

Ohio Balance of State Continuum of Care FY2020 CoC Competition Renewal Project Evaluation Updates

Purpose of this Listserv Message

This message provides an update about the renewal project evaluation process for CoC Program funded projects.

Target Audience

Ohio BoSCoC projects funded by the CoC Program.

Background Information

Every year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides funding for homeless programs through its Continuum of Care (CoC) Program. The 80 counties within the Ohio BoSCoC access these funds by completing a consolidated annual CoC application; the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) and the Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio (COHHIO) submit the application on behalf of the Ohio BoSCoC.

Renewal Project Evaluation Updates

The CoC team released final project evaluation results and the preliminary ranked list of Ohio BoSCoC renewal CoC projects on June 26, 2020. Since then, the CoC and HMIS teams have determined there is an error in the part of the project evaluation report that calculates performance in the category for exits to and retention of permanent housing. This is a critical error that is impacting project evaluation scores for several renewal projects.

Because of this error, the CoC will correct the project evaluation reports and release corrected preliminary project evaluation data. We anticipate that it will take up to 2 weeks to make the corrections and release the updated reports and data.

CoC Competition Timeline Updates

The CoC team does not yet know the exact date on which the updated project evaluation data will be available, although we anticipate it will be within 2 weeks. Once the updated data is ready, the following activities in the CoC Competition Timeline will be updated, official dates to be determined:

- Beginning July 6th, the Project Evaluation report will no longer reflect the June 19th data, but will continue to show updated data in HMIS.
- Within the next two weeks, the report logic will be corrected and stabilized. Once that date is known, we will announce it
- Time to correct HMIS data
 - Grantees will be given at least one week after we announce that the Project Evaluation report is corrected to make corrections to HMIS data
 - The final date to make corrections to HMIS data for project evaluation purposes is the day before the Final Project Evaluation Data is pulled from HMIS
- Final Project Evaluation Data pulled from HMIS and available in R minor elevated and R minor (1 – 2 weeks after release of preliminary project evaluation data)
 - Any updates to HMIS data made on this day or after will not be reflected in the final project evaluation data and will not be considered in project ranking
- Submission of Appeals
 - Grantees will have at least one week after the release of the Final Project Evaluation data to submit appeals, if needed

Please note, projects should review their data quality in R minor elevated on a frequent basis and make corrections in HMIS as needed. Reviewing that data and making needed corrections now will help ensure that project evaluation scores are not negatively impacted by poor data quality.

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