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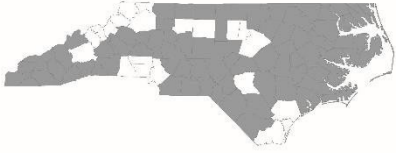
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## NC Balance of State CoC Steering Committee Consent Agenda and Updates

February 6, 2024

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## Section I. NC BoS CoC Steering Committee Consent Agenda

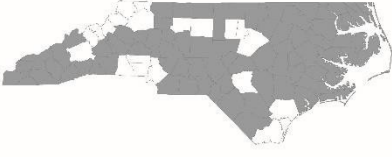
The following will be voted on at the February 6, 2024, NC BoS CoC Steering Committee meeting:

### **January 9, 2024, Steering Committee Minutes**

Available here: <https://www.ncceh.org/files/13406/>

*\*Any Steering Committee member may request to move an item off the consent agenda to be more thoroughly considered. Any such items will be discussed as a regular agenda item at the next Steering Committee meeting.*

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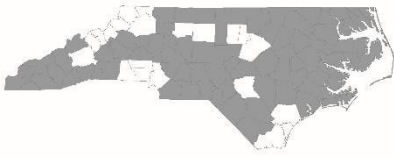
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## Section II. Updates

- **HMIS System Updates**  
**Wednesday, February 7, 10:00 – 11:00 A.M.**  
Register at: <https://www.ncceh.org/events/1665/>
- **Scorecard Committee Meeting #1**  
**Wednesday, February 7, 9:30 – 11:00 A.M.**  
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 896 9440 2076  
Passcode: 420084
- **Lived Expertise Advisory Council**  
**Friday, February 9, 12 – 1 P.M.**  
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 579 903 9481  
Passcode: qYqVY5
- **PIT/HIC Office Hours**  
**Wednesday, February 14, 10:00 – 11:00 A.M.**  
Register at: <https://www.ncceh.org/events/1667/>
- **Scorecard Committee Meeting #2**  
**Wednesday, February 14, 9:30 – 11:30 A.M.**  
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 884 2439 5236  
Passcode: 011821
- **Funding & Performance Subcommittee**  
**Thursday, February 15, 2 – 3 P.M.**  
[Join Google Meeting](#)  
Or dial: (US) +1 929-249-4814  
PIN: 256 826 060#
- **Coordinated Entry Council**  
**Monday, February 19, 10 – 11:30 A.M.**  
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 848 4039 7905

- **HMIS Monthly Training**  
**Wednesday, February 21, 10:00 – 11:00 A.M.**  
Register at: <https://www.ncceh.org/events/1666/>
- **Scorecard Committee Meeting #3**  
**Wednesday, February 21, 9:30 – 11:30 A.M.**  
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 817 7311 0881  
Passcode: 223073
- **Racial Equity Subcommittee**  
**Wednesday, February 21, 11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.**  
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 832 6483 8597
- **Local Leadership Response Call,**  
**Wednesday, February 21, 1 – 2 P.M.**  
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 837 9246 1651
- **Coordinated Entry Council Meeting**  
**Monday, February 19, 10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.**  
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## Section III. Meeting Minutes and Supporting Materials

### Lived Expertise Advisory Council

#### January 12, 2024, Minutes

Attendance: Laurel Benfield (staff), Elliot Rhodes (staff), Rachelle Dugan, Melissa Hewitt, Joel Rice Karen Carroll, Markesha

Introductions: Members introduced themselves to the group, and the LEAC welcomed 2 new members, Karren Carrol in Region 06, and Markesha Daniels in Region 04. After numerous people noted having kids and grandkids, Elliot noted a desire to talk about experiences in shelter with kids. All agreed and will schedule this conversation for a future meeting.

Electing a Chair: The group decided to elect Rachelle Dugan as the official chair of the LEAC, but to quickly designate roles and responsibilities to all involved. Rachelle will be the primary liaison to the Steering Committee and point of contact for NCCEH staff. Further roles will be decided and assigned at the next meeting.

Edits to CY'24 CoC Program Competition Scorecard: Rachelle noted that the questions of agency representation of PLE in agencies is missing a question that is specific to agency leadership. Rachelle would like to see a director level question added. The idea was seconded by Melissa, Karen, Markesha, and Joel. Laurel proposed setting a benchmark at 10% for this new question and revisiting in coming years. All agreed. Laurel will draft the proposed question and forward to Jenny for distribution to the scorecard committee.

Joel noted that small programs in rural areas do not have the capacity to even apply for funding. Can the BoS support the areas that don't have any resources in a different way? Laurel described NCCEH's current technical assistance efforts and noted the administrative barriers for agencies that receive public funding.

CBoR Training next steps: Laurel noted that the Region 09 regional lead has responded that January was not a good month for a LEAC presentation of the Client Bill of Rights (CBoR), but that February would work. Laurel will confirm Feb and look for another Region to schedule a presentation in during February.

#### Next meeting

February 9 at 12 P.M.

## **Racial Equity Subcommittee**

### **January 17, 2024, Minutes**

Charter: identify areas in the North Carolina balance of state Doc's policies that may contribute to racial disparities in access and service from the homeless system and to recommend changes to them.

#### Participants:

Amber Story: Partners Health  
Dr Deniece Cole  
Gretta Worley - Here in Jackson  
Kimberly Anderson-Hansson  
Kisha Darden: Trillium  
Lori Watts: Vaya Health (Boone)  
Melissa Lowel PSS CLC: Central Pines Regional Council  
Tradell Adkins: Sanford Community Development  
Ezra: Blue Ridge Community Health

#### NCCEH:

Elliot Rhodes  
Laurel Benfield  
Teresa Robinson

#### ESG Scorecard

Question: When scorecard asks about people served by street outreach, are those demographics based on national demographics or regional?

We get that information from PIT count, HMIS and we know BIPOC people are more represented in homelessness. The question is about power - people in decision-making capacity. We understand that eastern NC looks different from the mountains so we set a percentage not a number.

Suggestion: community-based training, seeking people to fill roles to increase diversity, trainings to bring dialogue up to date

Suggestion: how do you reach out to applicants of color, percentage of applicants for jobs. Percentage of POC who were hired. Hiring events targeted at communities of color.

Idea: work group for ESG 2025 scorecard

#### Racial Equity Survey

Idea: Readings before meetings

Shift 2023 goals to next year

Example concept: requiring background checks before shelter bed perpetuates racism because overcriminalization of people of color. Implementing racism from another system.

**Next Meeting:**

February 21 at 11:30 A.M.

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**Next regular Steering Committee meeting:**

Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 10:30 A.M.