

HUD Mandated Changes  
For October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

# HMIS End User Training

September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014

# Presentation Notes...

- Slides are available in your packet
- Please hold all questions to the end of the presentation
- PowerPoint will be available after the session on the TLCHB website

# History

- HMIS Regulations originated in 2004
- Updated in 2010
- The new 2014 Updates address some data use issues, while extending information entry to Federal Partners

# Data Specific Changes

- Data elements have been moved:
  - ***Veteran Status*** has been moved into the Universal Elements
- Quality Elements Added
  - ***Name Data Quality*** has been added to Universal Elements
- Racial Identifiers—3,4 & 5
  - *Racial Sub-Assessment*

# Language Changes

- Program v. Project v. Provider
  - **Program** designates a Funding Source
    - ESG, PATH, CDBG
  - **Project** designates an Organization that provides shelter or services
    - CHOs in the CoC, non-CHOs in the CoC
  - **Provider** is being used within ServicePoint as a synonym for Project (*not in the HUD Standards*)

# New Answers!

- *Didn't Know* → **Client Didn't Know**
  - Only to be used when you asked the question & the client didn't know the answer
- *Refused* → **Client Refused**
  - Only to be used when you asked the question & the client refused to provide the answer
- *Select or Default* → **Data Not Collected**
  - Only to be used when you didn't ask for the question

# Interim Updates

- Right now, we're using the Entry/Exit & Backdate Strategy
  - Entry/Exit are separate from Assessments
  - Data Updates are done via Backdate
- HUD is moving to an "Act" based method of data collection.

# “Act” Based Thinking

- Like a play in a theatre, we should start thinking of client data entry in terms of “acts”.
- The Great Data Entry Play!
- Think of data changes as new “acts”.
- *Entry* is the opening act of the data entry play.



# “Act” Based Thinking

- Data changes within the stay: Interim “acts”
  - Income change:? **Create an Interim!**
  - Healthcare change? **Create an Interim!**
  - Stay has lasted 365 days? **Create an Interim (Annual Update/Assessment)!**
- Exit is the final Act

# Interim Updates

- At Entry, the Entry is created
- Interim Updates are created when information changes
  - Demarcated Entry points for data updates

# Interim Updates

- Annual Assessments are interim assessments which must be created for every client staying equal to or greater than 365 days.
  - Must be created within 30 days +/- of anniversary date
  - Update requirements defined by HUD
- Exit Assessment is created

# New & Modified Assessments

- NEW: Health Care Assessment
- New HUD Verification on Sub-Assessments
  - Goal: To provide detailed assent or denial for each sub-assessment item
  - Health Care Assessment
  - Income Sub-Assessment
  - Non-Cash Benefits Sub-Assessments
  - Disability Sub-Assessments

# New & Modified Assessments

- Racial Sub-Assessment (new)
  - HUD now accepts up to five (5) racial assignments
  - Optional (Bowman suggested sub-assessment)

# Service Point Timing...

- Bowman must make the version with the mandated changes available by October 1<sup>st</sup> (*Must be in our system*)
  - We're updating on **Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 10pm**
  - *System may be unavailable on September 30<sup>th</sup>*
- HUD has said that data entry is effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, but expects implementation and training to take longer.
  - No firm deadline (as of 09/25/14) for data entry.