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CoC Membership Meeting

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Purpose of CoC Membership Meetings

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

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HUD's Equal Access Rule

- Three total rules focused on ensuring fair and equal access to housing for all Americans, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, non conformance with gender stereotypes, marital status.
  - https://www.hud.gov/LGBT_resources

LGBT Equal Access to HUD Programs

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development enforces regulations that ensure its programs are open to all eligible individuals regardless of actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity.

www.hud.gov/lgbthousingdiscrimination

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HUD's Equal Access Rule

- The first rule, issued February 3, 2012, is the "Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity"
  - Determination of eligibility for housing assisted by HUD should be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status

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HUD's Equal Access Rule

- The second rule, issued September 21, 2016, is the "Equal Access in Accordance with an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs Rule"
  - Providers who operate single-sex shelters using funds awarded through CPD are required to provide all individuals, including transgender individuals and other individuals who do not identify with the sex they were assigned at birth, with equal access to programs and services without being subjected to intrusive questions or documentation.

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HUD's Equal Access Rule

- The third rule, issued November 17, 2016, is the "Equal Access to Housing in HUD's Native American and Native Hawaiian Programs – Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity"
  - Applies to HUD's Native American and Native Hawaiian Programs

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HMIS Update

- Access to ServicePoint officially ended 08/31/2021.

- Custom data migration is still in progress. Assessments, services, notes and files still have not migrated.

- Clarity training resources are available at https://cohhio.org/boscoc/hmis/ and https://cohhio.litmos.com/ .

- HMIS Office Hours are Tuesdays, September 7 and 14 from 1P-4P at https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/488830461

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2022 CoC Competition

- CoC Competition opened August 18, 2021
- Deadline to submit November 16, 2021
- $2.656 billion available in FY2021
  - Over 400 million more than 2019
  - $77 million for non-competitive YHDP
  - $102 for DV Bonus projects

- FY2021 CoC Competition Training Webinar
  - Friday, September 3rd @ 10am
  - Register at:

  https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4360247917598113550

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YHDP

- YHDP Round 4 application was submitted on July 30th
- One application was submitted by COHHIO on behalf of the entire BoS (remaining 70 counties without existing YHDP)
- Anticipated award announcement is the end of September/early October

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YHDP

- **If awarded**, there will be 6-9 months (April/May 2022) of planning which includes:
  - Drafting a BoS Coordinated Community Plan (CCP)
  - Developing a BoS Youth Action Board (YAB)
  - Identifying potential projects needed to meet BoS youth homelessness needs
- After planning it's anticipated a process (likely RFP) will be established for interested regions/communities to apply for funds to operate youth dedicated projects
  - Several weeks of application review to select awardees within the BoS
- Selected regions/communities are anticipated to begin YHDP implementation in the fall/winter of 2022

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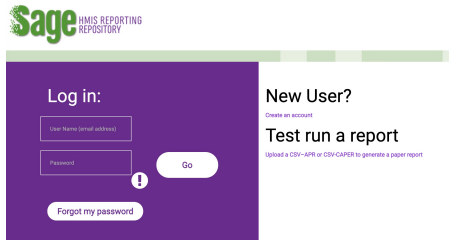- Virtual CoC Program Monitoring
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General Program Reminders

Annual Performance Report (APR):
- Must be submitted in Sage no more than 90 days after grant end date

Sage HMIS REPORTING REPOSITORY

Log in:

Create an account

User Name (email address)

Password

Forgot my password

New User?

