



March Newsletter

The mission of the NYC Continuum of Care (CoC) is to provide a leadership role in local planning and coordination to prevent and eradicate homelessness in New York City, while effectively implementing the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Continuum of Care program.

HMIS Data Warehouse – Software Transition

The NYC HMIS Warehouse is transitioning to a new software vendor over the course of 2023. Go to our [website](#) to see updates on the transition, slides from our February listening session, and times and dates for our March office hours.

NYC CoC Evaluation

The appeals process has concluded, and providers will be notified of the appeals committee decision(s) the week of **March 6th**. Final evaluation results will be posted **the first week of April** to allow projects with December 2022 contract end dates to finish claiming their grant funds.

[Click here for more information!](#)

CAPS Committee Recruitment

Funding Opportunity

SAMHSA Grant

Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals

The purpose of this program is to provide comprehensive, coordinated, and evidence-based treatment and services for individuals, including youth, and families with substance use disorders (SUDs) or co-occurring mental health conditions and SUDs (CODs) who are experiencing homelessness.

**CoC Providers - These funds can be used to fund SOAR dedicated case managers.*

Application Due

Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Award Amount: Up to \$500,000 per year per award

Length of Project: Up to five years

Cost Sharing/Match Required?: No

[Click here for more information](#)

[Click here to download the NOFO \(.pdf\)](#)

The Coordinated Assessment and Placement System (CAPS) Committee is kicking off three new workgroups!

1. Systems workgroup
2. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion workgroup
3. Ad Hoc LL3 Report Follow-up workgroup

If you are part of the NYC CoC and are interested in joining a CAPS workgroup:

[Click here to fill out the survey form!](#)

SSI Legislative Proposal

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and the National Coalition for the Homeless (NCH) are introducing federal legislation that addresses a portion of the benefits cliff-related barriers that lived experience advocates face while providing consultation for the homeless services system.

Fact Sheet: [SSI Legislative Proposal Fact Sheet](#)

Help Reduce Barriers to Lived Experience Advocacy by Showing Support for the Federal Proposal: [Legislative Affairs \(lahsa.org\)](#)

Please consider completing this survey if you are a person with lived experience of homelessness, and please help spread the word by sharing with your networks. The information collected from this survey will help to remove current and future barriers to compensation for people with lived experience.

Survey: [Anonymous Benefits and Income Survey for Lived Experience Advocates](#)

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RRH Roundtable Discussion Series: Serving Households with Limited or No Income

Conferences/ Webinars

[Medicaid Unwinding:
Helping service recipients
keep their health care
coverage](#)

March 14, 2023, at 1:30 PM EST
- Online

NHCHC, CSH and NAEH are presenting on what Medicaid 'unwinding' means for homeless services and supportive housing providers. Covering what Medicaid redetermination means and how you can assist your service participants in taking steps now to get ready for the process.

[NLIHC Housing Policy
Forum 2023: Onward to
Housing Justice](#)

March 21-23 at the Hilton
Washington DC Capitol Hill Hotel
in Washington, D.C.

The forum will feature a discussion with Federal Housing Financing Agency (FHFA) Director Sandra Thompson about the path forward for ensuring tenant protections and affordable housing for those most in need in America.

[CSH Supportive Housing
Summit 2023](#)

May 31 - June 2, 2023, in
Philadelphia - In Person

The CSH Supportive Housing Summit 2023 theme is Building the Field. This theme addresses the urgent need for the resources — funding, training, network, and guidance — that equips the supportive housing field to invest in both quality housing and a sustainable and equitable workforce.

Tune in to hear how effective rapid rehousing programs are designing services and preparing and equipping program staff and participants to navigate the challenges of increasing income and decreasing expenses to promote housing stability.

This is session three in round two of HUD sponsored RRH Roundtable Discussions. In the past, practitioners, policy-makers, and people with lived experience of homelessness have shared their thoughts, challenges, and promising practices on topics including racial equity, assertive engagement, and landlord recruitment.

Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM EST

[Click here for more information!](#)

Resource Digest for Homeless Providers

HUD and its partners are issuing guidance from subject matter experts on best practices and lessons to support partnerships between public health authorities, homeless service systems, partners at the local level, and the vulnerable households served.

This digest contains recently published resources from HUD's Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) and its national, state, and local partners.

For additional support, HUD is available for office hours.

Upcoming Office Hours: Friday, March 17, 2023, at 2:30 PM EST

[Click here for more information!](#)

Restarting of Medicaid Renewals

Starting April 1, 2023, states will restart yearly Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) eligibility reviews, using the information they currently have to decide if family members still qualify for Medicaid or CHIP coverage. **Most children can still be covered through CHIP.**

If a state needs more information to make a coverage decision,

Job Opportunities

Safe Horizon's Streetwork Project

[Peer Services Housing Navigator \(Harlem drop-in center\)](#)

[Other Streetwork Project Job Openings](#)

The Jewish Board

[Ukrainian/Russian Speaking Clinical Social Worker - Brooklyn](#)

[Social Worker Supervisor - Bronx](#)

[Harlem Act Team Department Director - Harlem](#)

[Therapist - Staten Island](#)

[Clinical Consultation Supervisor - Brooklyn](#)

[Behavioral Health Supervisor - Queens](#)

Please send job postings your organization has to nyc.coc@dss.nyc.gov if you would like them to appear on the CoC monthly newsletter.

Committee Updates

Congratulations Gina Cappuccitti and Destiny Sheftall on being elected as Co-chairs of the Domestic Violence (DV) Committee!

Gina currently serves as the Director of Housing Access at New Destiny. Destiny Sheftall works as an impacted advocate

they will send a renewal letter in the mail so it's important for anyone who has moved to make sure that their contact information is up-to-date.

Here are three easy steps families can take to prepare for the renewal process:

- **Update their contact information**
- **Check their mail**
- **Complete their renewal form (if they get one)**

[Click here to learn more!](#)

Member Spotlight



Rob Robinson

Honored by the University of Dayton Human Rights Center

CoC community member and former chair of the PWLEx committee, Rob Robinson will be honored with the Romero Human Rights Award on March 24th, 2023. Presented to an individual or organization promoting the dignity of all human beings and alleviating human suffering.

Rob currently works as a senior advisor at Partners in Dignity and Rights and is a human rights movement-builder with roots in New York City and networks worldwide. His work focuses on economic justice and addresses issues such as debt, police violence and access to broadband.

[Click here to learn more and to register!](#)

at New Destiny and is currently a New Destiny tenant.

Join a Committee!

If you are not involved in any CoC Committees, now is a great time to join! Currently, Performance Management and Performance and Quality Improvement (PQI) are looking for new members. PQI is also looking for an additional co-chair to lead the group.

[Click here for more information!](#)

Stay Connected

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Thank you,
[NYC CoC](#)

[Martha Kenton](#), Executive Director of Federal Homeless Policy

[Jonathan Martinez](#), Deputy Director of Community Engagement and Partnerships

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