Louisiana Balance of State Continuum of Care (LA BOSCOC)
Coordinated Entry Committee Meeting
Agenda

July 14, 2022 ❖ 10:00am-12:00pm

via Google Meet conference

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ATTENDANCE

C. WELCOME

a. Laura Martinez, Start Corporation Director of HUD Compliance, CES Committee Chair

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. 5/12/2022 Minutes

E. CE YOUTH POLICY REVISION

a. At the last committee meeting, the committee approved an amendment to the CES Phase 2 for Youth. The Access Point training for this new process will be 7/15/22 during the Housing Solutions meeting.

F. SPECIAL POPULATION

a. Start Corporation received new project funding for the Start Now PSH project that leverages Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services. MAT is the use of medications in combination with counseling and behavioral therapies, which is effective in the treatment of opioid use disorders (OUD) and can help some people to sustain recovery. The project begins on 9/1/2022.

b. MAT requires that clients meet special criteria, like have an opioid use disorder diagnosis, in addition to PSH criteria. The coordinated entry intake does not assess for substance use disorders in this detail.

c. **Proposal**: create a special population for people who are chronically homeless and who have opioid use disorders.

G. CES EXITS

a. The current policy on CES Exits is outdated and is incongruent with best practices and new HUD guidance. It also does not reflect the process in practice. See CES Policy and Procedures Page 26: CES P&P

b. Project Exit represents the end of a client's participation with CES. The exit date should coincide with the date that the client is no longer considered to be actively seeking crisis or housing assistance from the CoC. Reasons to exit a client can include:

   i. The client has entered a permanent residential project type (e.g., PSH) or is otherwise known to have found permanent housing.
   ii. The client is known to have left the CoC to pursue other assistance or resources.
   iii. The client is deceased.
   iv. No staff working in the CES has been able to locate the client for an "extended length of time".

c. **Proposal**: Define the “extended length of time” as no CLS within the last 90 days.

H. POLICY REVISIONS:

a. To prepare for a CES policy revision, propose that CES committee members interview Access Points using a specified questionnaire. The goal is to understand how Access Points feel about the process, and what works and does not work from their perspective.

b. Draft Questionnaire Linked Here. All committee members are invited to add comments or email Laura M. with feedback.

   i. Deadline for feedback:

c. Timeline for Interviews:

d. Access Point Interviews

Interviewee	Interviewer
Calcasieu Parish Police Jury	
Empower 225	
Family Violence Program of St. Bernard	
IRIS	
Open Health Care Center	
St. VIncent de Paul	
Start- Houma/St. Bernard	
Start-Baton Rouge/Natchitoches	

Volunteers of America	
Youth Oasis	

I. NEXT MEETING

a. date of next meeting October 13, 2022

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