HMIS Coordinated Entry

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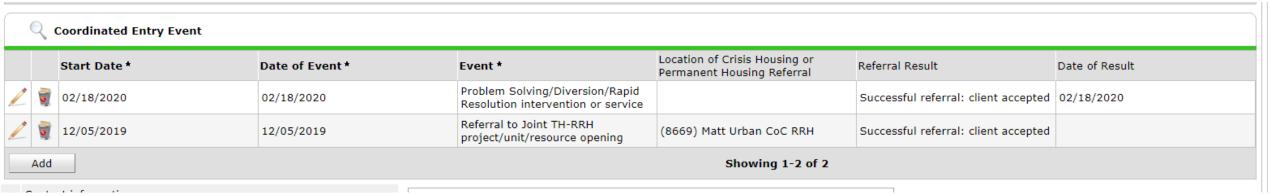
Overview

- HUD has decided to standardize what data they want to collect for Coordinated Entry. Before this year, it was up to the local communities to use their own methods.
- There will be a new <u>System Wide</u> Coordinated Entry Report to help us report on who is accessing CE and where clients are referred.
- We are modifying our proposed HMIS CE workflow from earlier this year to lessen the data entry burden on users and reflect our communities "No Wrong Door" approach.
- Reminder that this goes into effect OCTOBER 1st 2020. But there are no backdating requirements.

Main Changes

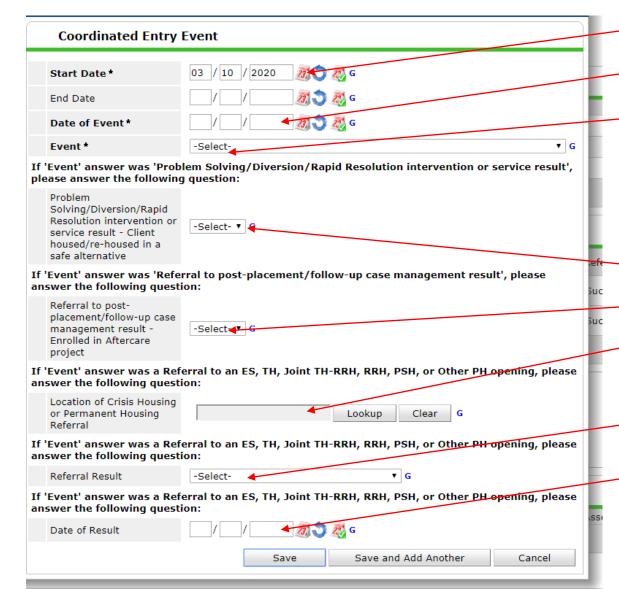
- There are Two (2) new CE questions and One (1) additional question.
 These questions will replace the current CE assessment.
 - 1. An Assessment Question
 - 2. An Event Question
 - 3. A Current Living Situation Question
- These questions will be added to the HMIS Intake(Start Date), Interim Review, and Exit Assessments.
 - This way these questions can be updated over time to show a client's progress through CE.
- The Assessment tab will be used for just recording the VISPDAT itself.
 Everything else regarding CE data will be entered in the Entry/Exit tab.

Event Question



- This question is designed to capture access and referral events, as well as the results of those events.
- It will help communities understand the events that go into achieving desired (and undesired) results through the CE system.
- This question can be updated and added to multiple times each time an event happens. **USE INTERIM REVIEW OR EXIT TO UPDATE DATA.**
- Example:
 - 1. Referral to CE for housing needs assessment-(Add new event) at start date
 - 2. Referral to RRH-(Add new event) In interim review
 - 3. Referral result to RRH-(Update existing RRH event) In interim review
- We can add new fields to this question but cannot remove any existing fields*

