

COVID-19 Office Hours: Chat and Q&A August 28th, 2020

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August 28, 2020 from Abt Associate to everyone: 2:30 PM If you are having any problems with audio you can call in using +1-415-655-0002 Meeting id: 610 976 677

August 28, 2020 from Natalie Matthews to everyone: 2:30 PM
<https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/diseases/#covid-19-webinars-and-office-hours>

August 28, 2020 from Natalie Matthews to everyone: 2:31 PM 1-855-797-9485
Access code: 610 976 677

August 28, 2020 from Barbara DiPietro to everyone: 2:35 PM Here's the link to the dashboard that Emily is discussing: <https://nhchc.org/cdc-covid-dashboard/home/>

August 28, 2020 from Chris OHara to everyone: 2:35 PM I am wondering if there is any new information on whether there will be an outdoor homeless count in January 2021? I know there is to be a shelter bed count.

August 28, 2020 from Emily Mosites to everyone: 2:39 PM CDC testing guidance for shelters and encampments: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/homeless-shelters/testing.html>

August 28, 2020 from William Snow to everyone: 2:40 PM @ Chris RE: 2021 PIT count. No final decisions have been made about the 2021 PIT count. It is highly likely that CoCs will be required to do a sheltered count. We are evaluating our options with regard to the entire count, but especially the unsheltered count. We understand counting during this pandemic context introduces several unique challenges. We also know it is critical to get some information. So we will see what we can do to balance these issues.

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August 28, 2020 from William Higgins to everyone: 2:42 PM If there a NOFA process this year for Continua of Care (CoCs)?

August 28, 2020 from Chris OHara to everyone: 2:45 PM Thanks. Maybe there could be a more strategic canvass and estimates based on those efforts. Similar to how some areas deal with abandoned buildings count. Perhaps some first responders could assist in the count, even in a small way.

August 28, 2020 from William Snow to everyone: 2:46 PM @ Chris - those are good ideas. We have several ideas in the mix. We know that any effort will be tough but if we need to do something we will explore the different options that are available to us.

August 28, 2020 from Kristi Schott to everyone: 2:47 PM We are still waiting on new grant agreements from the FY2019 NOFA award. Any updates?

August 28, 2020 from William Snow to everyone: 2:47 PM @ Rebecca RE: ESG-CV quarterly reporting slides. We plan on publishing those early next week. We will also be hosting Part 2 for to that presentation where we will take a deeper diver into Sage.

August 28, 2020 from Carrie Poser to everyone: 2:48 PM We are also still waiting on a new grant agreement from the FY2019 NOFA award. Any update?

August 28, 2020 from William Snow to everyone: 2:48 PM @ Kristi - several of those grants are now available in LOCCS. We have seen that a few are still not available but we are hoping they will be next week. If you have not checked in the last day or so I would recommend checking LOCCS or reaching out to your field office to see if it is available.

August 28, 2020 from Terry Edwards to everyone: 2:49 PM In rural areas without shelters would hotel/motel funds be eligible

August 28, 2020 from Angie Hall to everyone: 2:49 PM I

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August 28, 2020 from Brett Esders to everyone: 2:57 PM @ Shaye - stay tuned. We haven't published any information yet, but the expiring waiver flexibilities are definitely on our radar.

August 28, 2020 from Suzie Tolmie to everyone: 2:59 PM When do you plan to post the recording from last Friday's Office Hrs? The presentations from Houston would be really helpful here.

August 28, 2020 from Valorie Carson to everyone: 2:59 PM I'm sorry - where are these documents??

August 28, 2020 from Natalie Matthews to everyone: 2:59 PM Hi Suzie; we push to get them up within 2-3 business days. Let me double check on Houston

August 28, 2020 from Aimee Harmon-Darrow to everyone: 3:00 PM Are there specific fields in HMIS that HUD recommends adding regarding COVID tracking?

August 28, 2020 from Katie Peterson to everyone: 3:00 PM
<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/COVID-19-Homeless-System-Response-Designing-a-Centralized-Rent-Administration-Program.pdf>

August 28, 2020 from Katie Peterson to everyone: 3:00 PM
<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/COVID-19-Homeless-System-Response-Shallow-Rental-Subsidies.pdf>

August 28, 2020 from Natalie Matthews to everyone: 3:00 PM Houston is up:
<https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/snaps-covid-19-webinars/>

August 28, 2020 from Valorie Carson to everyone: 3:01 PM THANKS

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August 28, 2020 from Amanda B to everyone: 3:07 PM Many communities have Homeless By Name Lists at this point which are much more accurate and useful than PIT Counts. Recommend using HMIS data

August 28, 2020 from Thomas Bates to everyone: 3:08 PM Second Amanda's statement

August 28, 2020 from Michelle Brinson to everyone: 3:08 PM Are we able to watch the webinar again at a later date & time?

August 28, 2020 from Don Watt to everyone: 3:08 PM As a state, we are considering contracting with some local PHAs to administer some ESG-CV funds for prevention activities. State are currently prohibited from directly contracting with PHAs to administer ESG funds. Is any flexibility expected with the ESG-CV funds?

August 28, 2020 from Amanda Sternberg to everyone: 3:08 PM I agree with Amanda B as well about using local By-Name-Lists and/or HMIS in lieu of an unsheltered PIT count.

August 28, 2020 from Amanda Sternberg to everyone: 3:10 PM Even if there is a non-competitive process for Coc grants this year, what would that mean for projects we have that we want to reallocate? Would reallocation still be an option?

August 28, 2020 from Carrie Poser to everyone: 3:11 PM And are planning grants included?

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August 28, 2020 from Denise Albertson to everyone: 3:11 PM Our HMIS vendor added the COVID Screening to our system quite some time ago. I believe this was the one

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created out of California. It is available to track COVID screening for anyone, they do not have to be enrolled into a program in HMIS.

August 28, 2020 from Lisa Snipes to everyone: 3:11 PM Waivers?

August 28, 2020 from Brian Roccapiore to everyone: 3:12 PM HMIS / COVID resources: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/5994/covid19-hmis-setup-and-data-sharing-practices/>

August 28, 2020 from Lauren Pareti to everyone: 3:12 PM Can you answer Amanda's question above about reallocation?

August 28, 2020 from Chris OHara to everyone: 3:13 PM Can reallocation happen this year with unspent funds? would it only benefit CE or HMIS?

August 28, 2020 from William Snow to everyone: 3:13 PM CA data efforts on COVID-19: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6004/covid19-systemwide-protocol-for-people-experiencing-homelessness/>

August 28, 2020 from Taylor Kiely to everyone: 3:13 PM For more information on how to register for either the State/Territory or City/County ESG recipient reporting training series, please navigate here: <https://www.hudexchange.info/news/esg-cv-reporting-requirements-training-series-for-esg-recipients/>

August 28, 2020 from Thomas Bates to everyone: 3:13 PM ESG-CV Notice estimate?

August 28, 2020 from Andrew Willard to everyone: 3:13 PM Thank you for all the useful information!

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ESG Waiver extensions

Q&A Session for COVID-19 Office Hours

-Allison Nye - 2:38 PM

Q: What is the link for the dashboard?

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 2:45 PM

A: <https://nhchc.org/cdc-covid-dashboard/home/>-