



# North Carolina Balance of State Continuum of Care

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## NC Balance of State CoC Steering Committee Minutes

July 6, 2021

**Regional Leads Present:** Keri Guidry, Emily Lowery, Arwen March, Bonnie Harper, Andrea Merriman, LaTonya Penny, Marie Watson, James Mercer, LaTasha McNair, Lakitra Claude, Tujuanda Sanders

**At-Large Members Present:** Angela Harper King, Brooks Ann McKinney, Cassandra Rowe, Jefferey Rawlings, Lisa Phillips, Eric Edwards

**SC Members Absent:** Teena Willis, Emily Locklear, Tharesa Lee, Isaac Sturgill, Ellen Blackman, Kelly Benton, Jason Gray, Pamela Atwood

**Interested Parties Present:** Tori Keaton, Cara Moraitis,, Samantha Hall, Alyce Knaflich,, Joey Mosley, Tonya Freeman

**NCCEH Staff Present:** Brian Alexander, Kevin McNamee, Ashley VonHatten, Jeremy Ratcliff, Allie Card

### Approval of Consent Agenda

- The consent agenda was sent out for review prior to the meeting and is posted at: <https://www.ncceh.org/bos/steeringcommittee/>
- The consent agenda was voted on at the beginning of the meeting. Without changes or objection, the consent agenda was approved by common consent.

## **Consumer Advisory Council**

Explicitly incorporating people with the expertise of having experienced homelessness can and should be done to help guide CoC decision-making, clarify CoC policies at the provider level, and provide an opportunity for individual engagement at the CoC level. NC BoS CoC has two atlarge Steering Committee seats reserved for people with lived experience of homelessness.

Staff asked the Steering Committee to consider approving the formation of a Consumer Advisory Council. A motion was made to make the necessary changes to the Governance Charter (version with proposed edits has been posted to the NCCEH website). The Steering Committee approved staff proposal for the Consumer Advisory Council unanimously (Edwards, Philips).

## **CoC Competition Update**

- HUD has initiated the first steps of the FY 21 CoC competition
  - Registration: released in January 2021 and completed by staff.
  - GIW: reviewed by grantees/staff and submitted on June 8.
    - Awaiting final published version for final CoC review
  - NOFA: usually released approximately 6 weeks after GIW
    - Expecting to see in mid- to late-summer

NCCEH reviewed the Intent to Apply submission process which is due 2 weeks after NOFA release. Any agency wanting to apply for a new CoC project in the FY21 competition is required to submit a form.

## **Partners Significant Change Request**

The Steering Committee unanimously approved a motion to Partners requests to revise their Permanent Supportive Housing project budget to move existing Rental Assistance funding to the Supportive Services budget line item (Edwards, Philips).

## **Emergency Housing Vouchers**

Staff gave an overview of the Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHVs) program recently released by HUD. Continuums of Care will have a critical role in this process in the areas of targeting PHAs, eligibility, referrals. The Steering Committee approved NCCEH, as the Collaborative Applicant to prepare and sign individual MOUs for each PHA that accepted EHVs (Edwards, King).

## Upcoming Meetings and Reminders

The Steering Committee was directed to review the following meetings and reminders for July 2021.

- **Local Leadership Response Sharing Call, Wednesday, July 28, 1:00 P.M.**  
Presentation: <https://www.gotomeet.me/NCEndHomelessness>  
Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 975-793-733
- **Coordinated Entry Council Meeting, Monday, July 19, 10:00 – 11:30 A.M.**  
Presentation: <https://www.gotomeet.me/NCEndHomelessness>  
Audio: (646) 749-3112 Access Code: 975-793-733
- **Racial Equity Subcommittee Meeting, Thursday, July 21, 9:00 – 10:00 A.M.**  
Presentation: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/791696621> Audio:  
(646) 749-3112 Access Code: 791-696-621
- **BoS HMIS User Meeting, Thursday, July 17, 1:00 - 2:30 P.M.** Register here:  
<https://www.ncceh.org/events/1464/>
- **Funding and Performance Subcommittee Meeting, Tuesday, July 22, 11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.** Presentation: [uberconference.com/brianncceh](https://uberconference.com/brianncceh)  
Audio: (401) 283-4752 Pin: 13939

Next Steering Committee Meeting is Tuesday, August 3, 10:30 AM – 12:00 P.M.