

Sonoma County Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry Committee Agenda for August 2, 2023 12:00pm-1:30pm Pacific Time

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	Agenda Item	Packet	Presenter	Time
		Item		
1.	Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions		Committee Chair	12:00pm
2.	Approval of agenda and minutes (Action Item)	1,2	Staff	12:05pm
3.	Coordinated Entry assessment and prioritization redesign update	3	Staff	
4.	Coordinated Entry self-evaluation	4	Staff/HomeFirst Staff	12:10pm
5.	Public Comment on non-agenized items		Public	1:25pm

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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Sonoma County Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry Advisory Committee (CEA)

July 5th, 2023: 12:00pm-1:30pm.

Meeting Recording:

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1) Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions: Matthew Verscheure called Meeting to order at 12:00pm; Thai Hilton, went over Zoom rules around public comment and Brown Act guidelines.

Roll Call:

Present: Robin Phoenix, Margaret Sluyk, Ben Leroi, Mathew Verscheure, Susan Pierce, Sasha Cohen, Sara Hunt, Heather Jackson, Mildred Williams arrived late

Absent: Kathleen Pozzi, Lawrence Taylor to join committee next month replacing Ashlyn Artisan (Burbank Housing), Mary Haynes, Justin Milligan, Thomas Phillips, Wendell Coleman

2) Approval of agenda/minutes (Action item): Approval of minutes from 6.7.2023 CEA meeting, Approval of agenda for 7.5.23 meeting,

Motion: Robin Phoenix moved to approve 6.7.2023 meeting minutes and 7.5.23 agenda; Susan Pierce second's motion.

Public comment: none

Vote:

Ayes: Robin Phoenix, Margaret Sluyk, Ben Leroi, Sasha Cohen, Sara Hunt, Heather Jackson,

Nays:

Abstain: Mathew Verscheure, Susan Pierce

Motion passes

3) Updates to Rapid Re-Housing and Emergency Shelter program standards (Action Item): Thai Hilton shared power point and provided background on RRH/Emergency updates and why updates were made in relation to monitoring from the California Department of Housing and Community Development that occurred in 2022. Went over each policy that was updated; provided in packet.

Motion: Matt Verscheure motioned to approved updates to rapid rehousing and emergency shelter standards as presented in packet; Susan Pierce second's motion.

Public comment: none

Vote:

Ayes: Robin Phoenix, Ben Leroi, Sasha Cohen, Sara Hunt, Mathew Verscheure, Susan Pierce, Mildred Williams

Nays:

Abstain: Margaret Sluyk, Heather Jackson

Motion passes

Public comment:

4) Coordinated Entry quarterly performance evaluation: Hunter Scott, HomeFirst shared presentation on most recent CES performance evaluation, done every quarter. Went over summarized results from evaluation with committee and answered questions.

Public Comment: None

5) **Coordinated Entry self-evaluation:** Thai Hilton, last meeting first section was completed. Based on feedback received in the last meeting slide deck was prepared to go over questions; 10 questions will be covered in today's meeting.

Discussion Notes:

Section A: Planning

Question 11: No questions/feedback Question 12: No questions/feedback

Question 13: policies state "regardless of which access point a participant presents to, the participant must be provided a CES assessment or a warm-handoff to an access point that is dedicated to one of the defined subpopulations". Comment from Home First; not confident this is happening however it is in policies.

Question 14: No questions/feedback

Section B: Access

Questions 1: Sara Hunt- Warm Handoffs people do to best of ability but hard to locate someone at different orgs; but will contact and give a heads up. Request made to provide information to HomeFirst if trends come up.

Question 2: no questions/feedback Question 3: no questions/feedback Question 4: no questions/feedback Question 5: no questions/feedback

Public comment: None

6) Public Comment on non-agenized items: Annie Falandez

-Feedback to provide language for agencies who are on ROI



Sonoma County Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry Advisory Committee Executive Summary

Item: 3. Coordinated Entry assessment and prioritization redesign update

Date: August 2, 2023

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Agenda Item Overview

The lead agency and HomeFirst have been working with technical assistance providers, Homebase, on initial steps of the Coordinated Entry (CE) assessment and prioritization redesign. Homebase held listening sessions with stakeholders to elicit feedback on the current CE processes. Homebase is now holding a series of two-part community meetings with different stakeholder groups, listed below. The first meeting is to educate and discuss the current coordinated entry system's prioritization system - its goals, outcomes, and implementation - and identify areas for change. The second meeting will be focused on options and best practices for changing the prioritization system and tools, in alignment with the community's needs and priorities. At the end of these meetings, the stakeholder groups will select representatives to form a working group that will begin the process of creating a new assessment and prioritization process for the community.

In the September CEA committee meeting, Homebase will present this process and will look for approval of the working group. This group will then move forward with developing a new assessment and prioritization process.

Stakeholder groups

- Access Points
- Service provider executive leadership
- CES prioritization/Case conferencing group
- Permanent housing providers
- Lived experience

Recommendation

None. Information only



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Item: 4. Coordinated Entry Self evaluation

Date: August 2, 2023

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Agenda Item Overview

The Sonoma County Coordinated Entry (CE) policies and procedures state that the Coordinated Entry Advisory Committee (CEA) will complete HUD's CE self-assessment annually. This self-assessment is sometimes required for funding applications. In the June and July CEA meetings, staff and HomeFirst staff guided this committee through the first section of the assessment. The CEA will continue this assessment in the August meeting.

Lead-agency and HomeFirst staff will guide the committee through several questions. Lead agency staff has created a slide deck that will help you understand what each question. Each question will be listed and in red, below is information on the local CE system that responds to it.

Recommendation

None. Information only