Northeastern Homeless Coalition Region 11 (Meeting and Case Conferencing)

April 14, 2022

# **Minutes**

### **Those Present:**

- Lakitra Claude Trillium
- Autumn Henderson Trillium
- Valeria Phelps Tyrrell DSS
- Lillian Dance EIC
- Audrey Hopkins Trillium
- Carol Patterson Albemarle Hopeline
- Michele Welsh Trillium
- Nicole Wilson Durham VA

- Kisha Darden Trillium
- Victoria Gray River City
- Brooke Coley Trillium
- Debra Susie NCCEH
- Marti Chick-Ebey Hampton VA
- Cara Moraitis River City
- Nicole Walker Albemarle Hopeline

## **Roll Call/Introductions**

• Everyone on the call introduced themselves and stated what agency they were from.

### **Coordinated Entry Survey**

- HUD requires that all agencies in the CoC must participate surveys are due by 5/31/2022
- The surveys are for service providers and clients; they can be submitted online or in paper form
- RRH the survey should be administered 30 days before or after the client is housed; PSH administer to clients who entered the program in the last year
- All surveys are confidential, anonymous and optional, but all clients must receive the option to complete the survey
- There is a script to read before the surveys are administered

### Scorecard Committee

- The regional committee need to select someone to serve on the CoC Scorecard Committee the representative must be chosen by 4/22/22
- The role of the committee is to review both renewal and new applicant scorecards for the CoC competition
- The committee will meet over 3 consecutive weeks (4/26 @ 2pm, 5/5 @1pm, and 5/13 @ 2pm)
- There is no stipulation on conflict of interest so anyone from the regional committee can serve on the scorecard committee Cara Moraitis agreed to serve on the committee

# **COVID Vaccinations in the region**

• The HMIS@NCCEH Advisory Board approved usage of HMIS@NCCEH data for an NC DHHS project to determine the usage of vaccines amongst people in the homeless and housing service system.

- NCCEH and NC DHHS are working together to bring us updated data monthly that can be used to assist regions in raising their vaccination rates.
- Only 22.9% of those in HMIS have been vaccinated with at least one dose, this is compared to 63% of the total NC population that have received at least one dose
- Region 11 has seen an increase in vaccinations each month since November (15.3), December (17.2), January (18.7), and February (19.4)
- The regional committee need to come up with a plan to get more homeless individuals in the region vaccinated
  - The plan includes: collaborating with existing mobile health units to deliver vaccines; offer gift cards or swag bags with personal care items as incentives
  - A committee will work together to come up with more ideas

### **Day 1 Families Fund**

- Trillium has been awarded a grant to help assist families experiencing homelessness; the funding will help fill gaps and increase the chances for families with significant barriers and unique situations to find safe, affordable, permanent housing; funds cannot be used for prevention activities
- Households are eligible to receive funding of up to \$2,500 once per calendar year
- Third party documentation of homelessness is preferred, however self-certification of homelessness will be sufficient
- Eligible expenses include but are not limited to: landlord referral bonus, transportation, household items, short-term hotel stay, rent and utility arrears, childcare, car repairs, etc.

#### New Referrals

- Six new cases were staffed today
  - Two individuals were referred to River City's B@H Program
  - One individual was referred for a EHV
  - One referral was given to the TCLI Program
  - Two individuals more information is needed before a referral can be made concerning housing

#### **Review and Updates**

• Updates were given on the individuals on the by-name list.

#### Agency Updates/Announcements

• There were no updates or announcements

#### **Adjournment**

• The meeting was adjourned at 10:0am. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 9:00am

\*\*\*Due to confidentiality, case conferencing notes are not included with the minutes \*\*\*