Event Question



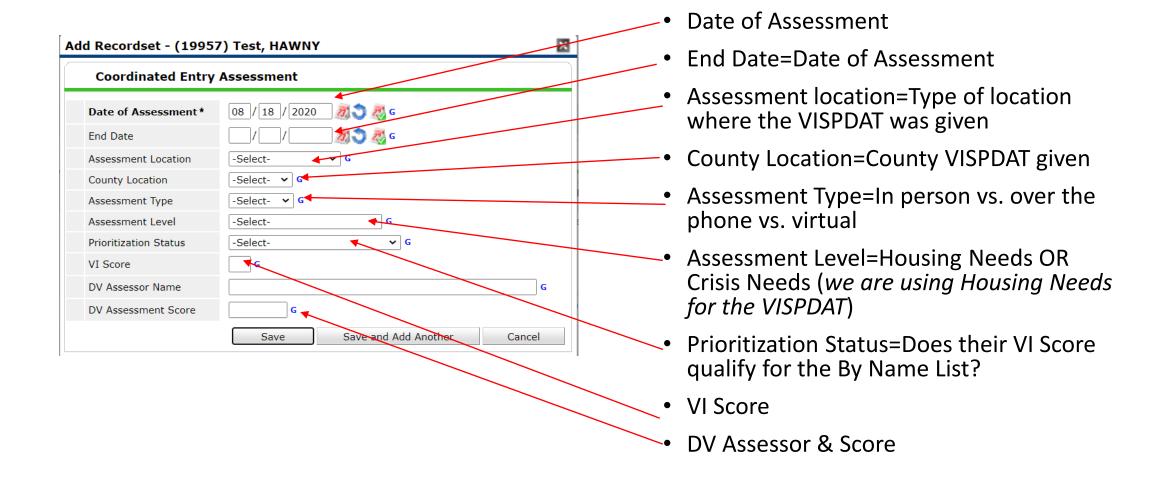
- Start Date=Date data is entered
- Date of Event=Date event occurred
- Event=Access or Referral Event
 - Access: Referral to prevention/ diversion program OR to Coordinated Entry
- "If" Questions
 - Diversion result housing? y/n
 - Post Placement isn't used in our CoC
 - Referral to ES, TH, RRH, TH-RRH, PSH or other PH=which project the client was referred to
 - Referral result=successful vs unsuccessful
 - Date of above result
- This section can be "updated"

Assessment Question

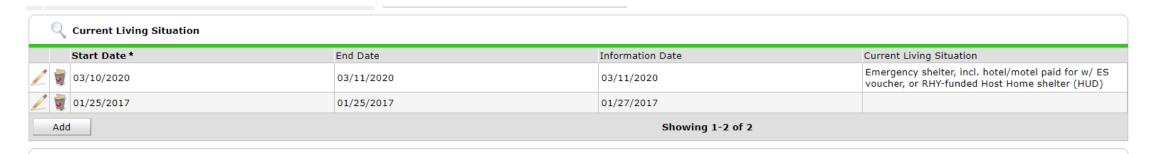


- Designed to be a flexible data element that collects an assessment date, location, and assessment results.
- It allows CoCs to define their own assessment questions and responses, categorize different types of assessments (crisis needs versus housing needs).
 - The VISPDAT is both a housing and crisis needs assessment but for this purpose we will be calling it a housing needs assessment
 - We can add additional assessments if needed or requested*
- Example:
 - Situation: Client takes the VI 4 days after initial start date.
 - HMIS workflow: Add the VI to the assessment tab and then add an interim review update to add the VI score to this question.

Assessment Question

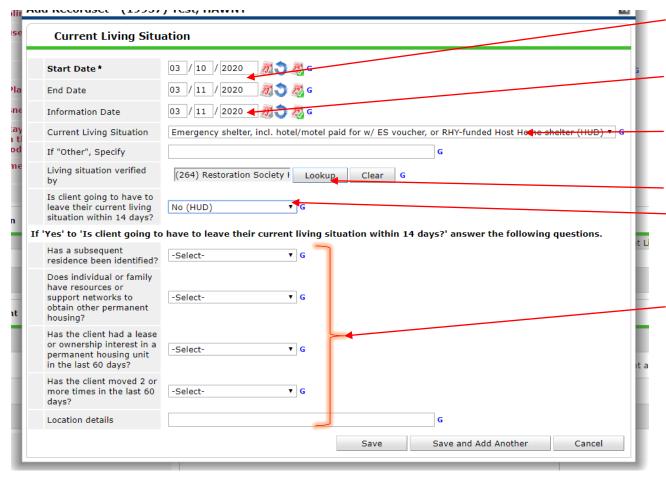


Current Living Situation



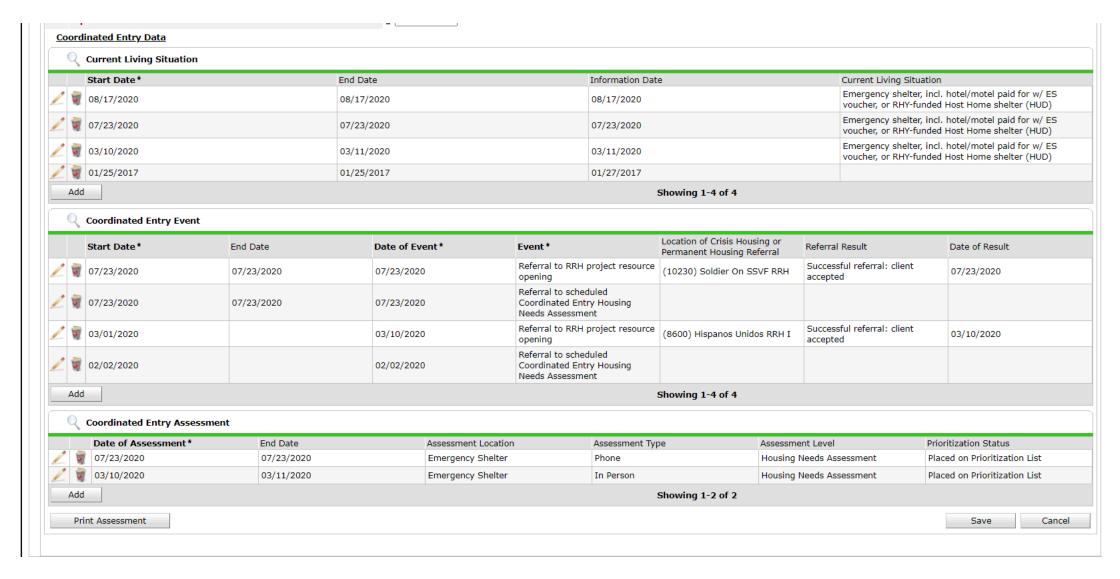
- Designed to capture information on where a person is staying at a point in time.
- It can be updated at each point of contact and will help communities track where people are, including those who are not assessed or referred to CE events.
- This mainly needs to be filled out at the time of a CE event (VSPDAT or referral) or their living situation changes (move in date)
- This is already collected by Outreach teams

