## NC HMIS Orange HMIS Users Meeting



March 2018

#### North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness

securing resources

encouraging public dialogue

advocating for public policy change

### March Agenda

- 1. Welcome + Introductions
- 2. What can Prior Living Situation and Exit Destination data tell us?
- 3. Importance of Interim Updates
- 4. Feedback from you!
  - Where to expect duplicates
- 5. What's next?



## Prior Living Situation and Exit Destination

## How can Prior Living Situation help us paint a picture?

#### **Eligibility and vulnerability patters**

Are we sheltering or housing homeless clients? Or at-risk clients? What percentage?

#### **Completeness and Accuracy**

Where are they just before seeking our help?

How does our workflow collect client data?



## First 2 questions are required for all HoH & adults

#### **HOMELESS HISTORY INTERVIEW**

Chronic homeless status is determined, by a client's history of homelessness, disability status, and the length of time spent on the street, in an emergency shelter, or a Safe Haven (SH).

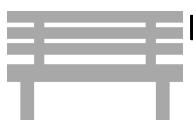
However, intake staff should not instruct the client on the length of time or episodes necessary to qualify as chronically homeless. Responses should simply be the actual client responses.

Questions must be asked exactly as they are presented below.

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Prior Living Situation (Immediately Prior to Entry)	-Select-	▼
Length of Stay in Previous Place	-Select- ▼ G	

### 3 categories for Prior Living Situation

Examples of residences in each category



#### Literally homeless Situation

Place not meant for habitation Emergency Shelter Interim Housing (Chronic Homeless only)



#### Institutional Situation

Hospital Foster care Jail/Prison



Permanent supportive housing
Transitional housing
Rental by client
Includes Missing / Don't Know/

**Includes Missing/Don't Know/Refused responses** 

### Prior Living Situation dropdown in HMIS

Questions must be asked exactly as they are presented below.

Prior Living Situation (Immediately Prior to Entry)

Length of Stay in Previous Place

Approximate date homelessness started:

Regardless of where they stayed last night -Number of times the client has been on the streets, in ES, or SH in the past three years including today

Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES or SH in the past three years

Housing Status

Zip Code (of Last Permanent Address, if known)

-Select--Select----- HOMELESS SITUATION -----Place not meant for habitation (HUD) Emergency shelter, including hotel or motel paid for with emergency shelter voucher (HUD) Safe Haven (HUD) Interim Housing ---- INSTITUTIONAL SITUATION -----Foster care home or foster care group home (HUD) Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility (HUD) Jail, prison or juvenile detention facility (HUD) Long-term care facility or nursing home (HUD) Psychiatric hospital or other psychiatric facility (HUD) Substance abuse treatment facility or detox center (HUD) ---- TRANSITIONAL AND PERMANENT HOUSING SITUATION -----Hotel or motel paid for without emergency shelter voucher (HUD) Owned by client, no ongoing housing subsidy (HUD) Owned by client, with ongoing housing subsidy (HUD) Permanent housing (other than RRH) for formerly homeless persons (HUD) Rental by client, no ongoing housing subsidy (HUD) Rental by client, with VASH subsidy (HUD) Rental by client, with GPD TIP subsidy (HUD) Rental by client, with other ongoing housing subsidy (including RRH) (HUD) Residential project or halfway house with no homeless criteria (HUD) Staying or living in a family member's room, apartment or house (HUD) Staying or living in a friend's room, apartment or house (HUD) Transitional housing for homeless persons (including homeless youth) (HUD) Client doesn't know (HUD) Client refused (HUD) Data not collected (HUD)

At Bottom of list

### Living Situation in HMIS

(all required)

