

HMIS Lead / Sys Admin – Q&A

Questions from 3/18/20 Webinar

For any questions that were not addressed on the webinar, or if there are specific questions to your own systems, please submit an HMIS AAQ to receive a thorough answer:

<https://www.hudexchange.info/program-support/my-question/>

Q: Where can we find the CR APR Programming Specs?

A: The current programming specs can be found in the “Coordinated Entry” folder in the resources section of the HMIS Leads & Admin Hub

Q: Do the vendors have a specific deadline for building the APR?

A: At this time, no.

Q: Will there be any COVID-19 data collection in HMIS?

A: HUD has no plans to require data collection in HMIS for COVID-19, but will be releasing guidance soon - and is planning on hosting office hours when it is released. When this happens, the message will come through the HMIS Sys Admin Hub. Please send an email to hmis@cloudburstgroup.com if you want to be added to the HUB.

Q: Will the CE data element “Go Live” be pushed back?

A: HUD is extending the Coordinated Entry data element programming in Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) and data collection start date to October 1, 2020, with the first reports with this data due on October 1, 2021. However, HUD encourages Continuums of Care (CoCs) to continue to focus on full implementation of the coordinated entry data collection as issues with the COVID-19 response calm down.

Q: Will communities be penalized for “Data not collected” being reported on the APR in question 22e?

A: Clients without an approximate date homelessness started recorded at project start would be counted in the "Data not collected" row and you will **not** be penalized for reporting people in this row.

Q: How do I access the YHDP dashboard in Sage?

A: If your community is a Round 1 YHDP recipient community, you should ask the YHDP Lead agency or CoC for access. If you are not a round 1 YHDP community, it is not yet available for you to access.

Q: Where can I find information on what is reported to Sage in an APR?

A: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/5302/coc-apr-sage-hmis-reporting-repository-templates/>

Q: What is the plan for rolling out CoC dashboards?

A: HUD is working on more general CoC dashboards, there is no timeframe for their release.

Q: I’m an HMIS administrator – do I need access to Sage?

A: If you don't upload APRs for your HUD programs, you won't need access to Sage.

Q: Who needs to submit a CE APR into Sage?

A: CoC funded CE-SSO projects

Q: What universe of clients do we need to report on for our CE grants?

A: HUD wants the CE APR to reflect the entire CoC, regardless of who the recipient of the SSO CE grant is.

Q: Will HUD require vendors to develop a function to merge projects & move client records?

A: HUD does not anticipate issuing vendor functionality requirements in the immediate future. HUD encourages individual CoCs to determine and work with their vendor on specific functionality related to local needs.