



## NC Balance of State Continuum of Care

BoS Coordinated Assessment Dialogue Call

November 10, 2015

3:00 PM

## Welcome

- Roll Call
- Reminders
  - \*6 to mute/unmute line
  - Please do not put us on hold
    - Hold music is disruptive



## Today's Agenda

- Change to VI-SPDAT version 2
- Coordinated Assessment Outcomes reporting
  - Results, July-September 2015
  - Feedback from Regional Committees on process
- Plan change policy
- Tips & Tools
- Challenges & Questions



## VI-SPDAT version 2

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## BoS will be changing from version 1 to version 2 of VI-SPDAT on Jan. 1, 2016

- Changes to VI-SPDAT version 2
  - Incorporates feedback Orgcode got from the field
    - Specifically around DV elements
  - Shorter, fewer questions
    - Takes on average 7 minutes rather than 9 minutes
  - Removed subjective measures
    - Evaluators making judgment calls based on observation
  - More detail about the changes: [ncceh.org/files/6130](http://ncceh.org/files/6130)



## NCCEH staff created tool to help Regional Committee make change on Jan. 1

- Step-by-step instructions posted
  - [ncceh.org/files/6366](http://ncceh.org/files/6366)
- Regional Committees
  - Inform all agencies participating in Coordinated Assessment about the change to version 2
  - Provide Orgcode explainer to agencies
    - [http://www.orgcode.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/VI-SPDAT\\_v2\\_Background.pdf](http://www.orgcode.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/VI-SPDAT_v2_Background.pdf)
  - Convert waitlist scores from VI-SPDAT version 1 to version 2
    - Instructions on page 4 of Orgcode explainer



## There are tasks for agencies and staff in change from version 1 to version 1

- Supply copies of VI-SPDAT v2.0
  - [ncceh.org/bos/coordinatedassessment/](http://ncceh.org/bos/coordinatedassessment/)
- All staff administering VI-SPDAT required to watch revised BoS training before January 1, 2016
  - [https://prezi.com/ebmxox\\_3qwqd/vi-spdatt-version-2/](https://prezi.com/ebmxox_3qwqd/vi-spdatt-version-2/)
- Collect all copies of the VI-SPDAT v1.0 to be recycled
- Read the Orgcode explainer document
  - [http://www.orgcode.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/VI-SPDAT\\_v2\\_Background.pdf](http://www.orgcode.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/VI-SPDAT_v2_Background.pdf)
- Begin assessing households with the VI-SPDAT v2.0 as of January 1, 2016



## Coordinated Assessment Outcome Reporting

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## First Outcome report due Oct. 15, reporting on July – September 2015

- Expecting 14 reports
  - Received 12
  - Need info from AHRMM & Caswell
- NCCEH will be creating coordinated assessment ‘report card’ to reflect back to Regional Committee what their data says
  - December or January

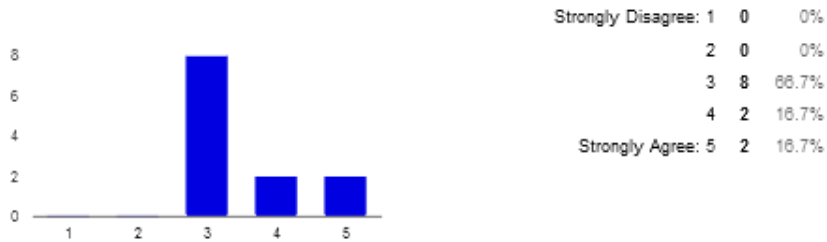
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## Some data of note from CA Outcome forms

- 0 grievances filed
- Feedback on Assessment tools was positive-ish
  - P/D screen more neutral

**The Prevention/Diversion screen is successful in triaging households in housing crises.**

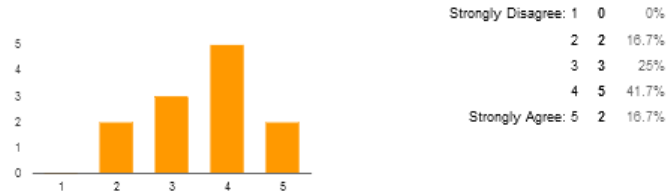


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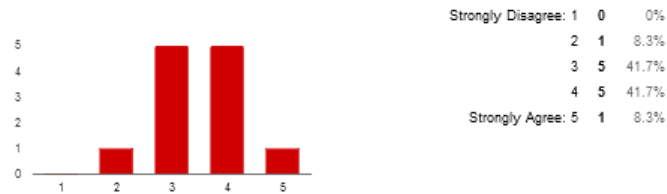


