

HMIS Lead & System Administrator Monthly Webinar

June 16, 2021



Purpose

› Why attend this call

- You're an HMIS Lead or HMIS System Admin
- You're invested in the HUD SNAPS Data Strategy in your Community:
<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/SNAPS-Data-TA-Strategy-to-Improve-Data-and-Performance-Overview.pdf>
- You're participating in ESG-CV Uploading due to CARES Act funding

During the call

- › All participants are muted
 - › We are recording. Slides and a recording will be provided through the HUD Exchange*
 - › Help us give better answers: provide context when you ask your question (slide # or re: topic) and be specific!
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- › *More on that later in the presentation!

After the call

- › Use the [Ask A Question](#) section on the HUD Exchange for community-specific questions, or questions we were unable to address. Select **HMIS** in Step 2
- › Help us give better answers: provide context when you ask your question (slide # or re: topic) and be specific!
- › Tell us in the HMIS AAQ that you are asking a question based upon the “HMIS Lead/System Admin webinar”



Ask A Question

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* My question is related to:

Acknowledgements

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Agenda

– HUD Updates

- Sage Repository Update
- Comparable Database Updates
- Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Data Collection Training
- Self Assessment Tool *Coming Soon*

– HMIS Lead Updates

- Data Analytics On-demand Course
- EHV Data Collection Guidance
- ESG Manual: Concurrent & Consecutive RRH Enrollments
- HMIS Lead Webinar listserv and HUB transition

HUD Updates

Fran Ledger



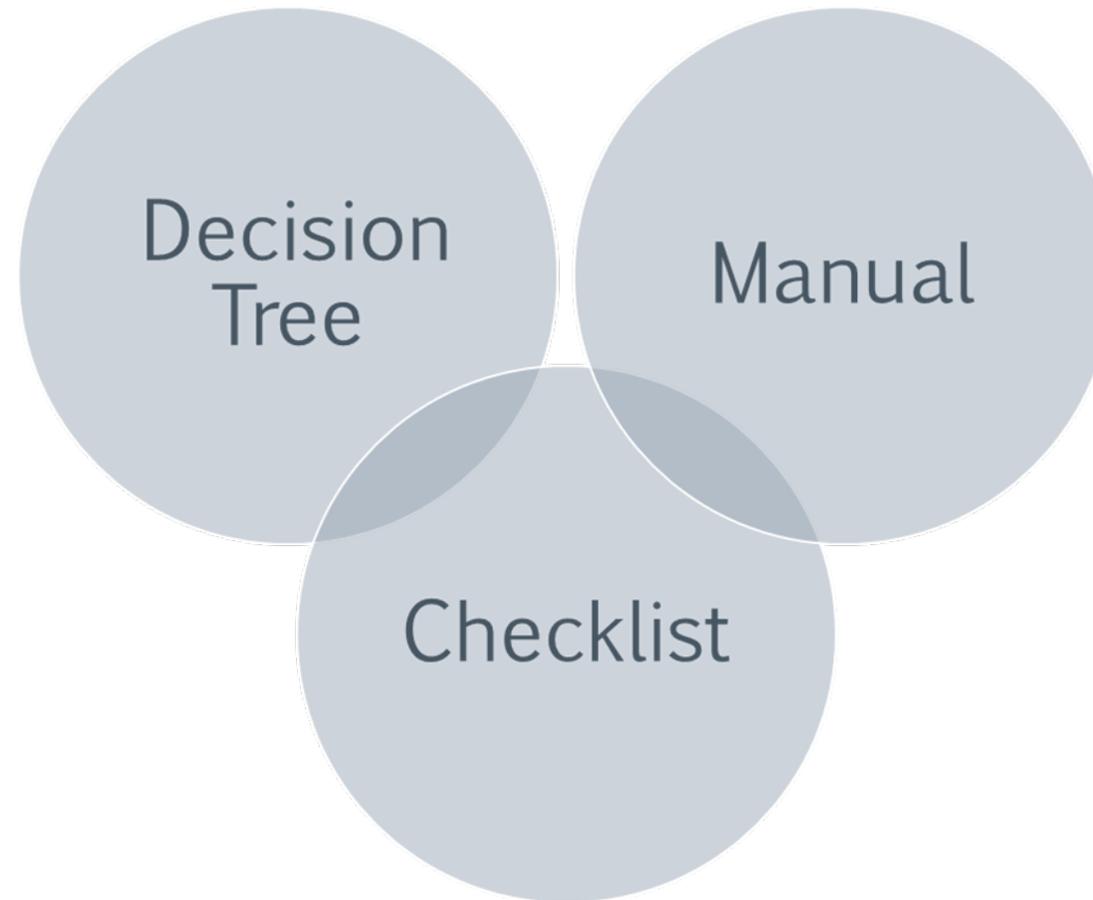
Sage Repository Update

Normal support services for SAGE have returned.

