

Racine CoC CE Assessment Workgroup Minutes July 14, 2023 11:00 am -12:00pm

Attendees:

Iraida Vazquez (ICA) Teresa Reinders (Racine CoC) Nikki Intine (Burlington TLC) Bob Held Vander Wyst (Legal Action) Matt Perez (Legal Action) Melissa Taggart (HALO) Lori Life (RVM) Melinda Santoyo (CVI) Racine & Milwaukee area

Teresa Welcome - purpose: time to review now that CDC has lifted the status of health pandemic/emergency.

Iraida: - history of what happened during the pandemic. *Resource material*: CoC website and <u>https://endhomelessness.org/blog/moving-beyond-the-vi-spdat-integrating-your-systems-values-into-prioritization/</u>

- 3 assessment tools in Racine that we are looking to review & revise: Housing, Prevention, and Move-on
- Iraida reviewed the CE for Homeless Services Policies & Procedures Addendum to Address COVID-19 Public Health Crisis (<u>https://racinecoc.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/Racine%20CoC%20CES%20PP%20COVID%20addendum_11.12.2020%20with%20Covid %20tables%20TIM_0.pdf</u>)
- Review of the Move-on Initiative Assessment created for the EHV. We were able to get more than 50 vouchers utilized with WHEDA
- The work that needs to be done in our CoC is to try to develop or improve the current move-on assessment.
- VI-SPDAT

Transitioning Youth SPDAT is for 18-24 not parents.

Criticism is about whether or not people who are conducting the assessment may bias the result/client responses.

QUESTION: what about clients self-identifying that they have a disabling or health condition. **Iraida**: If coming up to being pulled into PSH client will need to provide documentation. The homeless preference for Section 8 voucher gets credit for homelessness but lack of disability documentation does not sway the score and take a voucher away from another user who might be eligible and have documentation.

• Iraida presented the WI BoS Assessment Tool - draft version. She opened up discussion as to whether the group may want to approach BOS to collaborate with them to develop one we could also utilize.

- *Question*: What constitutes a Non-Chronic Medical Need? *Answer*: Unsure, would need to ask BOS
- *Question*: Is this all self-report? *Answer*: Yes but remember that documentation would come from whichever resources/services they are referred to and based on that source's determination process requires.
- FEEDBACK
 - Benefit of approaching BOS dual participation for training
 - Questions are reviewed by multiple eyes.
 - BOS has a legal source to review questions asked.
- When to meet again?
 - How often and when:
 - Suggestion bi-weekly for 1 hour with tasks spelled out and if no work we could use 30 minutes as a check-in to keep accountability and spread-out work if difficult.
 - Group decided to meet bi-monthly on Wednesday with next meeting on July 26th 10:30-11:30
 - Iraida will send out a meeting notice.