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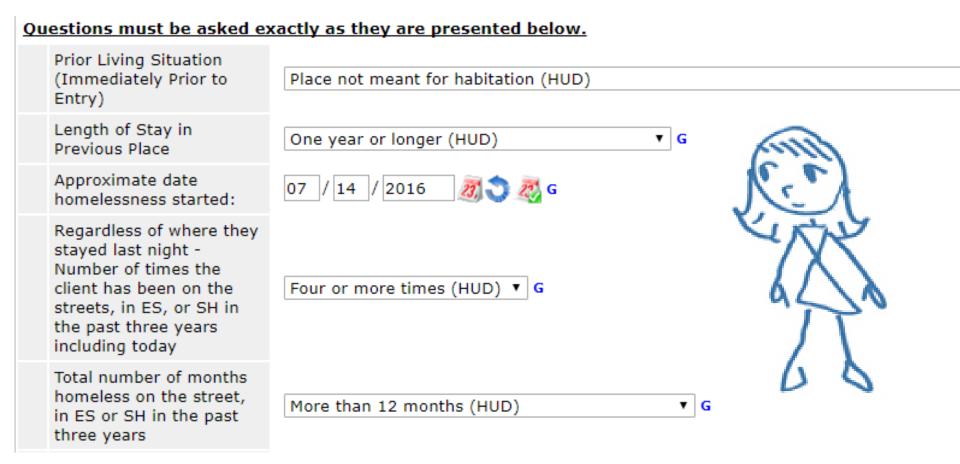
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Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES or SH in the past three years	-Select- ▼ G

### Addie enters Emergency Shelter on 08/15/17

Question	Addie's Response
Residence Prior to project entry?	Streets
Length of stay in prior living situation?	1 year or longer
Approximate date started?	7/14/2016
Total # times homeless in past 3 years?	4 or more times
Total # months homeless in past 3 years?	More than 12 months



### Addie enters Emergency Shelter on 08/15/17



## How can Exit Destination help us paint a picture?

#### **Outcomes and Performance patterns**

Are we sheltering or housing homeless clients? Are the "Reasons for Leaving" patterns that indicate permanent housing success?

#### **Completeness and Accuracy**

Where are they right after seeking our help? How does our workflow collect client data?



### Destination

Definition	Where a client will stay just after exiting a project	
Collection Point	Project Exit	
Subject	All clients	
Special Notes	If client exits without providing destination information to staff, the "No exit interview completed" response should be used	

## Sometimes we don't know where clients went...



12/14/17

03/18/18

Client Presents

Henrietta comes to agency get info about services Project Entry

1<sup>st</sup> night Henrietta is in a ES/TH bed

Staff verify client was in bed 12/14/17 -

03/18/18

03/18/17

**Project Exit** 

Henrietta leaves No destination info is provided



## This can lead to 'red flags' or null responses

When to select "No exit interview completed"

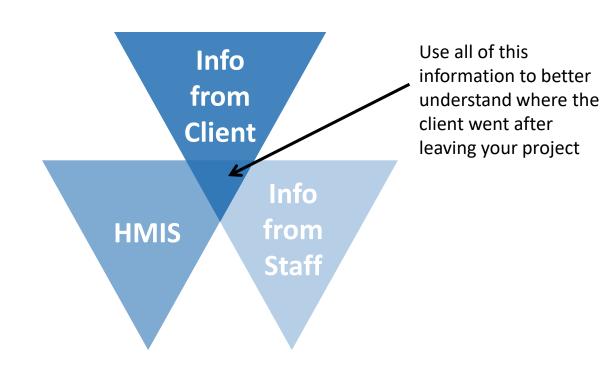
 If sources are not available—client did not provide info, staff do not have info, and there is no HMIS data

Want to use Other? Call the us at the Helpdesk first!

