

PATA Minutes

1/19/17

Facilitator: Kirk Taylor

Minutes: Zach Gross

1. Introductions
2. Approve Minutes
3. Membership Statement and Attendance
4. Performance Improvement Plans update
5. Training Priorities and Plan
 - a. Housing Innovations proposal
 - b. SAMHSA SOAR TA award
 - c. Other Training
6. Review, Score, Ranking and Reallocation Policy
7. Scoring and Rankings
8. Policies to be reviewed and completed - assignments
 - a. Appeals – Karin and Kay Feb. 1
 - b. Priorities for new projects – post system modeling
 - c. Request for Proposal for new projects – Lara and Kirk post priorities
 - d. Conflict of interest - Courtney
9. Recruiting non-conflicted members
10. Agenda items for next meeting
11. Next Meetings
 - a. February 1, 2017 – System Modeling 9 to 11
 - b. February 2, 2017 at 9am to Noon at CHIP
12. Announcements
 - a. YHDP NOFA – Indianapolis not selected
13. Adjournment

Minutes from the 1/5 meeting were sent out digitally by Kay, the committee is to let her know if there are changes

Zach is to check in with Zach Alexander at CHIP to see if membership statements need to be renewed annually.

Zach and Kirk are going to set a time to go over the Performance Improvement Plans and Unspent Funds Plans.

Training Plan

- Housing Innovations proposal: Kirk and Alan have talked about the proposal for training from Housing Innovations. They decided they need to get more information from Housing Innovations. There may be an opportunity to coordinate with IHCD, who is also using Housing Innovations, to reduce cost by bundling their training and consultation as well as lowering travel costs.
- SOAR TA: Zach gave an update about the SOAR process since Indianapolis received the SOAR TA award. Zach and Danielle will be going to Iowa for SOAR Leadership Academy from February 7th-9th. Leslie remarked that Danielle and Zach should assist Horizon house in interviewing applicants for the SOAR case manager position funded through the iHOST grant. There was a discussion about whether SOAR will be required for agencies to do or not. Currently the Written Standards do not require agencies to participate in SOAR, but encourage them to take advantage of available SOAR trainings.
- HIC: There was some discussion about the Housing Inventory Count process. Zach explained that the Survey Monkey link would be sent out soon with detailed instructions. There was a discussion about treatment beds being included in the HIC and PIT, they should not be included if the primary intent of the program is treatment. There is interest among the committee to implement a count that looks at jail beds, hospitals, and treatment facilities that are not typically counted in the HIC and PIT. This would give us a more realistic picture of the system.
- Medicaid: Indiana has an 1115 waiver to allow Medicaid to pay for addictions treatment. Kirk is going to look into other waivers and see if we can get a Medicaid waiver to pay for housing, and if this would be worth it to do. We need to have a better understanding of what Medicaid can pay for with and without a waiver.

Reallocation policy:

- High level changes – Changing scoring to calendar year, lowering the requirement for non-conflicted members, changing the minimum performance threshold to 60 points instead of 50 points. We will need to look at another draft at the next meeting.
- As the policy is written, all of the first time renewals from last year will be in Tier I, which will put more renewal projects in Tier II. However, the policy has a caveat that would allow the committee to put a first time renewal in Tier II if there were extenuating circumstances, such as a large percentage of funding in Tier II. Essential projects, at least HMIS and CE, are also “protected” in Tier I.
- There is some concern about the automatic renewal of HMIS and CE. We need to have a tool to evaluate those projects.

There was a discussion about the CE and HMIS grants taking a large portion of the CoC award. Is there a way we can leverage another funding stream for these projects to free up the CoC money for rental assistance?

There is concern from the committee that the Boner Center consolidated grant is too large and unmanageable with the multiple sub-awards that it has. There was a discussion about that grant and our ability to reallocate it, or shift the funding away from the smaller sub-awards and into one or two

sub-awards instead. A new project cannot take existing PSH clients, so if we were to reallocate that project they would need to take previously unserved clients, they could not serve the same clients.

Possible items for threshold for the 2017 CoC competition: HUD guidelines for HMIS use, participation in CE, attendance at mandatory meetings (monitoring, CoC kick-off meetings).

Several members of the committee noted that they would like the committee to consider "Moving-On" in the future, and that we should incentivize projects that are actively using a "Moving-On" strategy.