



CoC Work Group – Agenda

Wed. Aug 2, 2017 at 9:30AM-11:00AM

LifeWorks

3700 S. 1st Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room

Chair: Liz Baker, Integral Care

- 9:30-9:35 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION Liz Baker, Chair
- 9:35-9:50 General Updates Staff
- Workgroup Updates
 - PIT Committee – No meeting in July, cancelled because of the NAEH Conference, CoC NOFA being released, and YHDP Plan deadline to HUD
 - HMIS Committee – Reviewed System Performance Measure year-to-year comparison in depth. Reviewed an upcoming change to PSH and RRH HMIS Data Standards (effective October 2017). ECHO will do more training on the data standards changes as more information becomes available from HUD and as the implementation date gets closer.
- 9:50-11:00 HUD Continuum of Care Staff
- Quarterly Presentation of FY17 NOFA
 - NOFA Application is due on September 29, 2017 to HUD.
 - On July 20, 2017 – ECHO held the CoC Bidders Conference. NP reviewed this information with the CoC Workgroup.
 - HUD is putting a large emphasis on project reallocation for continuous improvement of projects and services offered with CoC Funds. As of now, no one is voluntarily reallocating their funding.
 - Bonus funding is 6% of PPRN = Up to \$343,760
 - Bidders Conference materials are posted on the ECHO website:
<http://www.austinecho.org/coalition-information/>
 - Reviewed definition of Dedicated Plus in PSH.
 - Question from Sandra Chavez – How far back does the eligibility go? What is the statute of limitations around how long between someone exiting to the streets from PSH and still being eligible for Dedicated Plus? We need clarification from HUD on the parameters of Dedicated Plus.
 - **ECHO will submit an AAQ to ask this question.**
 - Christa Noland had a question about PSH Family eligibility when the family's children turn 18 and move out. Does this make the family ineligible to stay in the PSH program?
 - **ECHO will recommend to CN to submit an AAQ to HUD since this is project-specific.**
 - Liz Baker asked if the Coordinated Entry System should be prioritizing people who have failed out of PSH to be prioritized again for another PSH project.
 - **Refer this question to the Coordinated Entry Team.**
 - WorkGroup recommended looking at the Performance Scorecards and if the metrics should be different between Project Types. Specifically, should the PH placement metric be lower for RRH projects compared to PSH projects?
 - **ECHO took notes on the conversation and will research the question above.** Proposed changes will be mocked up and presented back to this group for approval. Timeline will be after the NOFA.
 - Scorecard changes to consider:

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- RRH housing success rate compared to PSH housing success rate.
- Add other System Performance Measures to the Scorecard, specifically the retention of housing after exit.
- Swap out the data quality reports on the Scorecard for the new HUD data quality reports.
- NP showed WG where to find the NOFA Project Detailed Instructions:
- HUD Exchange → FY 17 CoC Program Competition → Project Applicants → “Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions and Instructional Guide” → PDF documents are within this link.
- Organizational Code of Conduct – Must be HUD approved. Make sure your Code of Conduct complies with 2 CFR part 200 and is on file with HUD.
 - **NP will send the Code of Conduct information to group.**
- Match letters must be signed between 5/1/2017-9/28/2017.
- Timeline for new and renewal applications was reviewed from Bidders Conference. All information is found in the Bidders Conference materials posted on the ECHO website.
- NOFA Summary Doc with Timeline
 - Sam Woollard reviewed the NOFA Summary and timeline with the WorkGroup.
 - Tier 1 = 94% of ARD
 - Tier 2 = 6% of ARD (\$331,262) + Bonus funding (\$343,760) = \$675,022
 - Membership Council will review IRT ranking recommendations and make the final priority ranking for Tier 1 and Tier 2.
 - SW reviewed the materials that HUD will review at the project-level; pass/fail review process.
 - There is a strong emphasis on reallocation in this NOFA. SW encouraged reallocation. Needs to be 20% of ARD for full points.
 - Commitment to Housing First and CoC Project Ranking (collaborative application) is how HUD will score projects in Tier 2.
- Key Changes
 - Opening Doors is being revised. HUD did not tie the goals of ending chronic and family homelessness to specific years in this NOFA, as they have done in the past.
 - Expansion projects are eligible for funding this year.
 - New categories – Addressing needs of LGBT community.
 - Increased emphasis on Street Outreach and ensuring strong outreach efforts locally.
 - Emphasis on Housing First (HF) and at least 75% of project applicants must be HF for CoC to receive full points.
 - Severity of needs and performance is highlighted in the NOFA.
 - Emphasis on effectively counting youth in the PIT Count.
 - Reviewed Sys PMs and current performance; amount of points assigned to each measure were reviewed. Need to continue locally to put more emphasis on how to make improvements here.
- System Performance Measure Questions
 - **Katy M. will email the WorkGroup individually for feedback on the Sys PM narratives.**

10:58-11:05 Peer Sharing-Sage APR Submissions

Dylan Shubitz

- Dylan shared experience using the new APR and Sage. Had to go back and enter data for clients that were entered in program before some data elements were required. Programs that have been operating for a long time should look at this and anticipate having to fill in some blanks. Duplicate records for income and disabilities were a problem. Annual Assessments had errors because of

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conflicting income and disability records. Let ECHO know if there are conflicting records that you cannot resolve yourself.

NEXT MEETING: September 6, 2017 9:30-11am, LifeWorks, 3700 S. 1st Street

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