Long Island Coalition for the Homeless

Continuum of Care Meeting – Friday, October 11, 2019

**HMIS Update**

**New HMIS Data Standards Released on October 1, 2019**

Foothold deployed changes to the HMIS Data Standards as directed by HUD on October 1, 2019. All changes besides the Coordinated Entry data elements are now live in our HMIS database. The Coordinated Entry data elements are not required to be fully implemented until April 2020 and only apply to those working in CE programs.

Documentation explaining the data standard changes is available on the side menu of the AWARDS Home Page. If you have any question about the data standards changes, please contact the HMIS team at the LICH.

**HMIS – CoC Workshop – Keys for the Homeless Conference**

Please join us at the HMIS workshop at this year’s ‘Keys for the Homeless Conference’ at Touro Law Center on Friday, November 1, 2019. This year’s workshop is titled “Using HMIS Data for Program and System Performance Improvement”.

The goal of the presentation will be to help providers understand their role in the larger context of the System Performance Measures (SPM) and appreciate the importance and utility of the HMIS data they contribute.  We’ll look at a few key metrics from the SPM, discuss program performance and client outcomes, and look at how these things come together in an effectively functioning Coordinated Entry System.

**HMIS Data Committee**

The kickoff meeting for the HMIS Data Committee was held on Friday, September 20 at the LICH office in Amityville. The committee members engaged in a lively and informative discussion of HMIS process, data privacy, and data quality. Minutes from the data committee kickoff meeting have now been posted to the HMIS section of the LICH website.

**\*Important Note:** The LICH HMIS Team will be attending the Fall conference of the National Human Services Data Consortium (NHSDC) in Austin, Texas next week (Tues. October 15 -> Friday October 18). We will be checking both email and the HMIS Help Desk as much as possible, but it will likely be sporadic. Please expect some delays in our communication during this time.

**Upcoming HMIS trainings:**

* HMIS New User Training: *Thursday, November 14, 2019.*
* HMIS New User Training:*Tuesday, December 17, 2019.*

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Visit the HMIS section of the LICH-CoC website ([www.lihomeless.org](http://www.lihomeless.org)) for additional information and helpful resources.