



Data Matters November 2011

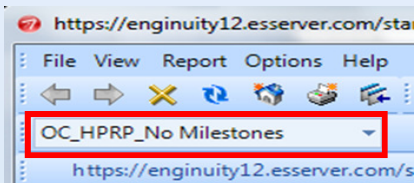
OC Partnership's HMIS Newsletter



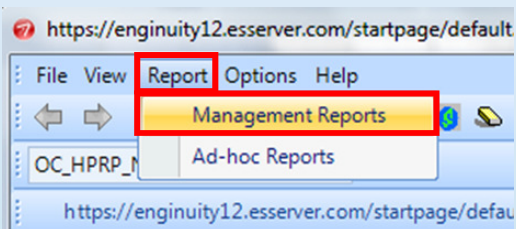
Ask Erin

The APR Details report lists all clients that have been counted on the APR. If your numbers on the APR are incorrect, check the APR Details report to see which clients are not listed.

To run the HPRP APR Details report, make sure the white dropdown says OC_HPRP No Milestones.



Then, click on Report, and select Management Reports.



A browser window will appear. Click on APR HPRP 2010 - Details report. Enter the start and end date of the grant year, as well as the grantee and contract number. Click on view report.

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If you have questions about running the HPRP APR Details report, please email us at helpdesk@ocpartnership.net.

Notes from the HMIS Project Manager

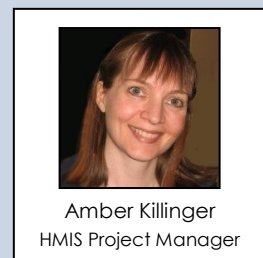
Data Quality – Coming At Us!

I feel like the topic of data quality has been hitting me over the head lately, popping up in everything we do.

1. The HEARTH Act – is all about being able to measure outcomes of our clients, based on quality data.
2. The AHAR (Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress) - We can only participate in the AHAR if our data is good enough according to HUD standards.
3. APRs look at data quality.
4. Our CoC Grant, and how much money comes into our county from HUD – has a lot to do with data quality.

As a CoC, we get more points on our grant application if we are able to participate in the AHAR. We can only participate in AHAR if we (all agencies in our CoC) have high quality data.

So as we become more engrossed this month in reviewing and analyzing data for the 2011 AHAR, you are sure to hear more from us about your agency's data quality, and what can be done to improve it going forward.



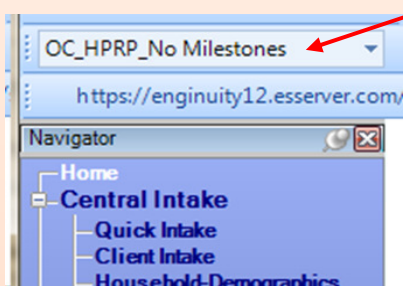
Amber Killinger
HMIS Project Manager



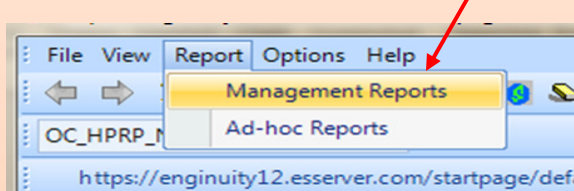
Tips & Tricks by Peter

Running the HPRP APR

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Click on the APR HPRP 2010 report.

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Click on view report.

RFP Progress

(Choosing a new HMIS Software Vendor)

The review committee has wrapped up testing of the HMIS software from 4 vendors and turned in the scoring. OC Partnership has completed testing the system administration side of the vendor software, and is continuing to test the reporting capabilities.

OC Partnership is also finishing up the last of the reference checks, calling agencies that are currently using the other HMIS software to hear first-hand how they like it.

Case managers just finished test driving the software and provided feedback to OC Partnership on the ease of use.

Next steps are scheduling meetings with the vendors early this month, to allow us to meet them in person and have them answer any final questions we have. Look for more news next month!

Newsletter Feedback?

What would you like to see in this newsletter? If you have any suggestions or feedback, send to:

newsletter-feedback@ocpartnership.net



Testimonials

"First of all we would like to express our gratitude for all of your assistance, your staff Peter and Erin have always been professional, kind and extremely helpful to our organization with bringing us up to the level of standards set forth by HUD and the Veterans Administration, we really appreciate your outstanding work! Thank you."

David Montgomery
HMIS Agency Administrator



HMIS Usage

Hello HMIS Team!

Since inception, 60 agencies have participated in HMIS. As of 09/30/2011, they have entered 55,819 clients into the system. This is an increase of 1.30% over the previous month of August, and a 20.59% since 12/31/2010.

HMIS Feedback NEEDED!!

Do you have issues with HMIS that you haven't reported? Maybe old, recurring issues not reported THIS YEAR?



If so, PLEASE submit tickets through HMIS or send to: helpdesk@ocpartnership.net

OC Partnership wants to hear from YOU. We can't fix issues that we don't know about.

Agency Data Spotlight

Did your agency have good data in September 2011?



This month, we looked at the following 3 criteria from page 2 of the Bed Utilization Report:

- 100% Date of Birth
- 100% Race
- 100% Veteran Status

The following agencies met HUD's data standards in these areas in September:

- AIDS Services Foundation
- Anaheim Interfaith Shelter
- Bethany House
- City of Huntington Beach
- Colette's Children's Home
- Families Forward
- Family Assistance Ministries
- First Presbyterian Church of Orange
- Fullerton Interfaith Shelter
- Heritage House Cottages, SCAD-P
- HIS House
- John Henry Foundation
- Laguna Beach Winter Shelter
- Mercy House
- Orange Coast Interfaith Shelter
- Precious Life Shelter
- Public Law Center
- Serving People In Need (SPIN)
- Share Our Selves
- Thomas House Temporary Shelter
- Tyrol Plaza
- Veteran's First
- Villa Center
- YWCA Central Orange County

Thank you to all of these agencies! We appreciate your efforts to keep CMIS data up to date.

NOTE: To see a list of HUD data standards, view the HMIS Data Standards document on HUD's website. http://www.hmis.info/ClassicAsp/documents/Final%20HMIS%20Data%20Standards-Revised%20_3.pdf

Did you Know?



Did you know that in 2010, females were much more likely to be at-risk of homelessness than males, but less likely to be literally homeless and more likely to be stably housed.

Monthly Report Bundle Reminder

It's time again. Remember to run the monthly report bundle each month, and return the signed Data Compliance form to OC Partnership by the 15th of each month.

What's new at OC Partnership

We have embarked on a new project, that of looking at the quality of the data in HMIS and how it will relate to the HEARTH Act. The OC Partnership staff, with assistance from Katherine Gale and Megan Schatz of Focus Strategies, are extracting and analyzing a comprehensive set of data elements that describe our system's ability to effectively move people to permanent housing. We are also looking at the cost-efficiency of our system compared to other high-performing communities around the country.



The HEARTH Act is the new direction for how HUD intends to direct its homelessness funding in the future. Orange County receives over \$15 million annually from HUD under the Continuum of Care funding, by far the majority of funding to serve the homeless population in OC.

HEARTH is very solutions oriented: funding will go to jurisdictions that perform, moving people into housing. HUD is moving us towards a more collaborative approach, with the County being judged on countywide performance metrics.