

## COORDINATED ENTRY PRIORITIZATION - Chronically Homeless PSH and Chronically Homeless

### COORDINATED ENTRY: PRIORITIZATION POLICY

The Racine Continuum of Care for the City and County of Racine revises the current prioritization policy to conform with HUD Notice CPD 16-11 effective September 1, 2016.

#### COORDINATED ENTRY

All projects receiving CoC or ESG funds are required to comply with this policy. The prioritization list is compiled and maintained in Wisconsin Service Point (WISP). A non-WISP prioritization list will be maintained for survivors of domestic violence that will be coordinated with the WISP prioritization list when there is a housing opening.

1. Available units/beds must be reported to the CoC within 48 hours of availability.
2. Chronically homeless will be prioritized using the VI-SPDAT to measure severity of service needs and the longest history of homelessness.
3. Units/beds dedicated for chronically homeless will only be referred chronically homeless households with documentation of a disabling condition and length of homelessness meeting the chronically homeless definition.
4. Non-dedicated PSH units/beds must be used to prioritize the chronically homeless.
5. If a PSH unit is not available, but RRH units are available, the RRH unit should be utilized to house a chronically homeless household pending an available PSH unit.
6. Housing openings must be reported to the CoC within 48 hours.

#### ORDER of PRIORITY

1. All PSH units/beds not dedicated for the chronically homeless shall be prioritized for the chronically homeless.
2. Current project grant agreements will be followed regarding subpopulations.
3. If there are no chronically homeless households eligible for the program, based only on criteria in the current grant agreement, a referral shall be made using the following order of priority designated by HUD Notice CPD -16-11.
  - a. Household has documented homelessness on the streets, shelter or a safehaven for at least 12 months but less than 4 occasions with severe service needs.
  - b. Household has documented homelessness on the streets, shelter or a safehaven for less than 12 months total with severe service needs (by longest length of time homeless).
  - c. Household on streets, in shelter, or in a safehaven without severe service needs (by longest length of time homeless).
  - d. Households coming from transitional housing based on length of time homelessness and severity of service needs.

#### ADDITIONAL POLICY

1. If a non-chronic household is referred to a PSH project, documentation must be maintained in the household case file that there were no chronically homeless households at the time or that there were chronically homeless households but they did not meet the subpopulation designation in the contract between HUD and the project.
2. Projects cannot impose eligibility requirements beyond those specified in the HUD contract, and cannot impose barriers that would deny access to housing.
3. Projects cannot discriminate or otherwise violate Fair Housing, Americans with Disabilities Act, Civil Rights, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, or other applicable Federal, State or local laws.

Priority	Disabling Condition	Current Residence	Total Length of Time Homeless	Severe Service Needs	Episodes Homeless
1	Disabling Condition	Living in a place not meant for habitation, safe haven, or emergency shelter	12 months or more	Severe Service Needs	Less than 4 episodes
2	Disabling Condition	Living in a place not meant for habitation, safe haven, or emergency shelter	--	Severe Service Needs	--
3	Disabling Condition	Living in a place not meant for habitation, safe haven, or emergency shelter	--	Severe Service Needs	--
4	Disabling Condition	Transitional Housing (prior residence was street, ES or SH). Includes those in TH who were fleeing DV prior.	--	--	--

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