

## NC BoS CoC Racial Equity Subcommittee

August 17, 2022

**Attendees:** Kenett Melgar, Jefferey Rawlings, Erin Gaskin, Tracey Gruver, Deniece Cole, Lori Watts

**Staff:** Andrea Carey, Laurel McNamee, Tim Bender

### Celebrations/Announcements

- Partners just got new funding to expand services to Stanly and Cabarrus Counties
- The NCCEH Data Center is now fully staffed!
- The first Duplin County Veterans Stand Down was recently hosted and was a great success!

### Racial Equity Assessment

- Andrea shared background on RE assessment
  - Completed annually every year since 2019
- Andrea shared detailed information and visualizations of race and ethnicity data from this year
  - See slides
  - Feedback from committee members discussed the lack of representation for Latinx families.
  - Feedback was provided concerning how the data is being collected for the self report amount of time homeless, and other demographic questions through the Coordinated Entry system, such as racial identity, LGBTQ identities, etc.
  - Members noted that some of the feedback from consumer satisfaction surveys for the CE system is pointing to differences in how the assessments are being administered. More training is needed for consistency in intake and administration of vulnerability assessments.
  - Committee members discussed whether more questions could be added to the funding competition scorecards to insist on training for proper administration of the VI-SPDAT.
  - More advocacy is needed to press providers not to implement a “cookie-cutter” approach, and an individualized, client centered approach is needed from all providers in the CoC.
  - More training is needed for agencies to lower barriers and
- Next steps
  - RE Subcommittee provides feedback on the data
  - September- Steering Committee adopts

### Racial Equity Dialogue Series

- Taking place Tuesday 10/18 at 11:30am
- Topic is to highlight some of the successful work in the BoS CoC

### To Discuss Next Month

- No topics identified

### Next Meeting

09/21/22 at 11:30AM