SMAC CES Committee Agenda

August 5th, 2021

9:00-10:30

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1. Introductions – (via chat) (28 in attendance) 5 minutes
   1. Peter Goldstein, Scott County
   2. Sheena A. The Link
   3. Michele Reid, Anoka County
   4. Matt Lewis, RADIAS Health
   5. Rachel Bauer Dakota County Community Corrections
   6. Hope Inman, The Salvation Army
   7. Kristen Brown, Matrix Housing Services
   8. Jen Romero. Carver County.
   9. Rukhsana Ghouse Eastern Twin Cities Islamic Center (ETCIC)
   10. Briana Rutscher - Hearth Connection
   11. Diane Pottratz YMCA
   12. Bill Church- Ally homeless outreach- Dakota
   13. Alyssa Paulson, Hearth CEP
   14. Heather Duchscherer, Hearth Connection
   15. Doreen Farrell - Washington County HOST
   16. Hans Dosland-YMCA
2. Updates 15 minutes
   1. Advisory update
      1. Information:
         1. Variance Request (found at SMACmn.org/serviceprovider)
            1. FAQ, forms on the website
            2. 17 requests in the last 6 months

10 were approved; 7 were denied

7 were RRH to PSH; 6 were prioritization requests; 2 were single to family

* + - * 1. When submitting provide: thorough information on what you’ve done as a provider and the client’s current situation and what you are hoping CE can do
  1. Centralized Actress Update
     1. Information:
        1. Dakota County:
           1. Values what they currently have and want to preserve what they have so they would not duplicate services
           2. Very supportive of the Centralized Access for communities that it makes sense for
           3. Would possibly be involved if Prevention communities were interested in doing something collaboratively
        2. Presenting at Washington & Anoka HH next week
        3. Letter of interest is being put together to identify a service provider so funding search can begin!

1. Priority Pool Prioritization Discussion 45 minutes
   1. Information/Discussion:
      1. Past 6 months have been monitoring single adults increasing in Priority Pool
      2. Power Point Information:
         1. Primarily single adults in the pool now (53%)
         2. Single Adults exiting the PP with a successful referral is only 37%
         3. Current Prioritization Review (See PP)
         4. Options for changing Prioritization:
            1. Move MN Homeless Definition before HUD and MN Months Homeless

This gives this data point the opportunity to influence prioritization (includes data points like couch hopping, disability status

Pro: Keep clients from becoming HUD homeless

Question: Do assessors understand that fleeing violence is considered HUD homeless?

Assessor feedback: It’s not common knowledge when assessors start-there could be more training on this and how that affects placement on CE

Discussion: Will this impact the list that much because people still have to be chronic?

Another question to ask: Does [person of xyz race] chronic + LTH match up with the list of [people of xyz race] LTH?

Response: This is not going to do a ton but it will impact when we need to go further down the list to pull people for programs that have more specific criteria

Could we see chronic numbers by race?

* + - 1. Next Steps:
         1. Bring to Director’s Council
         2. Director’s Council will make a recommendation to Governing Board
         3. Governing Board vote on amended prioritization for Singles
  1. Action Steps:
     1. Overwhelming vote was to move forward and ask for directors council feedback
     2. Liz will bring data to the next meeting to continue the conversation

1. Review actions/next meeting 5 minutes
   1. FYI: SMAC is applying for a CE Assessment/Prioritization through racial equity lens TA