



NC Balance of State Continuum of Care

Permanent Supportive Housing Subcommittee
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Today's Agenda

- HUD Homeless Definition
- HUD Chronic Homeless Prioritization Policy

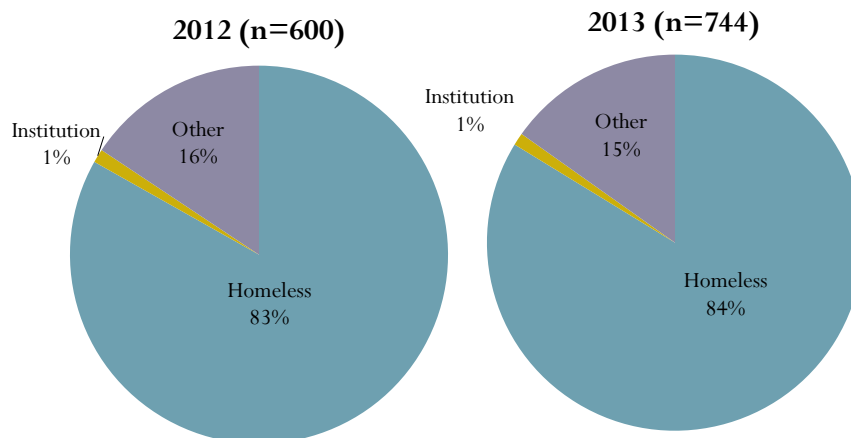


Why Prioritization?

- Homeless definition & CH Prioritization policy place significant limitations on who we serve – why?
 - Not enough resources to serve everyone
 - Decisions to serve Person A mean not serving Person B
 - Federal Strategic Plan sets specific, measurable goals and priorities within the goals
 - End veteran homelessness by 2015
 - End chronic homelessness by 2016
 - End family & youth homelessness by 2020
 - Set a path to end all types of homelessness



PSH Residence Prior to Program Entry



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Other Locations	2012	2013
PSH for Homeless persons	4	2
Owned by Client, no Subsidy	3	7
Owned by Client, with Subsidy	0	0
Rental by Client, no subsidy	7	7
Rental by Client, with VASH Subsidy	0	0
Rental by Client, with other ongoing Subsidy	1	1
Hotel/Motel, Paid by Client	3	2
Staying or Living with Family	29	30
Staying or Living with Friend(s)	30	31
Other	15	8
Don't Know/Refused	0	4
Information Missing	2	21
Total	94	113



Homeless Definition

- Final rule published December 2011
 - https://www.onecpd.info/resources/documents/HEARTH_HomelessDefinition_FinalRule.pdf
- Applies to ESG & FY 2011-present CoC
 - FY 2010 and previous: use definition in NOFA



Homeless Definition

- Category 1
 - Individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence
 - Place not meant for human habitation
 - Shelter, Transitional housing, Hotels/motels paid by agency
 - Exiting institution
 - Resided 90 days or less
- AND
- Resided in shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering institution



Homeless Definition

- Category 4
 - Any individual or family
 - Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence
 - Has no other residence
- AND
- Lack resources or support networks to obtain permanent housing



Homeless Definition

- Other NOFA limitations for PSH
 - Households coming from transitional housing must have originally come from streets or emergency shelter
 - Family member with a disability



Chronically Homeless Prioritization

- HUD released Notice July 2014
 - Notice on Prioritizing Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness and Other Vulnerable Homeless Persons in PSH and Recordkeeping Requirements for Documenting Chronic Homeless Status
 - CPD-14-012
 - <https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Notice-CPD-14-012-Prioritizing-Persons-Experiencing-Chronic-Homelessness-in-PSH-and-Recordkeeping-Requirements.pdf>



Chronically Homeless Prioritization

- 4 Sections
 - Strategies to increase PSH beds for CH
 - Order of Priority for all CoC-funded PSH
 - Using Coordinated Assessment for prioritized waiting lists
 - Recordkeeping



Chronically Homeless Prioritization

- Background
 - Chronically homeless
 - Duration
 - Homeless 12+ months continuously
 - 4 episodes/3 years
 - Disability
 - Many PSH beds AND many people who are chronically homeless are still not housed



Chronically Homeless Prioritization

- Strategies to increase CH in PSH beds
 - Increase CH dedicated beds
 - Prioritize CH for non-dedicated beds



Chronically Homeless Prioritization

- Order of Priority – CH dedicated beds
 1. CH with longest history of homelessness and most severe service needs
 2. CH with longest history of homelessness
 3. CH with most severe service needs
 4. Other CH
- Severe service needs
 - History of high utilization of crisis services
 - Emergency rooms, jails, psychiatric facilities
 - Significant level of support to maintain housing
 - Health, behavioral, functional impairments



Chronically Homeless Prioritization

- Order of Priority – Non-dedicated beds
 1. Homeless with a disability and most severe service needs
 2. Homeless with a disability and long period(s) of homelessness
 3. Homeless coming from all but transitional housing
 - Not meant for human habitation, safe havens, shelter
 4. Homeless coming from transitional housing



Chronically Homeless Prioritization

- Recordkeeping Requirements
 - CoC
 - Written standards, standardized assessment tool, coordinated assessment
 - Recipients
 - Written intake procedures, CH documentation



Chronically Homeless Prioritization

- Steering Committee passed a CH Prioritization policy January 2014
- Revised policy inclusive of HUD Notice
 - Policy will be folded into Written Standards when adopted
 - 2015 target
 - Adds priority order for dedicated and non-dedicated beds and reference to recordkeeping



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