**OHIO BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE**

**CoC Board Meeting**

**MEETING INFORMATION**

**Date:** Monday, September 26, 2016

**Time:** 10:00am

**Location:** Webinar and conference call

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| **Region 1** | Absent | **Region 7** | Absent | **Region 13** | Absent |
| **Region 2** | Ragan Claypool | **Region 8** | Dawn Rauch | **Region 14** | Debbie Groves |
| **Region 3** | Vicky Kane | **Region 9** | Deb Tegtmeyer | **Region 15** | Absent |
| **Region 4** | Absent | **Region 10** | Absent | **Region 16** | Absent |
| **Region 5** | Tammy Weaver | **Region 11** | Chuck Bullick | **Region 17** | Absent |
| **Region 6** | Marti Grimm | **Region 12** | Marva Cowen | **Region 18** | Cindy Anderson |
| **At – Large VA** | Absent | **At-Large Youth Provider** | Absent | **At-Large CSH** | Katie Kitchen |
| **At – Large DV** | Sarah Masek | **At-Large OHFA** | Absent | **At – Large OCCH** | Beth Long |
| **At-Large Mental Health** | Absent |  |  |  |  |
| **ODSA**  | Scott Gary, Maura Klein | **ODMHAS** | Absent |
| **COHHIO** | Erica Mulryan, Barbara Miller, Cynthia Tindongan, Chloe Greene |

**MEETING NOTES**

1. **Ohio BoSCoC Coordinated Entry Work Update**
	* Cynthia Tindongan and Chloe Greene provided an update on the Coordinated Entry Systems Standards and the work with pilot region 13:
		+ Region 13:
			- Cynthia and Chloe have been meeting with region providers for the last couple of months and are about halfway through the process of assisting them in developing their coordinated entry process.
			- The group is currently going through each systems standard and determining how to develop policies and procedures that both meet the requirements and work for their region. The region is also providing feedback on the standards to CE staff.
	* Systems Standards document:
		+ The document consists of governance, definitions, options for types of CE plan regions can choose to adopt, list of components of a region’s CE plan, etc.
		+ The appendix has been removed from this version temporarily until screening and assessment tools are developed.
		+ Ragan Claypool (Region 2) stated that she shared the document at the last region meeting and they had the following comments:
			- The group asked if there would be an option for creating assessment tools in an electronic fillable form. CE staff agreed to do this.
			- Some of their non-HMIS participating agencies (i.e., DV providers) expressed concern about confidentiality of client information. CE staff said that the normal confidentiality procedures in place for DV providers would remain in place and that at this point we don’t foresee needing to take additional measures.
		+ Sarah Masek asked that CE staff provide information on the timeline for finishing work with the pilot region, rolling out the standards to the entire CoC, the Board’s role in the process, etc.
	* Erica had planned to seek Board approval of the Coordinated Entry Systems Standards at this meeting but there weren’t enough attendees to establish a quorum. Therefore, she will instead request a vote by email.
2. **Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program**
	* + HUD has issued a NOFA for CoC’s to develop projects designed to end youth homelessness.
			- 10 communities will be selected, 4 of which will be rural
			- Projects will be awarded $1-15 million.
		+ The Steering Committee has recommended that the CoC submit an application for 1-2 projects (1 rural, 1 non-rural)
		+ An ad-hoc workgroup has formed to develop and submit the application: at this point the group has discussed requirements of the NOFA and communities that might be a good fit for the project/s.
		+ CoC staff will present a webinar on September 26 to discuss the NOFA and request that interested communities submit a Regional Interest Form to COHHIO by October 10, 2016.
3. **Increasing BoSCoC HMIS Participation (bed coverage)**
	* HMIS participation by all BoSCoC homeless service providers is important because it gives us a better picture of homelessness throughout the BoSCoC, it assists us in coordinating services for clients, and it meets HUD’s expectation that all homeless service providers in the CoC participate in HMIS. The recent work with homeless veterans has emphasized the difficulty in serving clients when some providers do not enter data into HMIS.
	* Currently, the CoC has full participation of CoC- and state-funded projects (these projects are required to enter into HMIS) and most PSH projects.Twenty percent of the CoC’s total emergency shelter system is not participating in HMIS.
	* The CoC has previously asked non-participating agencies to enter data into HMIS with limited success and is therefore reaching out to them again.
4. **Ending Veteran Homelessness Update**
	* The BoSCoC continues to perform well on the federal criteria and benchmarks.
	* A TA provider from Abt Associates met with the veterans workgroup on September 22, 2016 to discuss progress to date, recommend refinements to procedures and written policies, and to discuss the struggle to achieve the benchmark measuring veterans entering the homeless system vs. those exiting to permanent housing.
	* We will continue to monitor the data, revise policies and procedures where necessary, and consider submitting a claim (possibly without meeting all the benchmarks).
5. **Ending Chronic Homelessness Update**
	* The chronic homelessness workgroup will hold its second meeting on September 27, 2016.
	* The work of this group will be modeled after the work performed by the veterans workgroup.
6. **Ohio BoSCoC Board and Workgroup Membership Process**
	* Erica will contact the Board members whose terms expire at the end of 2016. She reminded the group that it is each region’s responsibility to select and nominate a member to serve on the BoSCoC Board.
7. **Ohio BoSCoC Membership Meeting**
	* The CoC will hold its second all-member meeting on November 9, 2016 at 10:00 via webinar.

**NEXT MEETING**

**Date:** November 28, 2016

**Time:** 10:00am

**Location:** Webinar/conference call