

COC Coordinated Entry Committee

June 22, 2015

In Attendance: Deborah Hennon, Bill Connolly, Amber Crowe, Madra Clay, Devin Cunningham, Vicki Vasile and Allyson Rose

- I. Committee Purpose: The purpose of Coordinated Entry is to connect individuals with housing opportunities and connect them to mainstream resources. HUD wants to see a good community effort put forth to reduce the length of time an individual is homeless.

There are many community assessment tools that are already available that we should consider for use. Examples include: The Alliance Coordinated Assessment Tool kit, Mecklenburg County Assessment and others. Deb will send links to these assessments for the committee to analyze and provide feedback on for the next meeting.

This is a process that will need to be completed quickly: goal is mid-October

DCED is present for support and HUD is willing to assist if needed.

- II. A list of concerns was formed that will need addressed as the committee moves through this process. Concerns identified in this meeting include: Including the DV population while protecting confidentiality, how can we keep this simple and not create additional workloads and getting provider buy in so that data is accurate. Please note: the full list will be available July 8th as this info was gathered before the secretary was assigned 😊
- III. Secretary Duties: Allyson Rose will take minutes when in attendance
- IV. Our Direction/Purpose
 1. Implementation of coordinated entry needs to be uniform
 2. Identify a point of contact from each county in the COC to assist with funneling needed information to the committee.
 3. Request a list of mainstream resources by County
 4. Identify barriers to housing and mainstream resources remembering that we are 20+ counties with multiple programs and program rules i.e.: mental health funding
 5. Keep in mind that all have some type of intake already established
 6. Combine DV/HMIS/211 and many other systems

V. Timeline: Goal is to have the assessment well developed by October for the COC Board Meeting

6/23/15: Deb will send HUD's definition of mainstream resources and links to various assessments for review by the committee

7/10/15: A point of contact will be identified for each county. Deb will request this information at the meeting tomorrow.

7/30/15: Identify barriers to housing and mainstream resources

8/15/15: Hold a COC Community meeting for feedback and collect intake process

9/10/15: Review provided assessment tools

9/30/15: 1st draft complete

V. Committee Meetings- it was agreed that the committee will meet twice per month. Meetings were scheduled through August.

Meeting Schedule:

July 8th @ 1:30pm: Lawrence County Crisis Shelter

Agenda: bring feedback and suggestions from review of assessment tools, and identify barriers to housing and resources

July 20th @ 1:30pm: To be determined

August 3rd @ 1:30pm: To be determined

Agenda: Review all gathered information

August 19th @ 1:30pm: To be determined

Agenda: Plan COC community meeting

VI. The committee agreed to use Wiggin to share information with the committee. Members will be receiving an email invitation from Wiggin shortly to participate.

Respectfully Submitted By: Allyson Rose