Do <u>not</u> enter record inaccurate information

✓ Missing data is always better than inaccurate data

## HUD encourages us to get more info for Exit Destination



### Sometimes responses aren't updated









1/14/18
Project Entry

Prior Living
Situation:
Hospital

1/15/18 Project Exit

Destination: Staying with friends, temporary 1/15/18 Project Sta

Project Start

**Prior Living Situation:**Hospital

1/16/17

Project Exit

Destination:
Staying with
friends,
temporary

1/18/18

**Project Start** 

**Prior Living Situation:**Hospital

1/19/17

Project Exit

Destination: Staying with friends, temporary











1/14/18 Project Entry

Prior Living
Situation:
Hospital

1/15/18 Project Exit

Destination: Staying with friends, temporary 1/15/18

**Project Start** 

Prior Living Situation: Hospital 1/16/17

Project Exit

Destination: Staying with friends, temporary 1/18/18

**Project Start** 

Prior Living Situation: Hospital 1/19/17

Project Exit

Destination: Staying with friends, temporary

## Every response should align with every entry









1/14/18

Project Entry Project Exit

Prior Living
Situation:
Hospital

**Destination:** Emergency Shelter

1/15/18

1/15/18

**Project Start** 

Prior Living
Situation:
Emergency
Shelter

1/16/17

**Project Exit** 

Destination: Staying with friends, temporary 1/18/18

**Project Start** 

Prior Living
Situation:
Place not mea

Place not mean for habitation

1/19/17

Project Exit

Destination: Staying with friends, temporary



# Reports for Prior Living Situation

## Where to find Prior Living Situation in Reports

#### **Eligibility and vulnerability patters**

CoC-APR

**ESG-CAPER** 

#### **Completeness and Accuracy**

CoC-APR

**ESG-CAPER** 

0408 Client Living Situation

0640 Data Quality Framework



## The Data Center has guides to help!

**CoC-APR Guide** 

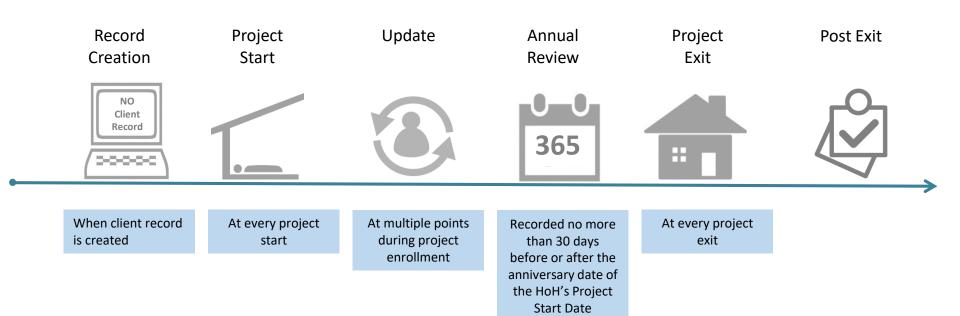
**ESG-CAPER Guide** 





## Update and annual Assessment

## The HMIS Data Collection Stages



<sup>\*</sup>All Permanent Housing projects must record Move-in dates as an Interim Review – Update

## Data collected during enrollment

#### **Updates**

Information that is collected at multiple points during project enrollment in order to track changes over time or entered to record activities as they occur. Is the only place to record move-in date.

#### Annual Assessment

Required for clients enrolled in a single project for 365+ days. Must be recorded no more than 30 days before or after the anniversary of the client's Project Entry Date.

Information must be accurate as of the *Information Date* 



### Permanent Housing projects:

Add update when client moves into Permanent Housing

Program
Entry
06/01/16

**Move-In Date** 06/29/16

**Program Exit**09/01/16



#### **Housing Move-In Date = 06/29/2016**

Add an Interim Update to enter the date

The Housing Move-In Date MUST be entered via an INTERIM ASSESSMENT with a timestamp that occurs after the Project Start and before the Project Exit. If client is not in housing leave this question blank.

This question differentiates between clients who are awaiting placement and those who have moved into any type of permanent housing, regardless of funding source or whether the project is providing rental assistance.