Test run a report

Upload a CSV~APR or CSV-CAPER to generate a paper report

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General Program Reminders

ESG-CV Notice Highlights:
- Funds are not subject to match requirements
- New Eligible Activities:
  - Sponsor based rental assistance
  - Renter's Insurance
  - Laundry Service
  - PPE
  - Vaccine Incentives
  - Expanded Use of Cell Phones and Internet
- Can provide rental assistance above FMR
- 60 days of housing stability case management
- Removes 24 month limit on services and rental assistance
- Program participant must not have annual income that exceeds Very Low-Income limit for the area (not 30% AMI)

ESG-CV Notice Webinar from 7/29/21

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General Program Reminders

ESG-CV Landlord Incentives:
- Signing bonus equal to up to 2 months of rent
- Security deposit equal to up to 3 months of rent
- Paying costs to repair damages incurred by participant while still residing in the unit
- Paying costs of extra cleaning or maintenance

Landlord Engagement:
- Utilize ESG-CV notice and additional funding to work with landlords and help clients obtain housing
- Work to build rapport with landlords
  - Hold landlord engagement events
  - Create fliers or have individual conversations

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General Program Reminders

ESG-CV Funding Availability
- The CARES Act made a substantial amount of ESG-CV funding available to grantees
- If you have expended all of your ESG-CV funds, please reach out to ODOD to request more funding

EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE

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General Program Reminders

Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA)

- Eligibility:
  - Experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardship
  - Demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability
    - "any other evidence of risk, as determined by the grantee"
  - Households with low income
- Eligible Costs:
  - Rent and utilities
  - Other housing expenses
    - Relocation
    - Hotel/motel
    - Internet, etc
  - Housing Stability services
    - Eviction diversion
    - Mediation
    - Legal services
    - Housing navigation

Behind on rent and utilities* due to COVID-19?
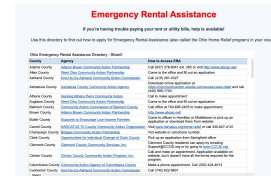------
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General Program Reminders

Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA)

- To access ERA funding, contact local Community Action Agency (CAA):
  - https://oacaa.org/
  - https://cohhio.org/
- COHHIO Training on ERA: https://register.gotowebinar.com/recording/26513726508395013 18

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Virtual CoC Program Monitoring

- CoC funded program monitoring will resume in September
- Purpose of monitoring:
  - Ensure CoC funded programs are compliant with HUD regulations
  - Also to ensure that the most vulnerable in our communities seeking assistance are receiving the best services possible

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Virtual CoC Program Monitoring

- Monitoring will occur virtually
  - Monitor will reach out to providers to schedule date and request necessary files
  - Program participant will submit necessary documents and files prior to scheduled monitoring start date
  - Initial GoToMeeting will be scheduled with participants
  - Monitor will review documents and files remotely within 48 hours
  - Monitor will reach back out to participants to schedule exit interview
  - Follow-up monitoring letter will be emailed within 30 days of virtual monitoring completion

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Virtual CoC Program Monitoring

- Updates to Scoring Tool:
  - Agency Review tab
    - 1 point question regarding exits to positive housing destination
    - 1 point regarding data quality issues in HMIS
  - New "Financials" tab
  - Client File Review tab
    - Question regarding proof of ID was removed
    - and replaced with question ensuring the unit for each client does not exceed FMR

POLICIES

PROCEDURE

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Virtual CoC Program Monitoring

- Required Documents & Method of Submission:

Document:	Submission Method:
Agency Policies & Procedure	Email to hannahbasting@cohhio.org
HMIS Client IDs	Email to hannahbasting@cohhio.org
Intake packet for 2 clients	Upload to "Files" tab of client file in Clarity
Lease Agreement	Upload to "Files" tab of client file in Clarity
Financial Documentation	Email or upload to Clarity

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Virtual CoC Program Monitoring

- CoC Monitoring Plan, Scoring Tool, and Kickoff Webinar can be found at:
  https://cohhio.org/boscoc/performance-and-monitoring/

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  Ohio BoSCoC Monitoring Scoring Tool

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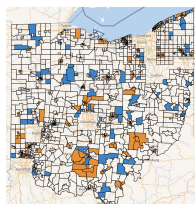
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2022 Point-in-Time Count

Sampling Approach   Vs.   Full census count

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