



## Working Group Report to the Board August 2020

**Working Group:** Data and Systems Improvement Working Group (DSIWG)

**Champion:** Michele Fuller-Hallauer, Clark County Social Service (CCSS) & Stacy DiNicola, City of Henderson

**Meeting date, time, and location:** August 17, 2020 & August 31<sup>st</sup> (Monday) at WebEx

**Attendees:** Bitfocus: Julee King, Mike Reed; COH: Stacy DiNicola; CCSS: Ashley Brown, Catherine Huang Hara, Danita Osborne-Morris, Jasmine Cook, Kristen Garrett, Matt Manlangit, Michele Fuller-Hallauer; Cloudburst (HUD TA): Ashley Barker-Tolman; Guinn Center: Nancy Brune; HOSN: Louis Lacey; NHA: Genevieve De Lynch; NHC: Christine Hess; NPHY: Arash Ghafoori, Melissa Jacobowitz; NVDVS: Tom McCourt; UNLV: Katherine Marçal

### Accomplishments - Action Items Completed:

- The Group discussed the Status of System Modeling
  - Jurisdictions are working diligently to identify the funding that is available to move towards next steps for the actual implementation of programming for the next 12 months.
- Group discussed the Census Data displayed on the one-sheet drafts.
  - Matt Manlangit presented data from the survey overview.
  - Group will meet again to address concerns surrounding the youth and veterans count.
- The group discussed Operation HOME and the Southern Nevada COVID-19 Housing Surge and Possible Data Elements.
  - The team has identified possible data elements that can be procured through HMIS.
  - Bitfocus is currently creating three separate dashboards.
  - These Dashboards will display data surrounding the effects of COVID-19 on the housing surge.
- Group discussed the possibility of a changing meeting schedule to once a week for a shorter meeting time instead of a monthly 2-hour meeting time.
- For the August 31<sup>st</sup> meeting the group discussed the possible postponement of the 2021 Homeless Census due to safety issues related to COVID-19.
  - The team updated the group on the one-sheet drafts and addressed concerns related to the youth PIT count number.
  - The Team will meet with NPHY and other youth providers to discuss concerns regarding the youth count.
- During the Jurisdictional update, Matt shared with the group that he is working with the GIS team on producing data for the Jurisdictional partners.
- Group discussed the research project application with UNLV. The study is with the National Institute of Health.
  - The study will evaluate to determine whether prevention services are effective in preventing eviction.

**Group will meet again on September 14<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am to 9:30 am and will meet on a weekly basis thereafter.**

**Working Group:** HMIS

**Champion:** Catherine Huang Hara, Clark County Social Service (CCSS)

**Meeting date, time, and location:** August 19, 2020 (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday) at WebEx

**Attendees:** Bitfocus: Julee King; CCSS: Ashley Brown, Catherine Huang Hara, Danita Osborne-Morris, Matt Manlangit; HOSN: Mindy Torres; NPHY: Alison Steinzor; VA: Peter McCoy

### Accomplishments - Action Items Completed:

- Group discussed Housing Inventory Count/Pont in time Count HIC/PIT follow up.
- HIC/PIT count submitted at the end of June to HUD.
  - Group discussed the verification stages with HUD.
  - ABT Associates sent email requesting explanation of changes.
- Group discussed the Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA)
  - Submission timeline for LSA extended by HUD.
  - Team will continue to look at 2019 and 2020 data.
  - Bitfocus will verify data and reach out to agencies.
- Group discussed COVID-19 and Public Alerts.
  - Nora from Bitfocus shared that anyone with HMIS access can input these alerts.
- Group discussed the Housing Program availability Functionality.
  - Programming allows providers to indicate what units they have available in HMIS
  - Bitfocus can program in HMIS the eligibility of various projects.

**Next meeting scheduled for September 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.**