



Santa Clara HMIS News September 2022

Welcome to the Santa Clara HMIS September 2022 newsletter!

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Announcements

2022 Federal Reports: LSA and System Performance Measures are Approaching!

The 2022 federal reporting season is approaching! Prep for two of HUD's major CoC reports will begin in October: The Longitudinal Systems Analysis (LSA) and System Performance Measures (SPM).

HUD's [Longitudinal Systems Analysis \(LSA\)](#) is a report submitted to HUD annually that includes a complex analysis across key projects participating in the Continuum of Care (CoC) Homelessness Management Information System

(HMIS). The LSA replaced the Annual Homeless Assessment Report's (AHAR) data component in the 2018 reporting year.

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Report Spotlight

Report Spotlight - [[HUDX-225](#)] [HMIS Data Quality](#)

The [[HUDX-225](#)] HMIS Data Quality Report is a HUD report that reviews data quality across a number of HMIS data elements. For this article, an overview of the report is provided. Please refer to the [HMIS Reporting Terminology Glossary](#) for the complete programming specifications. Where necessary, key definitions from the [HMIS Data Dictionary](#) have been included.

- **Missing Data:** Missing data is defined to mean data where the answer is *data not collected*, is null or blank, or where the entire form or table record on which that field resides is completely absent.
- **Latest Project Stay Only:** This report should use each relevant client's latest project stay (i.e., latest program enrollment).

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Spotlight

Coordinate Entry (CE) Workflow Fully Implemented: Do's and Don'ts

After completing the VI-SPDAT, refer clients to the Community Queue (CQ). All veterans and nonveterans that score 4 or higher will be prioritized for housing referral and should be referred. Please note that placement on the queue is not a guarantee of housing referral and referral to the CQ is an important and integral part of the Coordinated Entry process.

There are now two Community Queues.

- **Community Housing Queue**
- **Administration Only/CET**

All clients should be referred to the Community Housing Queue as usual.

DO NOT refer any clients to the Administration Only/CET queue.

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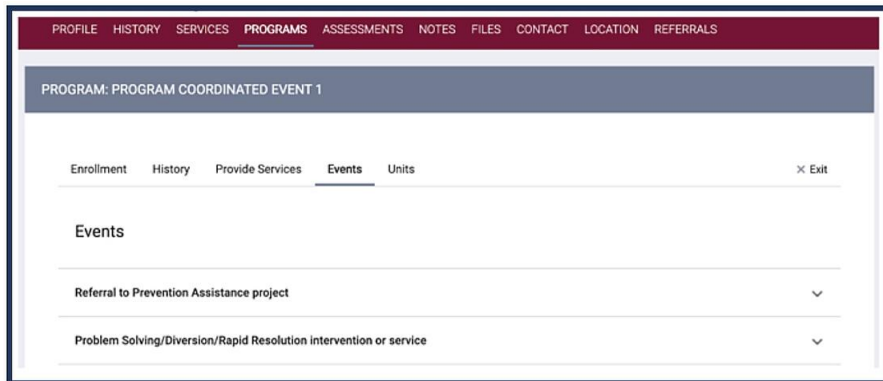
Coming Soon: Revamped Coordinated Entry Events

Coordinated Entry (CE) Events are designated in Clarity Human Services as either “manual” or “inferred”:

- Manual events are recorded by the user in the client enrollment record.
- Inferred events are recorded automatically by the system through referrals based on criteria such as project type or funding source.
- Not all Agencies will be impacted by these changes; we will reach out to agencies impacted once the change is effective.
- This topic will be discussed at our October Agency Admin. Meeting.

Manual CE Event Recording

Once enabled users will record the manual events through a new *Events* tab in the client's enrollment. These changes will allow for greater flexibility in recording CE Events and introduce the ability to import all CE Event values into the system.



Interim VI-SPDAT: Due October 13th

Santa Clara County's VI-SPDAT forms are expected to be updated on October 17th. The forms will reflect the interim changes requested while the CoC re-designs the coordinated entry assessment process.

Are you an HMIS End User who administers the VI-SPDAT? If you answered yes to this question, then you are required to complete the Interim VI-SPDAT training by October 13th, 2022. The training is less than 13 minutes and requires each user to score 80% or higher on the quiz. [Click here to complete the training today.](#)

[Get the details!](#)

Training

Training Recording: [Navigating the HMIS Report Library & Data Analysis 201](#)

Twice a year we host Data Engagement Workshops with Santa Clara County service providers to help staff at all levels enhance their understanding of the data collected in HMIS, how to measure program performance, and how to use data to effectively communicate the success of your programs. In September, we hosted the 2nd in a 2-part series focused on advanced use of reports and data analysis in Clarity. Check out recordings from the recent series.

[Watch now!](#)

Clarity Human Services Updates

New Features in Clarity Human Services

Bitfocus is excited to announce new feature updates in Clarity Human Services that were released earlier in September. Key features include: increased search options for Location Tab, Outreach Module, and Attendance Tool. In addition, we updated several updates to the Clarity Report Library and Data Analysis Tool.

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Upcoming Events

Meetings and events with you in mind

- HMIS Agency Administration Meeting
- Service Providers Network Meeting
- Performance Management Work Group (PMWG)
- SCC TA Office Hours
- Rapid Rehousing and Employment Initiatives Meeting

Check out the meeting details.



Training

Training Opportunities

SCC Clarity Office Hours

When: Thursday, October 13th and 27th

Time: 10-11:30 a.m.

Where: [Zoom](#)

SCC Looker Office Hours

When: Thursday, October 3rd, 17th and 31st

Time: 1-2 p.m.

Where: [Zoom](#)



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Check out great career opportunities [here](#) as Bitfocus seeks to expand its reach!

We're Hiring!

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is happy to help.

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