

**Eastern PA CoC Board Meeting December 14, 2020 10AM – 12PM**Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/94005241608?pwd=R2tCNmVJNy82dHlOWE95NGRTNUgrQT09>

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**AGENDA****10:00AM: Welcome and Introductions****10:05AM: Consent Agenda**

- Approval of November 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes - **ATTACHMENT**
- Ratify items pre-approved by the Executive Committee
  - CoC to proceed in the same fashion it did for replacing Helen (former Pocono RHAB CE Regional Manager) to select a new organization and staff to replace Zenayda, with CE Committee taking the lead
  - Cumberland County Home4Good and PHARE Expansion Request

**10:10AM: DCED**

- HMIS, ESG, and Planning Grant updates - **ATTACHMENTS**
  - Discussion about Resourcing HMIS
  - Discussion if Board has questions about ESG, Planning grant, and/or HMIS

**10:30AM: DMA**

- 2021 PIT Count
  - Approval of 2021 Sheltered PIT Count Methodology Needed - **ATTACHMENT**
- 2020 CoC NOFA Update
- Discuss proposed projects and/or training for reprogramming DMA hours that would have been spent on the 2020 CoC NOFA - **ATTACHMENT**

**11:00AM: Committee Reports and Requests for Approval - ATTACHMENTS**

- Coordinated Entry
  - Approve adoption of Prevention Prioritization Tool for ESG Homelessness Prevention, scheduled to go into effect on 2/1/21
    - 13-minute Capacity for Change presentation about the tool found at the following link for Board review in advance of 12/14 meeting Link (password to view is 7?%ie2Nx):  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/NLM3diBsw\\_qYZDwag93OUMWApigJMW\\_MZHXJK- - 6CW2FFokpX18cTez57uifcCXc.VK88HJP1Exn6NueF?startTime=160736295500](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/NLM3diBsw_qYZDwag93OUMWApigJMW_MZHXJK- - 6CW2FFokpX18cTez57uifcCXc.VK88HJP1Exn6NueF?startTime=160736295500)
    - Does the Board wish to require Home4Good grantees who are using their funds for HP to adopt this tool as well (funding runs 7/1/20-6/30/21)?
  - Approve New Homeless Prevention Workflow in HMIS to streamline CE intake and assessment process with At-Risk/ Homelessness Prevention households in an effort to reduce call wait times for Category 1 Literally Homeless and Category 4 Fleeing households
- Funding
- Data Management and Outcomes
- Veterans Leadership and Engagement
- Written Standards

**11:30AM: CDC Eviction Moratorium**

- Discuss advocacy efforts and preparing a response to the impending wave of evictions

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Board Members Present

Leslie Perryman, President  
Alisa Baratta, Vice President  
Sergio Carmona, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Mae-Ling Kranz, Treasurer  
Melissa Magargle, Secretary  
Randi Bannon  
Rob Nicolella  
Jeannette Triano Sinn  
Tiffany Jones  
Jackie Condor  
Beth Ellis  
Angela Susten

Board Members Not Present

Jeff Poch

DCED Staff Present

Brendan Auman  
Tony Diaz

DMA Staff Present

Leigh Howard  
Lauren Whitleigh

Capacity for Change Staff Present

Jason Alexander

Approval of November Meeting Minutes

The motion to approve the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes passed with all in favor.

Ratification of items pre-approved by the Executive Committee

The Coordinated Entry Committee Recommendation to proceed in the same fashion it did for replacing Helen (former Pocono RHAB CE Regional Manager) to select a new organization and staff to replace Zenayda was approved with all in favor.

HMIS Resourcing Discussion

Angela requested additional time (until June 2021) to assess the need for additional HMIS resources/ staffing as HMIS has been in flux for many months, making it difficult to fully assess and identify what is needed. The Board requested to continue this discussion, not waiting until June 2021. Leigh recommended that if there is new CoC funding in 2020, the Board discuss the possibility of accessing CoC funding to support Mahendra's position long-term, which is currently being supported with ESG-CV funding.

Approval of Allocation of Planning Grant Funding to Support Engagement with People with Lived Expertise

Lauren provided an updated budget for compensating people with lived expertise for their engagement on the CoC Board and Committees based on December 8<sup>th</sup> Board meeting input. The Board expressed concern about allocating both Travel and Other Project funding toward this activity. The motion to allocate the \$5,000 Planning Grant Board Travel line item toward supporting people with lived expertise engage in CoC Board and Committees was approved with all in favor.

Approval of 2021 Sheltered PIT Count Methodology

Shared with the Board in advance of the meeting, Leigh reviewed the 2021 PIT Count Methodology, how the Sheltered Methodology is the same as last year's with some COVID-19 related tweaks and how there will not be an unsheltered PIT Count this year. Mae-Ling motioned to approve the 2021 Sheltered PIT Count Methodology. Jeannette seconded the motion. The motion was approved with all in favor.

2020 CoC NOFA Update

To date, no CoC NOFA. HUD still waiting on Congress to pass legislation that will allow them to auto-renew CoC renewal grants.

Proposed Projects for repurposing DMA hours that would have otherwise been spent on the 2020 CoC NOFA

Leigh presented that DMA has a max of 328 hours available to repurpose, assuming no additional NOFA for FY2020. Leigh walked through proposed projects. Leslie requested that Leigh prepare an estimated number of hours for each project the Board identified as a priority. Alisa commented that the Board could use some of their \$9600 Other Project BLI to supplement these projects, if there aren't enough repurposed hours.

Some initial priorities identified included:

- project monitoring and self-monitoring tools
- propping up RRH; RRH Learning Collaborative
- Move-On Strategy
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Support
- New CoC Board member onboarding

Coordinated Entry Committee Recommendations

Jason presented the following 2 Coordinated Entry Recommendations: Adopt the New CoC Homelessness Prevention Toolkit to be implemented by ESG HP providers by February 1, 2021 and Adopt the New Homelessness Prevention Workflow in PA HMIS to reduce call wait times for Category 1 Literally Homeless and Category 4 Fleeing households. The Board discussed whether or not the tool can be built into HMIS, timeline, etc. Jason advised that the triage eligibility spreadsheet the Access Sites and 211 will use can be built into HMIS by the DCED HMIS team, but there is no timeline for that to date. Regarding building the HP Prioritization Tool into HMIS, Leigh advised that the Western PA CoC would likely be interested in pursuing that as well and splitting the costs. Sergio and Tiffany volunteered to pilot the tool in January.

The Board approved the Committee Recommendations with all in favor, with the goal of rolling out the Homelessness Prevention Prioritization Tool with ESG HP providers first and assessing ongoing expanding the requirement to other funding streams such as HAP and Home4Good. HP providers not funded by ESG will be welcome to use the tool voluntarily when it is launched.

CDC Eviction Moratorium Advocacy Effort Discussion

The Board discussed sending a letter to Congressional leadership the way they had to the Governor and Secretary of Health.