

Coordinated Entry System Committee Agenda-3/22/19-9:00-10:15

Committee Members Present: Bill Brown, Adam Cheshire, Natasha Garcia, Bill Mendelson, Kay Ruhstaller

Background:

Existing document written by Bill Mendelson & Co.-

Review & Discuss:

- **Technical Assistance Notes on revision of existing policies-** Adam presented the technical assistance notes from the HUD consultants on the existing document for the committee's review.
- **Coordinated Entry System Operations Manual-Ft. Worth/Arlington/Tarrant Co. Continuum of Care -** consensus was to start-over utilizing this model versus editing the existing document with new regulation requirements.

Key Discussion:

1) The committee discussed the current process for homeless/at-risk persons to enter into the homeless assistance system in San Joaquin County. The Homelessness Task Force goal was "no wrong door". Items of discussion included:

-Standardized Intake Form-Providers present believe that all shelters are utilizing a standardized intake form but it was felt it could be expanded to include room for negotiation for situations such as, a 30-day notice of eviction

-Shelters themselves have some sort of assessment-family shelters-VI SPDAT

-How do we avoid duplication of services?

-HMIS-service providers can view past programs & current enrollment. All providers fully participating in HMIS will help

-Whole Person Care is utilizing a care platform called ACT MD-which allows the ability to assign rights to view certain data elements

-Centralized Intake with referral to shelter

-Bottom line-What housing is available?

-Entities providing CoC funded housing: CVLIH; Lutheran Social Services; For Veterans: Catholic Charities or West Care

2) There was discussion re: the CES committee's task, which is creating a document to prioritize homeless individuals who are the most vulnerable for CoC funded programs....permanent supportive versus rapid re-housing.

-Making sure the document is a holistic approach to homeless individuals so that prioritizing the most vulnerable is the outcome versus prioritizing only "housing ready" individuals.

Next Steps: Technical Assistance Meetings for CES committee will be on April 10th and will include a presentation regarding HMIS by BitFocus. Adam will coordinate this meeting-more details to come re: time/place of meeting.

Continue to review the CES Operations Manual from Ft. Worth/Arlington/Tarrant prior to that meeting. Bill Brown will try to convert PDF to a Word Doc.

Next Meeting: TBD after April 10th.