CoC Membership Meeting
Ohio Balance of State Continuum of Care
April 3, 2020

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Purpose of CoC Membership Meetings

- HUD Requirement
- Opportunity to provide updates outside of stand-alone webinar

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COVID-19 General Updates

- COHHIO BoS COVID-19 Resource Page:
  - [https://cohhio.org/bos/covid19/](https://cohhio.org/bos/covid19/)
  - COVID-19 Preparedness for Ohio BoS/CoC Homeless Assistance Providers Webinar & FAQ
  - Coronavirus Screening Tool
  - Congregate Facilities Preparedness Checklist
  - ODH Checklist for Homeless Shelters
  - Guidance for People Who Use Substances

COVID-19 General Updates

- National COVID-19 Resource Links:
  - CDC Guidance for Homeless Service Providers:
  - USICH Coronavirus Resources:
    - [https://www.usich.gov/covid-19](https://www.usich.gov/covid-19)
  - HUD COVID-19 Community Planning and Preparedness
    - [https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/disaeases/#covid-19 community planning and preparedness](https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/disaeases/#covid-19 community planning and preparedness)
  - NAEH Coronavirus and Homelessness Resources:
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Isolation and Quarantine Planning

• Definitions
  • Quarantine
    - For people or groups who don’t have symptoms but were exposed
    - Quarantine keeps these people away from others so they don’t unknowingly infect others
  • Isolation
    - For those who are already sick, but do not require hospitalization
    - Isolation keeps infected people away from healthy people to prevent spreading

• I/Q Needs
  • Units should be OFFSITE of congregate facilities
  • Staffing
  • Supplies
  • Operating Procedures
  • Support Services
  • Funding Sources

• Staffing
  • 24/7 staff presence
  • mix of hotel staff and provider staff
  • Designate onsite service provider
  • Train staff on all COVID-19 protocols
  • Medical personnel should advise on protocols
Isolation and Quarantine Planning

• Equipment and Supplies
  • Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
  • Informational/educational materials for staff, volunteers, and client awareness about COVID-19, cough etiquette, and appropriate handwashing
  • Personal cleaning supplies for each room
  • Tissues, plastic bags for the proper disposal of used tissues
  • Weekly cleaning and disinfecting of rooms plus at turnover
  • Laundry services for client's personal laundry and bedding

• Facility Operations
  • Provide individual meals with disposable utensils (knock/drop off)
  • If refrigerators provided in rooms, can provide food for meal prep
  • Designated smoking areas and enforce social distancing
  • No visitors onsite
  • Provide for safe needle disposal
  • Processes for notifying of new room vacancies, accepting referrals, and orienting new clients to facility, protocols, and services

• Support Services
  • Monitor all clients at least daily and proactively support clients to support social distancing
  • Facilitate access to telehealth (medical and behavioral health)
  • Develop protocols for people who may be experiencing mental health crises or complications related to substance use disorders, including symptoms and complications of withdrawal
  • Arrange for and assist with refilling prescriptions, including how to support individuals who need access to daily medications such as methadone/suboxone/vivitrol
  • Provide dedicated case management (onsite or offsite) to ensure human services and healthcare needs are met as well as plan for exit from the hotel/motel setting to stable housing or return to congregate shelter
  • Track services in HMIS
    • Treat like emergency shelter overflow
Isolation and Quarantine Planning

• Additional Considerations
  • Transportation
    • How will people be transported to I/Q units?
    • Is there a medical transportation option?
    • Will only those testing positive for COVID-19 qualify for medical transport?
  • Local public health department should have ability and resources to provide this
    • If you have challenges coordinating with local public health, let CoC team know

Isolation and Quarantine Planning

• Funding Sources
  • State funding
    • HCIP shelter grant funding
    • OHFA COVID-19 Emergency Housing Assistance Program
  • Federal funding
    • FEMA
    • ESG
  • Private funding
    • local foundations
    • local governments
    • Churches
    • COHHIO Pandemic Fund – www.cohhio.org

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One-Eighty Isolation/Quarantine Response

OneEighty
Helping people change direction.
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**Northwest Ohio CAC Isolation/Quarantine Response**

**HUD Waiver Availability**

- April 1, 2020 - HUD issued memorandum providing regulatory waivers of certain CoC, ESG, HOPWA, and Consolidated Plan requirements
- Recipients wishing to utilize any of the waivers should notify their local CPD Field Office via email of their intent to utilize a specific waiver
- This notification should occur **two days** before a recipient anticipates using the waiver
- If you are unsure of who to contact, please reference this link for CPD Field Office email addresses:
HUD Waiver Availability

Who Applies for Waiver
- Grant recipients apply for CoC Program waivers
- ODSA applies for ESG Program waivers for HCRP projects

CoC Program Requirement | Typical Requirement | Waiver
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1. FMR for Individual Units and Leasing Cost | Rent may not exceed FMR | Rent can exceed FMR, but still must be rent-reasonable
2. Disability Documentation for PSH | Intake worker observations must be accompanied with confirmed evidence within 45 days | Written self-certification from client is acceptable for next 6 months
3. Limit on Eligible Housing Search & Counseling Services | Payment of rental and utility arrears is not included as eligible cost | Allows recipients and sub-recipients to pay for up to 6 months of rental and utility arrears
4. PH RRH Monthly Case Management | Must require program participants to meet with case managers at least monthly | Monthly case management is waived for the next 2 months
5. HQS – Initial Physical Unit Inspection | A physical unit inspection is required to assure unit meets HQS | Physical inspection does not have to take place as long as the unit is visually inspected using technology, and there is a written policy to physically inspect the unit within 3 months after health officials determine special measures are no longer necessary
6. HQS – Re-Inspection of Units | Units must be inspected at least annually to ensure they meet HQS | Annual re-inspections are waived for 1 year
7. One-Year Lease Requirement | One-year leases must be for a term of at least one year that is renewable and terminable for cause | One-year requirement is waived for 6 months, so long as the initial lease term is for more than one month

Consolidated Plan Requirement | Typical Requirement | Waiver
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8. Citizen Participation Public Comment Period for Consolidated Plan Amendment | 30-day Public Comment Period | 30-day comment period is waived, provided no less than 5 days are provided
9. Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment | Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment | Grantees determine what constitutes reasonable notice and opportunity to comment given their circumstances
HUD Waiver Availability

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<td>10. HMIS Lead Activities</td>
<td>HMIS funds may be used to pay costs of managing and operating HMIS, provided the recipient is the HMIS Lead.</td>
<td>The recipient does not have to be the HMIS Lead.</td>
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<td>11. Re-evaluation for Homelessness Prevention Assistance</td>
<td>Re-evaluation of each participant eligibility must occur every 3 months.</td>
<td>Re-evaluation can occur once every 6 months.</td>
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<td>12. Housing Stability Case Management</td>
<td>Participants must meet with case manager at least once per month.</td>
<td>Monthly case management is not required for next two months.</td>
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<td>13. Restriction of Rental Assistance to Units with Rent at or Below FMR</td>
<td>Rent needs to be at or below FMR.</td>
<td>FMR restriction is waived, so long as unit still meets rent reasonableness.</td>
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<td>HIC and PIT Submission</td>
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<td>CoC Competition</td>
<td>TBD – HUD is still finalizing Competition Opening and Closing Dates for 2020</td>
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<td>2020 Census Efforts</td>
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