



Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

BUTTE COUNTYWIDE HOMELESS CONTINUUM OF CARE HMIS/CES COMBINED COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**MONDAY, May 9, 2022 at 1pm-3pm
Butte County Employment and Social Services – Virtual Zoom Meeting**

COMMITTEEMEMBERS PRESENT:

Stephan Spirk, CAA
Melissa Jamison, United Way
Carolina Cruz, Catalyst
Debbie Villasenor, Housing Consultant
Susan Wilson, Safe Space
Angie Little, HACB
Christy Taylan, Caminar
Elisa Rawlinson, DESS
Sarah Frohock, BCDBH
Nancy Jorth, Youth for Change

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Kayla Davis, DESS H&H
Kaitlyn-Storm Sherrill, DESS H&H
Erickson Montes, DESS Systems
Nick Fashing, DESS Adult Services
Lorena Reed, BCDBH
Tracey Gillihan, 211
Javi Pinedo, HACB
Samantha Taylor, Anthem
Erin Murray, DESS H&H
Isabel Alaniz-Alvarado, DESS H&H
Liz Vega, Jesus Center

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Keesha Hills, OSCIA
Shelly Watson, Jesus Center
Josiah Vasey, Butte 211
Rick Jackson, BCDBH
Cynthia Pesheck, Ampla
Deborah Taylor, Veteran's Administration
Sara Sweaney, Nation's Finest
Annie Terry, Oroville Rescue Mission
Ashley Husted, True North Housing Alliance
Amanda Gaylord, CHAT

Recording: Erin Spasbo, DESS H&H

First Chairperson: Elisa Rawlinson, DESS H&H
Second Chairperson: Sarah Frohock, BCDBH

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Elisa Rawlinson at 1:02 P.M.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - ACTION:** The minutes for the HMIS/CES Committee Meetings for April 11, 2022, were approved with no corrections.

Motion to approve: Angie Little, HACB

Seconded: Christy Taylan, Caminar

3. **AGENCY UPDATES:** There were no introductions or updates at this meeting.
4. **HMIS/CES Training/Office Hours: Current Living Situation:** E. Rawlinson stated that the Current Living Assessment (CLS) assessment should be recorded upon enrollment of Coordinated Entry (CE), clients' first assessment date should match their project start date. The purpose of the assessment is to document the client's current living situation, what services and projects they are enrolled in and record which people they are in contact with.

Question: What is the frequency we need to be taking these assessments?

Answer: E. Rawlinson: When you are logged into a client's HMIS case, check their CLS. CLS Must be is updated every 90 days, and VI-SPDAT, every 6 months.

Question: Why are the CLS assessments important?

Answer: E. Rawlinson: It is designed to capture information on where is person is staying at a point in time. It helps our community track where people are and the progress they make. It is also a requirement of HUD.

Don't go into an old assessment and update a CLS assessment, create a new one every time. The assessment is required for all Heads of Households and adults, E. Rawlinson clarified that a household is anyone that is going to be living in that future household within 6 months of the move-in date. The Agenda packet included the 3 projects (including CE) that are currently requiring the CLS assessment: PATH-funded projects (all project types), ESG-funded Night-by-Night Emergency Shelters, and ESG-funded Street Outreach. The CLS needs to be addressed, it is a very quick and easy assessment and is a HUD requirement.

5. **Coordinated Entry Events (coming soon):** The agenda packet includes "HUD's New Coordinated Entry Data Elements". This includes information on why Coordinated Data Entry is important, The Data Entry Collection approach for HUD, and an Overview of New Data Elements. The purpose of CE is to capture when referrals and placements occur. In order to align with HUD priorities, the VI-SPDAT is being revised in order to rank by

clients' needs and barriers instead of ranking the subpopulations. The priority point system in CE is also changing to accommodate the highest needs/highest barriers rather than the current subpopulations. The current process is giving priority points that are higher than anybody can score on the VI-SPDAT and those points are stacking. Everyone currently at the top of our CE list is chronically homeless, a household with children, and unaccompanied homeless youth because that is a 65 priority point system. The issue is that they don't necessarily qualify for the different programs that we have available in Butte County. The assessment of what makes a high barrier, or a high need will also be updated. There will also be the addition of the following community queues- 1: the main CE list, 2: individuals that qualify for permanent supportive housing, 3: individuals that qualify for transitional housing and 4: for individuals who are interested in shared housing. This should equalize scores as well as put a referral system in place.

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEXT MEETING:** *The next HMIS/CES Committee Meeting will be on Monday, June 6, 2022; 1:00-3:00 p.m. Meet virtually.*
7. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:59 P.M.