



ARIZONA BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE

VETERANS WORKING GROUP MEETING

1110 WEST WASHINGTON, PHOENIX, Suite 280

2/23/2022—10:00 am – 12:00 pm

TOPIC	TOPICS/OUTCOME	
Call to Order Introductions	211Arizona- <i>Absent</i> ADOH- Cristina Benitez AHC- Joanna Carr AZDVS- Joselyn Wilkinson Catholic Charities- Jarod Brooks Community Bridges- <i>Absent</i> HOHP- <i>Absent</i> JAVC- Pat Farrell Kingman VA- <i>Absent</i>	Primavera Foundation- Frank Real NCHP- Monique Coronado Nation's Finest- <i>Absent</i> NAVAHCS- <i>Absent</i> Solari (fka CRN)- Stephanie Crum SAVAHCS- <i>Absent</i> Phoenix VA- <i>Absent</i> US Vets- <i>Absent</i>
Minutes approval from 8/23/21 and 1/5/22	Pat made a motion to approve the notes from the August meeting, Jarod seconded the motion; motion passed. Stephanie made a motion to approve the notes from the January meeting, Joselyn seconded the motion; motion passed.	
Review Workgroup Purpose	Joanna read the Workgroup Purpose.	
Tableau Dashboard Update	Stephanie updated the group that the final polishing should take about a week and then the live version of the Dashboard will be available. <a href="https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/hmisaz">https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/hmisaz</a>	
ADOH Update	Planning contracts have been sent out; coordination with LCEHs is ongoing- Santa Cruz County is a newly added LCEH, and Graham/Greenlee Counties are in the works.	
PIT Count Discussion	Due to the high count of COVID-19 infections, so the PIT Count was deferred from January until February 22 <sup>nd</sup> as the target date.	
Shallow Subsidy Program	Catholic Charities is experiencing that it's a slow process- most people haven't been successful in transitioning from full support to partial support, either due to landlords not renewing leases or raising rents, loss of income, etc.  Cochise County is experiencing a similar process.	

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	NCHP is having greater success with 26 veterans in the program with no problems.
Race Equity Training	The Racial Equity/Social Justice sub-committee has attended various LCEHs for training to set some grounding work and how to address race equity in the veteran population. Joanna will give an abbreviated training version at the next Veterans meeting.
Update on Veteran serving organizations not licensed with HMIS	ADOH in conjunction with Solari is working out the details for an HMIS licensing process to onboard as many access points as possible. ADOH is requesting that any agency needing an HMIS license is plugged into the LCEH. Cristina is making those connections as requests come in.
Stand Down/Coordinated Entry Update and discussion	Great initial progress has stalled since the CBI navigator's contract is ending; Be Connected might move to virtual assessments vs. in-person at the Stand Down events. The process is evolving. Cristina suggested getting the LCEHs who already have licenses to enter into HMIS to start attending the Stand Down events, rather than relying on "dedicated" agencies/programs, so the task is spread out among more groups; this has worked well in Yuma. AZHC is convening StandDown leaders statewide in March to discuss.
Agency Updates	<p>JAVC is holding a Veterans Resource Fair in Bullhead City on March 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Chamber of Commerce building.</p> <p>Cochise County is having a housing event in April.</p> <p>AHC is working on initiatives around a "higher level of care" for veterans statewide to increase coordination between agencies. Also working with the AZ Pet Project to make funds available for the homeless with pets, which is often a barrier to housing.</p> <p>MFRF is statewide now and is in addition to traditional housing programs.</p>
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## Acronyms

Action Items:

- Cristina will see if Jocelyn and I can present on the committee at the LCEH meetings
- Stephanie will add race and ethnicity and inflow/outflow to the Tableau dashboard
- Joanna/Solari will continue to connect any agency interested in an HMIS license to Cristina
- Race Equity training tabled to next meeting
- Joselyn will present on MFRF

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211Arizona		
ADOH		X
AHC	X	X
AZDVS	X	X
Catholic Charities	X	X
Community Bridges	X	
HOHP		
JAVC	X	X
Nation's Finest	X	
NCHP	X	X
NAVAHCS	X	
Primavera		X
SAVAHCS	X	
Solari (fka CRN)	X	X
US Vets	X	
VA		