Current Living Situation

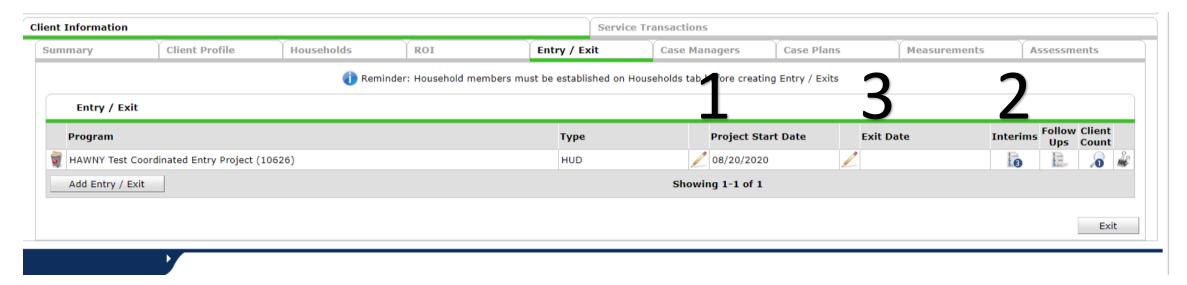


- Start Date & End Date-Todays date for both
- Information Date-Date the data was collected (usually the start date)
- Current Living Situation-Where the client is currently staying
- Verified By-Search for your provider
 - Is client going to leave their current situation in 14 days? y/n
- If No, then click save
- If yes Questions:
 - Housing Identified-y/n
 - Does client have support network-y/n
 - Had client had interest in housing-y/n
 - Has client moved 2x or more in last 60 daysy/n
 - Location Details-where the client is moving to

HMIS Assessment Screenshot



HMIS Workflow Screenshot



There are 3 Data Entry Points (Occurrence Points) in the Entry/Exit tab for when you enter a client's data:

- Start Date-The initial assessment of a client. (intake date)
- Interim Review Date (Update)-If any data needs to be updated between the start date and the exit date of a client, that data is entered here.
- 3. Exit Date-The client's data reflected as of the exit date. (discharge date)

Workflow Diagram

Normal Entry

 Your provider's normal intake and ROI procedure. Add "Event" where client is referred to take VISPDAT and update CLS.

Client Takes VI

Add Interim
 Review and add
 "Assessment "
 with date and
 score. Also add
 actual VISPDAT to
 HMIS in
 Assessment tab.

Client Gets Referral

Add Interim
 Review and
 add "Event"
 with the
 referral date,
 housing type,
 and agency
 name.

Referral Successful

Add Interim
 Review and
 edit referral
 event with the
 successful
 referral
 outcome and
 date and
 update CLS.

Referral Unsuccessful

Add Interim
 Review and
 edit referral
 event with the
 unsuccessful
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 date and
 update CLS.

Summary of Changes

- We are taking the CE data that used to be in the assessments tab and moving it to new spot in HMIS.
 - Assessment tab → Entry/Exit tab
- We are collecting the <u>same data</u> just in a different way.
 - Old CE questions → New CE questions
- Updated Materials such as data collection forms, flowcharts diagrams, and workflow screenshots will be available that have the new questions and outline the new procedure.
- Further training is available upon request!

Why the changes?

- By enhancing data collection and standardizing data on assessment, prioritization, and referrals, communities can assess CE effectiveness
- The data from these elements helps answer critical questions to inform strategies for strengthening communities' response systems and ability to appropriately target resources:
 - Are pathways to housing as fast and effective as they can be?
 - Are we successfully diverting people from the system?
 - Are we housing the most vulnerable people in our community? Who's getting left out?
 - What resources are needed to end homelessness and where are the gaps?
 - Which households touch the system and exit without a homelessness intervention versus those who need our assistance?