Orange County Continuum of Care
Policies, Procedures and Standards (PPS) Committee

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Time: 3:30-5:00 P.M.

Committee Chair: Maricela Rios-Faust
Committee Members: Matt Bates, Judson Brown, Natalie Bui, Patti Long, Christina Weckerly-Ramirez

Agenda:

I. Welcome and Introductions – Chair Maricela Rios-Faust

a. Chair Maricela Rios-Faust called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

b. Roll Call

   i. Present: Maricela Rios-Faust, Matt Bates, Judson Brown, Patti Long, Christina Weckerly-Ramirez

   ii. Absent Excused: Natalie Bui

II. Public Comments – Chair Maricela Rios-Faust

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a. No public comments

III. PPS Committee Updates – Zulima Lundy, Continuum of care (CoC) Manager

a. **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Policies and Procedures Review Process: The** Office of Care Coordination and 2-1-1 Orange County (211OC) have been working together to identify HMIS Agency Administrators and CoC Board members to engage and participate in the HMIS Policies and Procedures review process. The Office of Care Coordination and 211OC will develop a timeline that details sections of the HMIS policies to be prioritized for review.

b. **HMIS Agency Access Working Group:** The HMIS Agency Access Working Group has been working to evaluate and recommend 14 applications that have been submitted for HMIS access. The HMIS Agency Access Working Group will meet this week to finalize the recommendations for new or continued access into HMIS. The second phase of applications will occur shortly thereafter.

c. **Lived Experience Advisory Committee:** The Lived Experience Advisory Committee Chair Tim Houchen and the Office of Care Coordination will develop a regular meeting schedule and onboarding process for the Lived Experience Advisory committee members.

IV. **Orange County CoC Needs Assessment Findings – Zulima Lundy, CoC Manager, Julie McFarland and Rhie Morris, MDG**

a. Julie McFarland and Rhie Morris from MDG presented an overview of the Orange County CoC Needs Assessment, including findings and recommendations that support improved outcomes for people experiencing homelessness in Orange County. The entire report can be found on the CoC Page:
https://www.ochealthinfo.com/sites/hca/files/2021-08/Orange_County_CoC_Needs_Assessment_Presentation.pdf

b. Public Comments:

i. Donald Dermit noted that he would like to see the recommendations from the CoC Needs Assessment further detailed to implement the recommendations and develop system flow. Donald Demit also commented on Outreach Grid and the need to protect data.

ii. Helia Daigeau from the Dale Macintosh Center praised the CoC Needs Assessment report noting that there was missing language around serving people with disabilities and the barriers that may exist when it comes to accessing housing and services.

V. **Outreach Grid and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) – Zulima Lundy, CoC Manager, and Soo Kang, North Orange County Safety Task Force, City of Stanton**

a. Soo Kang from the North Orange County Safety Task Force presented on the efforts in the North Orange County Safety Task force in the North Service Planning Area around homelessness and Outreach Grid utilization. The North Orange County Safety Task Force is requesting the establishment of a data-sharing mechanism between Outreach Grid and HMIS. Tiffany Pang from Outreach Grid provided a brief demonstration of the Outreach Grid platform, how case managers can utilize Outreach Grid to enroll clients, and how the integration of Outreach Grid with HMIS can provides benefits for service provides. Both presentations can be found on the CoC Page (slides 15-33):
https://www.ochealthinfo.com/sites/hca/files/2021-08/8.10.21%20PPS%20Combined%20Presentations.pdf

b. Recommended Action: Approve the creation of an Ad Hoc to the CoC Board that explores the request to establish a data-sharing mechanism between Outreach Grid and HMIS and return with a recommendation to the PPS Committee

Chair Maricela Rios-Fauset motioned to approve the recommendation. Christina Weckerly-Ramirez seconded the recommendation. The recommended action passed by unanimous consent. Chair Maricela Rios-Faust directed that up to two members from the PPS Committee, one member from

the Data and Performance Management Committee, and one additional member be included in the ad hoc. Judson Brown suggested Matt Bates and Christina Weckerly-Ramirez participate in the Ad Hoc.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:08 p.m.