

# Continuum General Assembly Minutes

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## Date and Time

Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> 2011 from 12:00PM-1:00PM

## Location

Federal Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, HUD Conference Room, 275 Chestnut Street, Manchester, NH

## Attendees

Elise Annunziata	Jennifer Comeau	Susan Howland	Shane Fisher	Jocelyn Pinsonneault
Jay Mattia	Kevin Kinter	Monika Bryant	Carlos Agudelo	Mary Loughlin
Cathy Kuhn	Kyle Beaulieu	Dick Webster	Tommy Lemoine	Nicole Starkey
Dominique Rust	Levi Kafka	Mary Sliney	Craig Chevalier	Kelly Sennott
Donna Curley	Lisa Jacobus	Nan Comai	Craig Everett	Kat Freeman
Jennifer Bergeron	Mark Stokes	Maureen Beauregard	Dave Carroll	Pascale Etienne

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## Voting on Minutes

- Voice vote. **Approved.**

## Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

- Outcomes
  - 1<sup>st</sup> outcome – exceeding both HUD & MCoC
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> outcome – under HUD and under MCoC
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> outcome – exceeding HUD but under MCoC
- There will be an upgrade from 4.0 to 5.0
- Submitting in an application to a foundation to help organize with resources to help launch this.
- They're looking into opportunities for the state to leverage this.
- Hoping to train providers in July and launch the newest version of the program in August.
- Started a new monthly newsletter that will be managed by the new VISTA.
  - It will be used as a way to communicate updates in what's going on in terms of HMIS.
- 4.0 Refresher training Monday October 17 in Nashua at Harbor Homes on 45 High Street.
  - Reminder to agency administration to notify when there is a change in staff.

## SuperNOFA Grant Update

- For the exhibit 2 there were no logic models. But there is heavy emphasis on education
- HUD likes if you've identified a child in getting them back to their school of origin. It is important to demonstrate that you have policy and procedures in line with the McKinney Vento Act
- Scoring is the same as last year.
- Agencies interested in new project funding need to send an exhibit 2 in a PDF format to Susan by September 30, 2011.
- The Peer Review Committee will select winning agency by Oct 11, 2011
- This year's SuperNOFA application will be sent through e-snaps by October 18, 2011.
- In terms of the permanent housing bonus the continuum is trying to keep it at maximum 20% of services attached. The continuum is considered more competitive with more emphasis on housing.
- Data Collection committee needs Apr's for all organizations submitting exhibit 2's by Sept 23 email Cathy Kuhn.



- A bill is going to the floor of the House of Representatives provided that Senate and T- HUD draft their own bills.
  - With this bill agencies should have a good idea of what will be funded.
- Governor Lynch will not be running for re-election again.

### **MCOC Social Media and Newsletter Update – Pascale Etienne**

- Pascale Etienne will be emailing the MCoC a survey for feedback on what they'd like to see reflected in presentations, newsletter, social media.
- Email her at [vista@mcoch.org](mailto:vista@mcoch.org) for anything you'd like to see reflected on facebook or twitter.

### **Homeless Services Center: Update – Craig Everett**

- During August, the Center had on average 133 clients per day and 629 unique individual clients since July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 8 students from St. Amslem's will be coming to take photographs of the clients.
- Currently interviewing VISTA volunteers and for the Assistant Manager position.

### **Open Floor**

- Mary Loughlin from the Food Bank emphasized how the NH Dept. of Health and Human Services is now trying to promote doing food stamp applications online. Can go to [www.nheasy.nh.gov](http://www.nheasy.nh.gov)
- Comcast is providing \$10 internet a month to low income families whose children already get a free lunch at school. Can also get a \$150 coupon to get a laptop for trainings.
  - It's not known yet how'd one access it.

### **Committee Updates**

- Wasn't held because meeting started late. Group was in agreement to bypass committee updates for this meeting.

### **Minutes Prepared By**

Pascale Etienne

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