more disabling than the illness itself.”

Ike Powell, 2002

Common Myths about Mental Illness

- If we know they are myths then why do they persist?



"The absence of negative messages is more important in developing a positive self-image than the presence of positive messages."

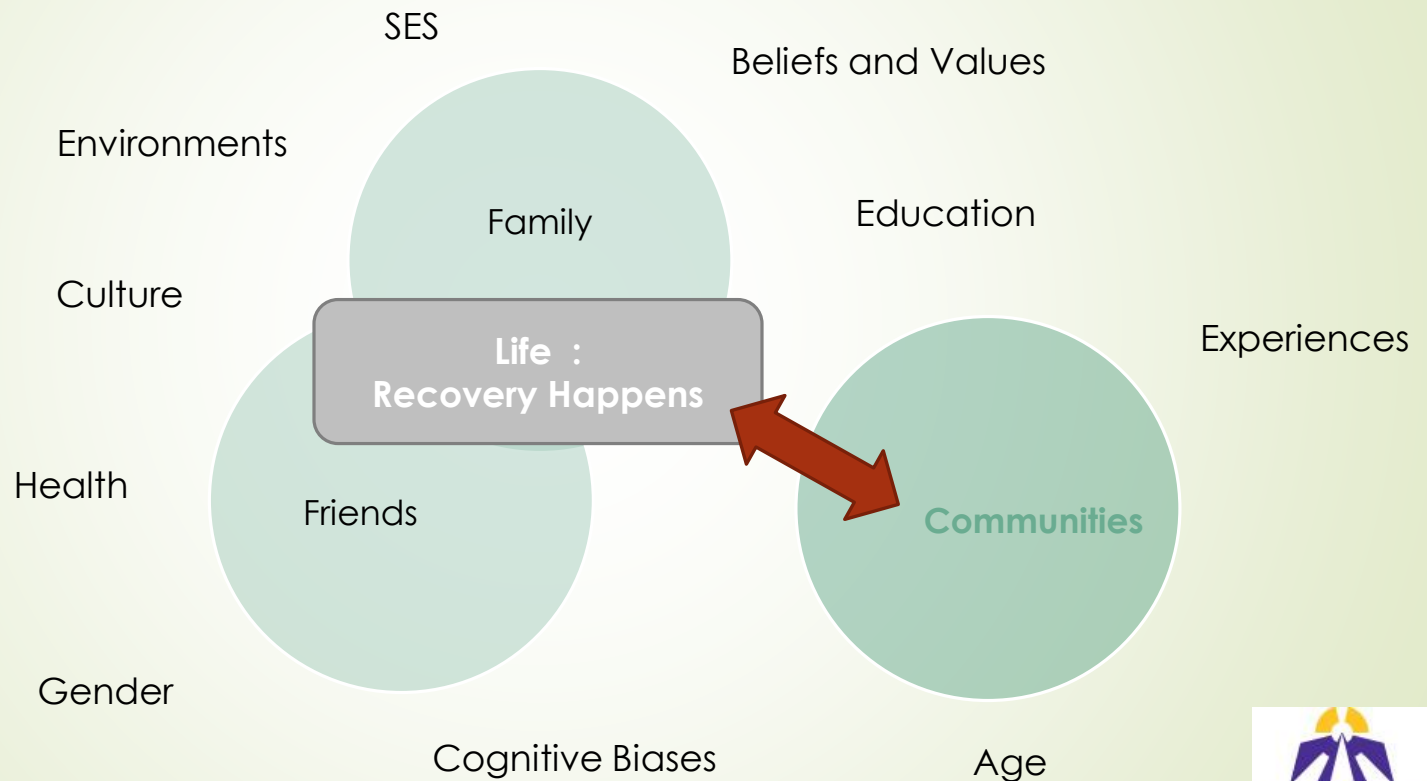
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What can **YOU** do about stigma?

- Listen to the stories
- Share and educate
- Speak up and out!
- Advocate
- Join in
- Create connections and partnerships

Building Partnerships with Community





...full integration of people in recovery
into their communities...

PSR/RPS Canada Core Principles and Values
PSR/RPS Canada website



Define Community

Community – a (social) group of people living in the same place; interdependence; feeling of fellowship; sharing attitudes, interests, goals.

www.oxforddictionaries.com

- Personal
- Public
- Work/School
- Social
- Spiritual
- Cultural

Equal Citizenship

- To have a home
- To have a purpose
- To have income
- To have social connections

TO BELONG

Is your community...

- Welcoming and thriving?
- Hopeless and despairing?

What can **YOU** do about building partnerships in the community?

- Listen to the stories
- Share and educate
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“The degree to which I can participate in creating the life that I want is directly related to the degree in which I am truly aware of my participation in creating and sustaining the life that I have.”

Ike Powell, 2002



Thank you



Next Recovery-Oriented Practice Webinar

Date: Thursday, June 21, 2016 at 1:00pm to 2:30pm ET

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