#### HOUSING MOVE-IN DATE (Head of Household Only)

Housing Move-in Date

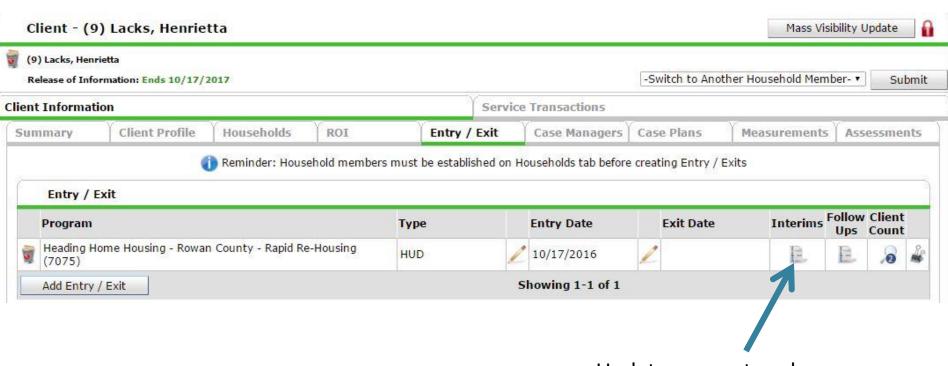






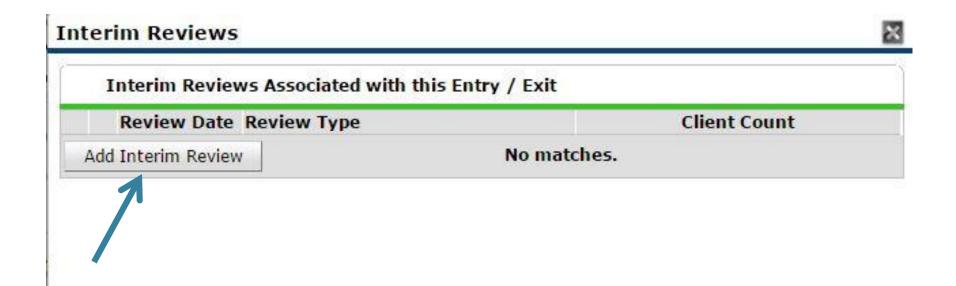
<sup>\*</sup>If no Housing Move-In Date, do not enter a Housing Move-In Date

## Updates in ClientPoint

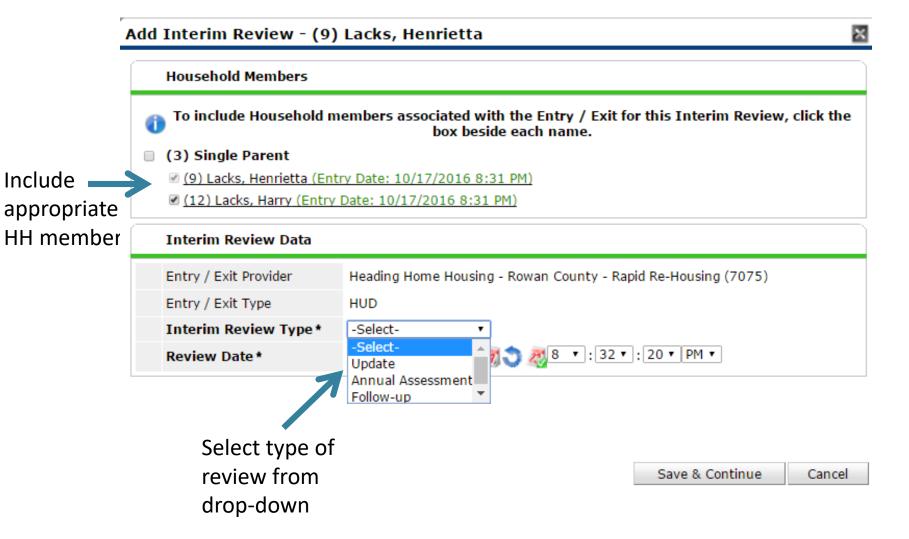


Updates are entered through "Interims"