As of yesterday, all outstanding AAQs have been addressed. If you were waiting on an AAQ please check your inbox. Thank you for your patience!

If you have Sage questions, please submit them to the AAQ.

Comparable Database Updates



Race/Ethnicity and Gender Data Collection Improvements

SNAPS is beginning a process to improve race/ethnicity and gender identity data collection both in terms of *what* is collected and *how* it is collected.

› What data is collected for FY2024:

- Do we have an inclusive range of race/ethnicity categories?
- Should the questions be changed to better reflect people's racial and ethnic identity?
- Do we have an inclusive range of gender identity categories?
- Should the questions be changed to better reflect people's gender identity?

› How data is collected:

- How do we collect data in a way that is respectful, honoring the individuality of program participants and ensuring that data is not used to disenfranchise individuals and families?
- What additional information should people collecting data have about ways to collect data in a culturally-sensitive and trauma-informed way?

Race/Ethnicity and Gender Data Collection Improvements

SNAPS will form two small teams to work at least 2 years. The core purpose is find ways to help communities better collect data on race/ethnicity and gender identity. The Team membership is constructed to ensure insights into the dynamic of larger race and LGBTQ+ equity issue:

Team:

- People with lived expertise (2 to 4 people)
- Advocacy organizations (6 to 8 people)
- Providers and CoCs (2 to 4 people)
- Researchers, preferably working in academia (2 to 3)
- TA Providers with Subject Matter Expertise (3 to 4)
- HUD staff (SNAPS and PD&R)

Two core activities:

- By October 1, 2021 – develop training resources for case manager use on cultural competence and trauma informed data collection.
- By February 1, 2023 – provide recommendations regarding changes to the race/ethnicity and gender identity data elements. Ideally, recommendations would be provided by Spring of 2022 for testing with CoCs and recipients.

Data TA Strategy to Improve Data and Performance

GOALS

1. Communities use their data to optimize systems of care through making ongoing system performance improvements and determining optimal resource allocation.
2. Communities operate data systems that allow for accurate, comprehensive and timely data collection, usage and reporting.
3. Federal government coordinates to receive and use data to make informed decisions in coordination with other data sets, across and within agencies.

STRATEGY 3:

Continuums and stakeholders use data to improve efforts to end homelessness

Upcoming CoC Resources:

- › Data Maturity Self Assessment Tool
- › Data Analytics On-Demand Course
- › Advanced HMIS: Mobilizing data to address inequities
- › System performance improvement using Stella P
- › HMIS End User Training Guide

HMIS Lead Updates

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Data Analytics On-Demand Course

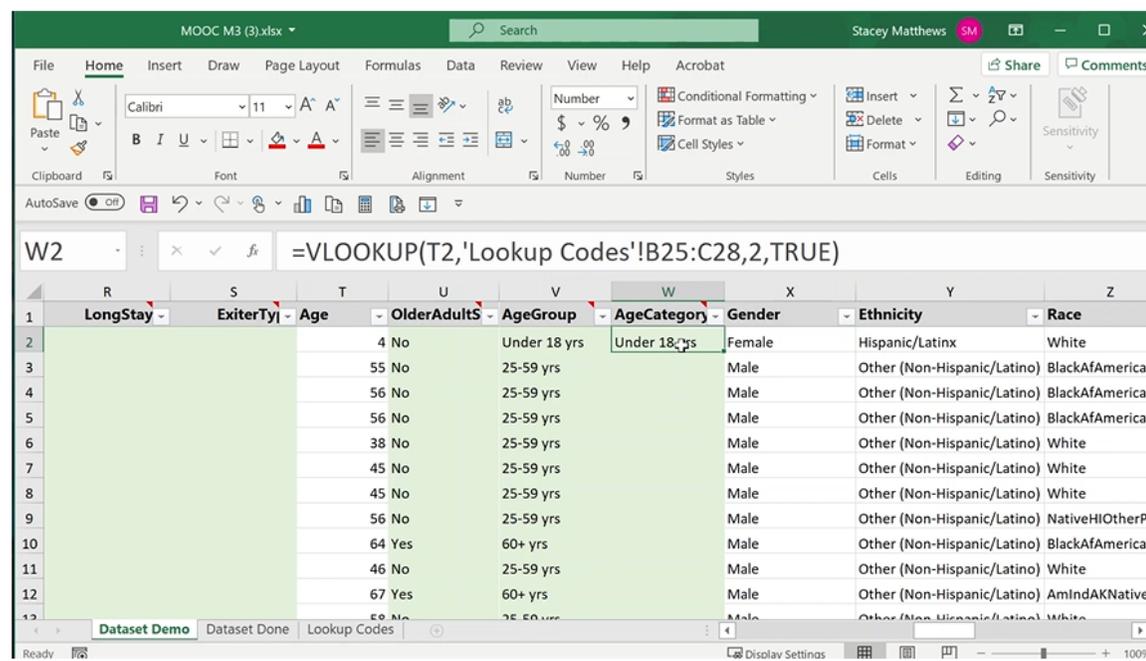
- › Course will provide a conceptual and practical framework for ad hoc reporting utilizing HMIS data.
- › Self-paced course is open to anyone in your community who is interested in analyzing, interpreting, and communicating HMIS data.

