

Unlocking the Potential of Sharing Data

Community Connections: Aligning Domestic Violence and Homeless Services in Los Angeles

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WELCOME



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Some questions to ground our discussion today...

What are some **concerns** you have or have heard about regarding data sharing & domestic violence...

- Across programs within your agency?
- Between agencies?
- With funding sources?

How do you currently share data & for what purposes?

What are some examples?

What We Know

Agencies that receive funding through VAWA and are defined as a **victim service provider** by VAWA regulations are expressly **forbidden** from entering client data into HMIS, *however...*

Agencies that receive CoC and/or ESG funding are **required** by HUD to enter client data into a comparable database & **report de-identified aggregate data.**

What We Know (continued)

Non-DV providers utilizing ESG or CoC funds are **required** to enter client data into HMIS, even if the client is currently fleeing from violence.

CoCs may choose to make program-specific or system-wide determinations (e.g. partial data elements) to ensure client safety and confidentiality.

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS



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What are some of the **benefits** of sharing information...

- Across programs within your agency?
- Between agencies?
- With funding sources?

What are specific examples of times when sharing data could have helped you better coordinate services for a household in crisis?

ON THE HORIZON



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Current Opportunities

- **HMIS migration to Bitfocus Clarity**
- **Domestic Violence and Housing Technical Assistance Consortium**
- **Learning from other jurisdictions around the country**
 - Clark County, NV; Dayton, OH; Richmond, VA; Others...
- **Learning from local efforts...**



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Future Opportunities

- **DV-Homeless Services Coalition**
 - *Systems & Funding Work Group*
- **City of Los Angeles' Housing and Community Investment Department (HCID)**
 - *Domestic Violence Shelter Operations (DVSO) Request For Proposals (RFP) for Fiscal Year 2018-2019*

Useful Links

- ***2013 Reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act*** (Government Publishing Office)
 - <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-113s47enr/pdf/BILLS-113s47enr.pdf>
- ***HMIS and Comparable Databases*** (Safe Housing Partnerships)
 - <https://safehousingpartnerships.org/key-approaches/access-safe-permanent-housing/hmis-databases>
- ***Coordinated Entry and Victim Service Providers FAQs*** (HUD)
 - <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/4831/coordinated-entry-and-victim-service-providers-faqs/>



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THANK YOU

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