Santa Clara County **Community Hotline** Workflow for Prevention and Shelter Providers Training

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#### Introductions





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#### What is the Community Hotline?



#### What is the Community Hotline?

- Countywide hotline for homeless shelter services
- ➤ Call center for persons seeking:
  - Access to shelter placement
  - Transportation to a program location
  - Housing Problem Solving services
  - Coordinated Assessment System access
  - Information and referral services



#### Working with Referrals



#### Working with Referrals

- The Hotline Operator will send referrals in HMIS to homelessness prevention (HP) and emergency housing (EH) providers
- HP & EH providers will do one of the following with referrals:
  - $\circ$  Accept the referral  $\checkmark$
  - Deny the referral X



# Working with Referrals - Accessing a Referral

> Click on the Referrals tab in the top right corner of the screen



#### Click on the Pending tab (if you don't land there by default)





# Working with Referrals - Accepting a Referral

 Locate the client and click the their name; make a note of the program they were referred to



Click on the global "Programs" tab





### Working with Referrals - Accepting a Referral

 In the Programs: Available section, click on the down arrow to the right of the program to which the client was referred (and in which they will be enrolled)

[CHI] Emergency Shelter

Be sure you see the following, as they are indicators that you are enrolling the client in the program to which they were referred



1 pending referral(s). Oldest 1 days.



### Working with Referrals - Accepting a Referral

➢ Click on "Enroll"



Complete the enrollment screen and click "Save & Close"





### Working with Referrals - Denying a Referral

Locate the client and click the "Edit" icon that appears when you  $\succ$ mouse over their name



In the Referral: Edit section, change the Status from "Pending" to  $\succ$ "Denied"

	Status	Denied
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# Working with Referrals - Denying a Referral

- > 4 additional fields will appear
  - Send to Community Queue
  - Denied By Type
  - Denied Reason
  - Denial Information





### Working with Referrals - Denying a Referral

- Send to Community Queue: Select "No"
- Denied By Type: Select "Client" if the client declined placement in your program; select "Provider" if you are declining to place the client in your program
- Denied Reason: Select the appropriate response option
- > Denial Information: Add any information relevant to the denial
- Click "Save Changes"

#### SAVE CHANGES



## Working with Referrals - Denying a Referral

Contact the Hotline Operator to let them know the client's referral has been denied so they can exit the client from the Hotline project





### Demo in HMIS



### Questions



