

HMIS Committee Minutes

September 11, 2007; 10:00am

Attendees:

Alicia Matthews, St. Columba
Juanita Dowdy, ForKids
Michelle Grindstaff, NCSB

Debbie Williams, The Planning Council
Pat Vedomske, The Planning Council

1. PKI Update

Pat Vedomske still needs to install PKI at ForKids, St. Columba, TACT, and Gosnold.

2. ART reports

Pat did not distribute any reports this month. She will have reports for everyone at the October meeting.

3. Status on Stage 1 Opening of HMIS System

The system is now open. All agencies that are participating are sharing information.

4. Status on DHS Participation

DHS is currently in the testing phase. Pat reported that they were not live in the system as of yesterday. Pat has done the training for their users. The suggestion was made to go ahead and schedule the test for the opening of the central intake group for the end of September, beginning of October even though DHS is still testing. If the central intake test is scheduled DHS will hopefully finish their testing before that date.

5. Bed Counts

Pat asked that this discussion be tabled.

6. Access to Mainstream Resources

Debbie Williams will have this information for the October meeting.

7. Homeless Prevention Input into HMIS

Debbie Williams reported that she asked the Executive Committee about plans for requesting agencies to enter prevention services into HMIS as discussed at the August HMIS meeting. Julie Dixon will attend the next meeting to about collecting data that the Executive Committee requested based on the discussion at the last HMIS Committee meeting.

8. DHS participation in ART

DHS needs to make a payment for the ART reports. Pat will talk to Julie Dixon and have her check to see if DHS has paid, and make arrangements if they have not.

9. Other items for discussion

Debbie Williams announced that updates have been made to the NHC website. Each committee has its own page where it can post minutes, documents for download, and any other relevant information can be posted.

Pat reported that the regional work group, while it had been going strong for a while has stopped meeting. Ruthie Hill talked to the Regional Taskforce on Ending Homelessness and there is not the political will for a regional HMIS system. Therefore, the HMIS work group will not be meeting regularly; instead it will become more of a systems administrators group.

The next NHC monthly meeting is September 19th.

Next Meeting: October 9th, 10:00am, NCSB Bute Street Office

Pat recommended that the October meeting be the planning meeting for the next year.