

**CONTINUUM OF CARE GRANTEE CERTIFICATION**

Background: The North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness (NCCEH) serves as the collaborative applicant for the NC Balance of State Continuum of Care (CoC) and as such is charged by HUD to operate and administer CoC activities and to monitor grantee performance ([24 CFR Part 578](https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=2&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0CCYQFjABahUKEwj39pfZj9vGAhXCOj4KHabiAiE&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.hudexchange.info%2Fresources%2Fdocuments%2FCoCProgramInterimRule_FormattedVersion.pdf&ei=oEOlVfemF8L1-AGmxYuIAg&usg=AFQjCNEmbVVIKiYLZygRAet6r8-M5B0r0Q&bvm=bv.97653015,d.cWw)). To further CoC goals and to clarify expectations, NCCEH is setting out grant recipient responsibilities in this document to be signed annually by an authorized representative of the grant recipient agency.

CoC grant recipients have a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The grant recipient is responsible for adhering to all requirements and obligations outlined by HUD. In the event that grant recipient responsibilities change, revisions will be made to this certification and will require a new signature.

Before applying for renewal or new CoC funding, it is imperative that all project applicants read the CoC Program Interim Rule ([24 CFR Part 578](https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=2&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0CCYQFjABahUKEwj39pfZj9vGAhXCOj4KHabiAiE&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.hudexchange.info%2Fresources%2Fdocuments%2FCoCProgramInterimRule_FormattedVersion.pdf&ei=oEOlVfemF8L1-AGmxYuIAg&usg=AFQjCNEmbVVIKiYLZygRAet6r8-M5B0r0Q&bvm=bv.97653015,d.cWw)) as it provides the requirements for implementation and administration of the CoC Program.

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| Agency: |  |
| Contact Person: |  |
| Regional Committee(s) covered by grant activities: |  |

I have read and understand the expectations set forth in this certification.

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**HMIS Participation and Coverage**

CoC grant recipients must collect the following information on the persons served and services provided during the grant period and enter this information into NC Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Domestic violence service providers are prohibited from participation in HMIS but must demonstrate that they have a database comparable to an HMIS and are able to provide statistical information from that database upon request that does not compromise client privacy.

**Universal Data Elements Program Specific Data Elements**

Name Housing Status

Social Security Number Income & Sources of Income

Date of Birth Non-Cash Benefits

Race Health Insurance

Ethnicity Physical Disability

Gender Developmental Disability

Veteran Status Chronic Health Condition

Disabling Condition HIV/AIDS

Living Situation Mental Health Problem

Project Entry Date Substance Abuse

Project Exit Date Domestic Violence

Destination at Project Exit Residential Move-In Date (Rapid Rehousing)

Personal ID NC County of Service

Household ID

Relationship to the Head of Household

Client Location

Destination

**Project Parameters**

* All projects will follow the NC Balance of State CoC [written standards](http://www.ncceh.org/bos/) for the project type.
* All permanent supportive housing project beds will be dedicated to chronically homeless households.
* Permanent supportive housing projects will follow HUD guidelines for targeting and prioritizing PSH units for chronically homeless participants ([HUD Notice CPD-16-11](https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/5108/notice-cpd-16-11-prioritizing-persons-experiencing-chronic-homelessness-and-other-vulnerable-homeless-persons-in-psh/)) and will follow the order of priority as outlined in the NC Balance of State CoC [PSH written standards](http://www.ncceh.org/files/7521/).
* Permanent supportive housing projects will adopt the [Key Elements of Permanent Supportive Housing as defined by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA](http://store.samhsa.gov/shin/content/SMA10-4510/SMA10-4510-06-BuildingYourProgram-PSH.pdf))[[1]](#footnote-1).
* Rapid re-housing projects will adopt the [USICH RRH [[2]](#footnote-2)Performance Benchmarks and Program Standards.](https://www.usich.gov/tools-for-action/rapid-re-housing-performance-benchmarks-and-program-standards)

**Grant Performance & Reports**

* All grant recipients will receive approval from the NC Balance of State CoC prior to requesting a grant extension from HUD.
* All grant recipients will receive approval from the NC Balance of State CoC prior to requesting a significant change from HUD, including grant transfers and budget changes of more than 10%, as outlined in the BoS [Significant Change Policy](http://www.ncceh.org/bos/cocgrantees/).
* All grant recipients will report grant spending to NC Balance of State CoC staff twice a year by submitting their project spending report screen shot from eLOCCS.
* All grant recipients will participate in the NC Balance of State CoC’s Performance Improvement Process (PIP) reporting.
* All grant recipients will submit Point-in-Time Count and Housing Inventory Count data by deadlines established by NCCEH and local Regional Committees.
* All grant recipients will submit APRs to NCCEH for review prior to HUD submission.
* All grant recipients will submit APRs to HUD on or before report deadline and will participate in the APR review process conducted by NCCEH staff.
* All grant recipients will participate in all required trainings conducted by NCCEH staff and other technical assistance organizations.

**Regional Committee Activities**

* All grant recipients will participate in at least 75% of Regional Committee meetings in a 12-month period.
* All project applicants will present their CoC project application(s) to the Regional Committee for local review prior to submission to NCCEH by the project application deadline.
* All grant recipients will participate in the ESG application process in every Regional Committee covered by grant activities.
* All grant recipients will present updates on grant activities to the Regional Committee(s) covered by the grant on at least a quarterly basis.
* All grant recipients will participate in the local coordinated assessment process as designed by the Regional Committee(s), including only accepting referrals through coordinated assessment.
* Grant recipients are expected to support Regional Committee(s) covered by grant activities as they achieve the following standards:
  + Meet minimum standards of NC BoS CoC Regional Committees
    - Hold regular meetings
    - Implement coordinated assessment
    - Post meeting minutes to NCCEH website within 30 days of meeting date
  + Regional Lead, alternate or other designated member of the Regional Committee participates in at least 75% of Steering Committee meetings.

1. US Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Center for Mental Health Services. (2010) Permanent Supportive Housing: Building Your Program (Evidence- Based Practices KIT). Retrieved from http://store.samhsa.gov/shin/content//SMA10-4510/SMA10-4510-06-BuildingYourProgram-PSH.pdf [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. USICH Rapid Re-Housing Performance Benchmarks and Program Standards (2016). Retrieved from https://www.usich.gov/tools-for-action/rapid-re-housing-performance-benchmarks-and-program-standards. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)