MODULES

	Overview
	Module 01: Introduction - Overview
	Module 01: Community Work
	Module 02: The Data Analysis Plan - Overview 

Data Analytics On-Demand Course

- › Registration opens in mid-July
- › The first course launches on 8/2/21, and is limited to 200 spots
- › Information will be provided through the HUDExchange

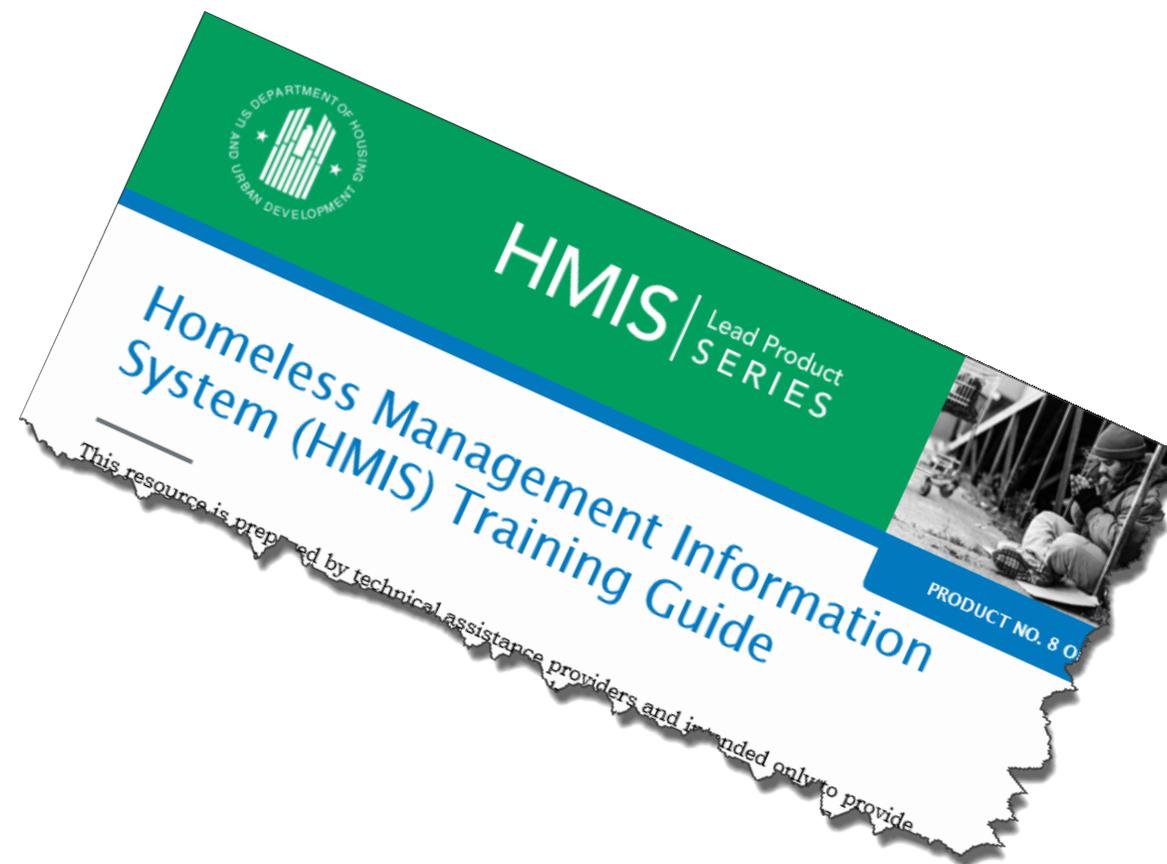


The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following data table:

LongStay	ExiterType	Age	OlderAdults	AgeGroup	AgeCategory	Gender	Ethnicity	Race
		4	No	Under 18 yrs	Under 18 yrs	Female	Hispanic/Latinx	White
		55	No	25-59 yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	BlackAfAmerican
		56	No	25-59 yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	BlackAfAmerican
		56	No	25-59 yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	BlackAfAmerican
		38	No	25-59 yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	White
		45	No	25-59 yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	White
		45	No	25-59 yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	White
		56	No	25-59 yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	NativeHIOtherP
		64	Yes	60+ yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	BlackAfAmerican
		46	No	25-59 yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	White
		67	Yes	60+ yrs		Male	Other (Non-Hispanic/Latino)	AmIndAKNative

HMIS Training Guide

- › Provides general content areas, learning objectives, and assessment ideas for Introductory and Advanced HMIS trainings.
- › Includes “Good Practices” and resourcing ideas
- › Reviewed by several community HMIS Leads
- › Will join the other HMIS Lead products soon on the HUD Exchange!
- › <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6261/hmis-lead-series/>



Data Entry for Emergency Housing Vouchers in Coordinated Entry Systems

- › Required: CoCs and PHAs coordinate referrals to EHV
- › If you're using HMIS for CES locally and want to begin tracking EHV referrals in your CES in HMIS immediately, you can use Response #15 with a note for "EHV" if possible
- › If your vendor will add Response #17 now, you can enter it now
- › Project set up guidance coming soon for EHV housing tracking
- › Remember PHAs have their own data collection requirements for their vouchers (in addition to anything that would occur in HMIS)

Project Set up for ESG-CV Funded RRH & HP (new resource)

- › First and foremost: This is not required nor even recommended as a change to what you are currently doing.
- › HUD still **encourages** ESG recipients to fully fund services and housing provided to each household for an RRH or HP project in their jurisdiction, even if that means reducing the number of households served.
 - Assisting the same household with funding from multiple ESG jurisdictions results in an overcount at the national level of persons served with ESG funding.
- › HUD also encourages CoCs to blend funding together from a variety of sources to best meet the needs of their community, but there are places where former HMIS guidance didn't fully support this concept.
- › Guidance: <https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/COVID-19-Homeless-System-Response-HMIS-Project-Setup-for-ESG-CV-Funded-RRH-and-HP.pdf>

Project Set up for RRH & HP (new resource)

- › This new guidance provides examples of how projects can be setup in HMIS when funds are used concurrently *or* consecutively to respond to the pandemic and end homelessness.
- › Concurrent funding means that the funding from one program or jurisdiction is combined with the funding from another program or jurisdiction in a single project and that each jurisdiction's portion is used for a distinct part of the overall project.
 - HUD has moved to allowing for a SINGLE project in HMIS in the case of 100% concurrent funding from two different jurisdictions, acknowledging that the people reported to both jurisdictions in separate reports will be duplicated.
- › Consecutive Funding means that the funding from one program and/or jurisdiction source ended and the second program or jurisdiction source picked up where the old source ended.
 - Setting up a single project with consecutive funding sources minimizes the data collection burden when a particular source of funds ends and a new one begins.

Resources

HMIS Leads and Administrators Hub:

- Please email HMIS@cloudburstgroup.com to request access

HUD Exchange Resources:

[HMIS Project Set Up and Inventory Changes during Infectious Disease](#)

[Rapid Expansion of HMIS: Things to Consider](#)

[Data and Equity: Using the Data You Have](#)

[ESG HMIS Manual](#)

[Project Setup Tool](#)

[HMIS Lead Series Tools](#)

[Federal Partner HMIS Participation](#)

[Comparable Database Decision Tree](#)

[NHSDC Data Standards Presentation](#)

[NHSDC Comparable Database Presentation](#)

Need to visit past recordings or slides?

- › You can find previous slide decks and recording links on the [HUD Exchange](#)
- › The “old” System Admin HUB goes away Thursday, June 17.
- › All materials will be posted by July 1, including this month’s materials.
- › Webinar announcements now go strictly through the HUD Exchange listserv. Sign up on the [HUD Exchange](#)

HMIS Lead and System Administrator

HUD is hosting HMIS Lead and System Administrator webinars on the **third Wednesday of every month PM EDT**. During these webinars, HUD will provide general and Federal Partner updates to HMIS Leads and System Administrators, solicit feedback on working drafts of tools/products, and provide updates to guide Ask A Question (AAQ) answers and the interactive data tool.

Upcoming HMIS Lead and System Administrator Webinar



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Past Webinars – *Coming Soon*

HUD Exchange Mailing List

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2021 Upcoming Meeting Dates

January 27th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

February 17th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

March 17th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

~~April 21st – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)~~

May 19th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

June 16th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

July 21st – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

~~**August 18th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)**~~

September 15th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

October 20th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

November 17th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)

December 15th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm (ET)