

Coordinated Entry System Committee-Minutes-7/01/19-1:00-2:30 p.m.

Introductions: Committee members present were Bill Brown, Mick Davis (new member), Bill Mendelson, Kay Ruhstaller, Lani Schiff-Ross (new member), Leslie Sena, Latoya Swinney (new member). Committee members absent: Adam Cheshire, Greg Diederich, Natascha Garcia, Derek McGinnis, Debbie Rinaldo.

Review By Section: Coordinated Entry System Operations Manual-SJ Continuum of Care-CA-511-with edits presented by Adam and clarifying questions/feedback from Bill M. ***The committee opted not to do this after discussion.***

-The committee was presented with a set of eight flow charts (attached) documenting the current processes of entry and assessment. This documents that providers complete assessments at multiple points-and enter HMIS data.

-The group confirmed a “No Wrong Door” approach-in other words at this time there will be multiple points of entry versus a Central Intake body.

-Discussion included suggestions for improving coordination, i.e.- a protocol for 211 could result in 211 asking callers who state they are homeless a couple of more questions in order to better guide callers to the most suitable provider or to diversion services.

-Diversion was discussed and the question was raised, “Does more need to be done for diversion?” I.e. it is possible before an individual enters a shelter; more could be done to keep them out of a shelter.

-Leslie shared how CES is working and a diagram from the Fresno Madera CoC-CES (attached). Also attached is the PowerPoint for review.

Other Decisions: needed none.

Next Steps to move forward: The committee decided to go back to the Self-Assessment and review this as a committee at the next meeting to determine what we have in our CES, what is missing and/or what else we want to include. Homework for the next meeting: review the Self-Assessment in advance and be prepared to go through it. (See Self-Assessment Link)

Next Meeting: August 5, 2019-1:00-2:30 p.m.

