YHDP in HMIS

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project in the Homeless Management Information System
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HMIS Background

What is HMIS?

HMIS “is a locally administered data system used to record and analyze client, service and housing data for individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness”

(HMIS Data Standards Data Dictionary v. 1.3, p. 1)
HMIS Background
Telling the Story

High quality HMIS data allows us to capture the narrative of youth and young adults (YYA) experiencing homelessness, from housing crisis through referral, placement, services and exit to permanent housing.
HMIS Background

Using HMIS for Project Improvement

HMIS data allows for continuous quality improvement at the local, regional, Continuum of Care (CoC), and national level.
Using HMIS for Local Project Improvement

Locally, you can consider the following to determine how much your program is helping the youth you serve:

- time to refer
- length of stay
- services provided
- goals completed
- positive change in assessment data
- exit destinations
Using HMIS for Regional Coordination Improvement

Regionally you can look at participation and movement through the coordinated entry (CE) process to determine how effectively you are moving youth through the homeless services system.
Using HMIS Data for CoC System Improvement

The Ohio Balance of State CoC has a **Performance Management Plan** that evaluates the functioning of the BoS homeless services system as a whole.
Using HMIS for National Youth Programming Improvement

Nationally HMIS data is being used for Housing and Urban Development (HUD)’s annual Point In Time (PIT) count, as well as the A Way Home America (AWHA) dashboard.
Unsheltered Household Path through Coordinated Entry

Access Point Enters Household into Unsheltered

Coordinated Entry Team meets

PSH and RRH Prioritization Report shows household

Household is Prioritized for Permanent Housing

Access Point Creates a Referral to Permanent Housing project (RRH or PSH)

Permanent Housing project Enters Household into HMIS

Household Moves into Permanent Housing

Household gets Housing Move-In Date in the Permanent Housing project

Household is Exited from Unsheltered Provider
Sheltered Household Path through Coordinated Entry

Access Point Enters Household into Shelter

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Review of HMIS Workflow:

• Search and create **Client and Household**

• Enter **Release of Information** (ROI)

• Enter **client** into project (YHDP SSO, BCPesap) **OR refer client** to another project (BCPp, Crisis TH, TH)

• AP referrals to shelter are picked up by the shelter provider
Review of HMIS Workflow:

- Enter TAY VI-SPDAT
- Refer client to permanent housing (PH)
- PH provider picks up Referral
- PH provider enters client into their project
- Client exited from Unsheltered - OUTREACH or shelter provider when they move in to permanent housing
- Client exits permanent housing
HMIS Demo - YHDP Specific

The YHDP assessment was created using the RHY BCPesap assessment as a base, then removing unnecessary elements and adding additional elements.
HMIS Demo - YHDP Specific

The RHY specific elements used by YHDP projects include:

• Sexual Orientation
• Last Grade Completed
• School Status
• Employed?
• General Health Status
• Dental Health Status
• Mental Health Status
• Safe and Appropriate Exit
HMIS Demo - YHDP Specific

- Housing Move-in Date was added to the YHDP assessment for the RRH project
- Outreach and Housing Status were added to the YHDP assessment for the SSO project
YHDP projects will use the **Case Plans** feature in ServicePoint to track progress on goals.
HMIS Demo - YHDP Specific

Sojourners staff will use the file attachment feature to upload scanned copies of all pertinent documentation.
YHDP projects will document all interactions with clients using the **Service Transactions** feature
HMIS Demo - Reporting

• All HMIS Users should follow the Data Quality Standards

• These standards outline basic reporting guidelines for HMIS data quality

• We anticipate the release of a YHDP-specific Annual Performance Report (APR). In the interim, projects should run the CoC-APR 2018 report
Questions?
HMIS Resources

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