## Adding an Interim Review



## Select the Review Type

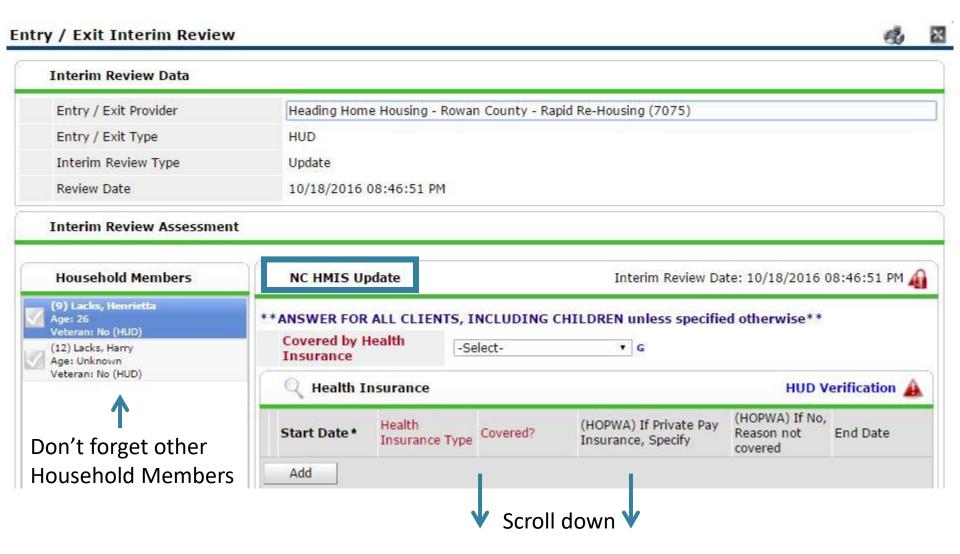


### Enter Review Date + Save & Continue





## Complete Update data entry



## When to complete an Annual Assessment

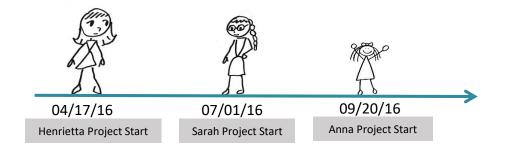
Date Type	Date
Client Entry Date	10/17/2016
Client Anniversary Date	10/17/2017
30 days before Anniversary Date	09/17/2017
30 days after Anniversary Date	11/16/2017

When to record the Annual Assessment? Within 09/17/2017 – 11/16/2017



## Annual Assessment is now based on HoH Start Date

Conducted no more than 30 days before or 30 days after the anniversary of the **Head of Household's Project Start Date**.



Name	R-H	Project Start	Anniversary
Henrietta	НоН	04/17/16	04/17/17
Sarah	Adult	07/01/16	04/17/17
Anna	Child	09/20/16	04/17/17

Annual assessments are based solely on the head of household's anniversary date.

The annual assessment must include updating both the head of household's record and any other family member's at the same time



## Feedback

## Where to expect duplicates?

In preparation for System Performance Measures, the Data Center will review data across agencies for overlapping entries.

Does your agency have any serve clients at the same time as another agency in the community?

## What's on deck

## Upcoming Deadlines and Events

Due	Report Name
Feb 21	ES and TH Deadline for PIT/HIC Submissions*
March - April	PIT/HIC System Performance Measures
March 27	Entry/Exit Training 10 am -1 pm @ NCCEH
April 12	Entry/Exit Training 1 pm -4 pm @ NCCEH
April 16	Next Orange HMIS Users Meeting
April 26	Entry/Exit Training 1 pm -4 pm in Durham
April 30 - May 1	Bringing It Home – State Conference (save the date)
June	HMIS Transition
November	Longitudinal System Analysis (new name for AHAR)



#### ncceh.org/hmis

access local support for Balance of State, Wake, Durham, & Orange CoCs

#### 919.410.6997 or hmis@ncceh.org

helpdesk for local support



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