



North Carolina Balance of State Continuum of Care

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NC Balance of State CoC Veterans Subcommittee

Meeting Notes 2.16.18

Veteran Subcommittee Members attending: Nicole DeWitt, Charlotte Stewart, Jeff Smith, Michelle Blanding, Robin Henry, John Rakes, Jeff Doyle, Reginald Roy, Terry Allebaugh

NCCEH Staff attending: Nicole Purdy, Ehren Dohler

Other CoC members attending: Kiana Kirk, Olga Ortiz, Jessica Maples, Teresa Robinson, Kristie Reisig, Ashley Langmeade

1. USICH Criteria and Benchmarks

The Subcommittee reviewed the CoC's progress toward meeting the USICH Criteria and Benchmarks for Ending Veteran Homelessness:

- Benchmark A: Ending Chronic Homelessness
 - We still don't have enough data on chronic homelessness. Filling out the USICH assessments in HMIS will help us start tracking this data point.
- Benchmark B: Quick Access to Permanent Housing
 - This benchmark requires CoCs to have an average length of time homeless less than 90 days. Nicole pulled data on Veterans who exited homelessness, and of those who exited to permanent destinations, the average length of time homeless was 111 days.
- Benchmark C: Sufficient PH capacity
 - This benchmark requires CoCs to move more Veterans out of homelessness than the number entering homelessness. Nicole pulled data on entries and exits:
 - Between November and February, 104 Veterans became homeless. In the same time period 84 exited to permanent housing.
 - Using the by-name list data: 242 Vets are currently homeless (though a much lower number actually recently entered homelessness). 26 exited homelessness in the last 90 days, but 84 are enrolled in RRH or PSH but have not yet exited homelessness. So that number could go up a lot.
- Criterion 3: the CoC uses Transitional Housing in limited circumstances.
 - There are currently about 10 Veterans in TH in the NC BoS CoC.
- Criterion 1: The CoC has identified all Veterans experiencing homelessness:
 - By-name list progress:
 - Sharing Agreements signed in regions 1, 2, 7, 10, 11, 13
 - Sharing Agreements out for signature in regions 3, 6, 8, 9, 12
 - Regions 4 and 5 delayed due to data issues, almost ready to go

2. By-name lists

The Subcommittee looked at by-name lists:

- There is still a lot of missing data, but all SSVF providers are working on filling in their data. Once all the SSVF data is filled in, it should populate a lot of the people in shelters as well.
- There is an Active BNL tab, a Housing Offers tab, a Housed tab, and a Provider detail tab.
- Summary data from by-name lists:

Veterans on Active BNL	242
Veterans Chronically Homeless (Active)	1
Veterans Long-Term Homeless (Active)	2
Veterans Housed (during reporting period)	26
Vets Housed homeless enrolled in RRH/PSH	84
Vets in TH	10
Region 1	11
Region 2	10
Region 3	28
Region 4	22
Region 5	81
Region 6	11
Region 7	10
Region 8	1
Region 9	16
Region 10	17
Region 11	0
Region 12	10
Region 13	19

3. HUD-VASH connection

The subcommittee discussed how sharing data with VAMCs is going. Family Endeavors is having trouble in the Onslow area, without a point-of-contact. Most other connections are going well.

According to the by-name list report, 12 Veterans have exited to HUD-VASH between November and February.

Ehren will send the outreach forms to SSVF so they can make sure VAMCs are sending them Veterans to get onto the lists. Jeff made sure everyone knows that VAMCs are now required to participate in coordinated entry, so contact Jeff or Ehren if they aren't coming to meetings or aren't sending Veterans for referral.

4. 2018 Goals

The Subcommittee agreed on the following goals for 2018:

- End Chronic Veteran Homelessness by the end of 2018



- Reduce the average length of time homeless to below 90 days by the end of 2018
- Get by-name lists used in every region on a regular basis in the next two months

Jeff Smith suggested the following as tasks for the Subcommittee for 2018:

- Take advantage of the Governor's Working Group's focus on Veteran homelessness in May, June, and July. Ehren, Terry, and Jeff will keep the rest of the group updated on how to use this opportunity.
 - Figure out how to donate frequent flyer miles to non-profits to pay for hotel rooms. The Subcommittee will explore this with SSVF providers in 2018.
5. 2018 meeting schedule
- The Subcommittee agreed to meet every other month. They will meet next from 10am to 12pm on Friday, April 20.

