

Michigan Balance of State Continuum of Care

December 12, 2019

Meeting Minutes

In-Person Members

None

In-Person Non-Member

Christina Soulard; Jessica Vail; Lindsay Westin

Call-In Members

Theresa Beesley; Jim Johnson; Lisa Schmierer; Dave Ransom; *Chair - Tina Allen*; Adam Traviss; Kelcey Lilley; Hannelore Dysinger; Diane Hanna; Kaleigh Buris; Jennifer Rodgers; Andrea Sneller; Rebecca Zemla; Angila Heinitz; Clint Brugger; *Past Chair – Eric Hufnagel*.

Call-In Non-Members

Julee Laurent; Tina Baross; Victoria Purvis; Rebecca Tallegrio; Rich Holstrom; Kendra Nelson; Lynn Nee; Rene' Rodriguez; Grace Ronkaitis; Melissa Hall; Misty Fogg; Rachel Pung; Valerie Hoffman; Kael Meyer; Melinda Pepper.

Welcome and Introduction

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.; Tina Allen welcomed all attendees.

Review/Approve Agenda

Tina asked if there were additions or comments to the December 2019 Agenda. *There were no objections or concerns noted – consensus recorded for the December 2019 Agenda.*

Review/Approve Minutes

Tina asked if there were additions or comments to the September 2019, October 2019 or November 2019 meeting minutes. *There were no objections or concerns noted – consensus recorded for the September 2019, October 2019 and November 2019 minutes.*

Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids ~ Lynn Nee & Rene' Rodriguez

- The presentation provided information regarding programming for individuals with Aids. A copy of the presentation slides and a voice recording are available on the www.miboscoc.com website.

Coordinated Entry Committee Report ~ Rohlman

- Jessica Vail gave the report for Eva in her absence. A doodle poll has gone out to committee members for January availability. If someone did not receive the doodle poll who would like to be involved, please contact Jessica.

Finance Committee Report ~ Cornelius

- Jessica Vail gave the report for Denise in her absence. There is a committee meeting scheduled on Friday, December 13. Summit stipends have been mailed out to agencies.

Performance and Outcomes Committee ~ Ransom

- Data Quality clean-up is underway and System Performance Measures are being reviewed.

Membership and Nominating ~ Jerome

- Jessica Vail gave the report for Christa in her absence. There is a meeting set up for December 18 to discuss an attendance roster and its format. Due to turnover in agencies a review of membership will be taking place.

Contractual Oversight Committee ~ Cornelius

- Jessica Vail gave the report for Denise in her absence. The MOU between MCAH and MSHDA has been uploaded to the website. A schedule is being created to ensure items are complete on a schedule.

HUD CoC Application and Evaluation Committee ~ Pieri

- No report this month. This Committee's work has slowed down and will start preparing for next year's application process in the Spring.

Vulnerable Populations Committee ~

- Youth Committee (Chair – Cindy Arneson) – No report was given.
- Domestic Violence Committee (Chair – TBA) – the Committee is looking for a chairperson.
- Veterans Committee (Chair – Carly Huffman) – No report was given.

Coordinator Update ~ Vail

- Information was provided regarding the World Café Interactive Activity regarding Coordinated Entry that took place at the in-person meeting in October. Both Strengths and Opportunities were identified within each of the 5 topic areas of Coordinated Entry (Access, Referrals, By Name List, Assessment, Prioritization) are as follows: Strengths within Access - creative ways to bring people into meetings/services; written materials from low to high tech; partnering with 2-1-1; clear messaging of one toll-free line to call. Opportunities within Access – outreach; accessibility other than phone; transportation; marketing strategies. Strengths within Referrals – housing referrals coming from the HARA; using HMIS to make referrals. Opportunities within Referrals – many problems noted in After-Hours coverage; referrals to shelter and ESP hotels stays were struggles. Strengths within By Name Lists – having the right partners at the table to manage the list; using technology and automation. Opportunities within the By Name Lists – struggles ranging from not adding any people to the list to having too many people on it; some areas have no list still. Strengths within Assessment – all communities are using the VI-SPDAT; all communities expressed clear process of how assessment is being implemented. Opportunities within Assessment – lack of clarity around best timing to assess, lots of variation; questions around validity of the current tool and racial biases in it. Strengths within Prioritization – a few communities have a clear prioritization practice that have been adapted from BoS Policy. Opportunities within Prioritization – still a great deal of confusion on how to implement; need to be sure all communities understand what prioritization can and can't do, especially related to eligibility and fair housing concerns.
- The Executive Committee has created a survey to help capture what is happening regarding after-hours care for homeless. The hope is that a wide range of individuals/HARAs/LPBs will complete and return. The survey will be sent out soon.

Public Comment/Announcements

- No public comments noted

The next Governance Council Meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2020 at 10:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 am.

Submitted January 3, 2020: Christa Jerome, MIBOSCOC Secretary