## Feedback on VI-SPDAT & case management tool

**The VI-SPDAT screen is successful at prioritizing clients for housing resources.**

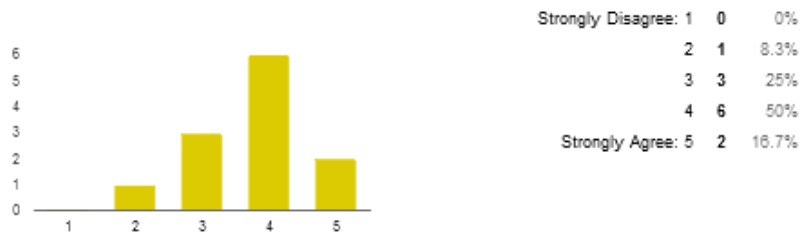


**The Case Management Tool is successful at ongoing assessment and service planning for clients.**



## Trainings for assessment tools seem to be working overall

**The assessment tool trainings are clear and prepare staff to do assessments.**



## Regional Committees identified many challenges and system gaps

- Participation
- System flow
- Resources
  - Affordable housing
- Alignment with HUD priorities
  - Homeless definition
  - Prioritization
- Community/other agency education
- Tracking and reporting data
- Not implementing fully

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## Overall, some successes with coordinated assessment

- Regional Committees like the tools
  - VI-SPDAT
- Increasing education and participation

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## Feedback from Regional Committees re: process of submitting outcomes

- What worked well/what can be improved with the process?
  - Online form
  - Tally form
  - Online training
- Staff will be revising online form to include info on changes made at Regional Committee level & to incorporate this feedback
  - New online training to come in December



## Plan change policy

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## We expect coordinated assessment to change over time

- Changes to plans are expected
- Some changes made at local level, some required CAC approval
- For changes that require CAC approval, use form
  - <http://goo.gl/forms/Z9iEFKMvT2>
- Changes made at local level – report these using the quarterly outcome form



## Process for requesting changes to CA plans

| Type of plan change   | Level of approval  |
|---|--------------------|
| Change who/how assessments made                             | Regional Committee |
| Change is type of service available in community            | Regional Committee |
| Adding referral agencies (supplying or receiving referrals) | Regional Committee |
| Model (centralized/decentralized)                           | Regional Committee |
| CA lead   | Regional Committee |



## Process for requesting changes to CA plans

| Type of plan change                              | Level of approval  |
|--|--------------------|
| Increasing hours accessible<br>(P/D or VI-SPDAT) | Regional Committee |
| Decreasing hours accessible<br>(P/D or VI-SPDAT) | CAC                |
| Transportation resources                         | Regional Committee |
| Phone option/not                                 | Regional Committee |
| Referral mechanism/process                       | CAC                |
| Waitlist mechanism/process                       | CAC                |

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## Process for requesting changes to CA plans

| Type of plan change                               | Level of approval  |
|---|--------------------|
| Start using real-time bed availability            | Regional Committee |
| Stop/Start using HMIS                             | CAC                |
| Change grievance process for agency or individual | Regional Committee |
| Change oversight process                          | Regional Committee |
| Change score ranges for referrals                 | Regional Committee |
| Changes to assessment tools                       | CAC                |

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## The form to request changes that require CAC approval is short & sweet

Regional Committee \*

Contact name \*

Contact phone number \*

Contact email \*

**What change(s) to your coordinated assessment plan are you requesting? \***  
The changes listed below require approval from the Balance of State Coordinated Assessment Council (CAC). Other changes can be made with approval at the Regional Committee level and reported using the quarterly Coordinated Assessment outcome report.

Decreasing the hours staff are available to assess clients using the Prevention/Diversion screen and/or the VI-SPDAT

Change to referral tool or process

Change to waitlist tool or process

Stop/start using HMIS

Any change to the Prevention/Diversion screen, VI-SPDAT or case management tool

Please describe in detail the specific change(s) you are requesting and the reasons for the changes. \*



## Tips & Tools; Challenges & Questions

## It is helpful for you to share info from your Regional Committee

- Tips & Tools
  - What is working well
  - New innovations
  - Any documents, processes, etc. to share?
- Challenges & Questions
  - What are you working on now?
  - Questions for the group/NCCEH staff?



## Wrap Up

- Reminders
  - CA outcomes form due Jan. 15
    - October – December 2015
  - NC 211 updates due Jan. 31
- Next meeting
  - Tues. Dec. 8, 3-4 pm
  - Register on NCCEH website
    - [ncceh.org/events/945](http://ncceh.org/events/945)
- Keep in touch
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