

HMIS Training

DC 102: FAMILIES ENTRY/EXIT WORKFLOW



Agenda

- HMIS Basics
- Introduction to ClientPoint
- •The Entry/Exit Workflow
- •What does entry mean for my project type?
- Creating a new client
- Completing Client Profile information
- Creating a household
- Creating an entry

- Entry Assessment
- Exiting a client
- Exiting a household
- Common Data Entry Errors
- Additional Resources



HMIS Basics

•DC's HMIS

Visibility Basics

Data Security



Homeless Management Information System

- •Tool required by funders of homeless services providers
- Way to keep track of services, case plans, assessments, and housing for clients
- •Way for community to learn of system flow and cracks in our homeless response system

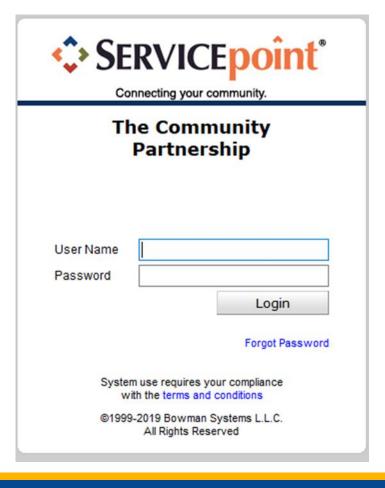
 This is all thanks to YOU for completing accurate and timely data entry for the clients you serve!

What is HMIS?

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ServicePoint – DC's HMIS Software





Who Can See What?

Visibility and Data Security

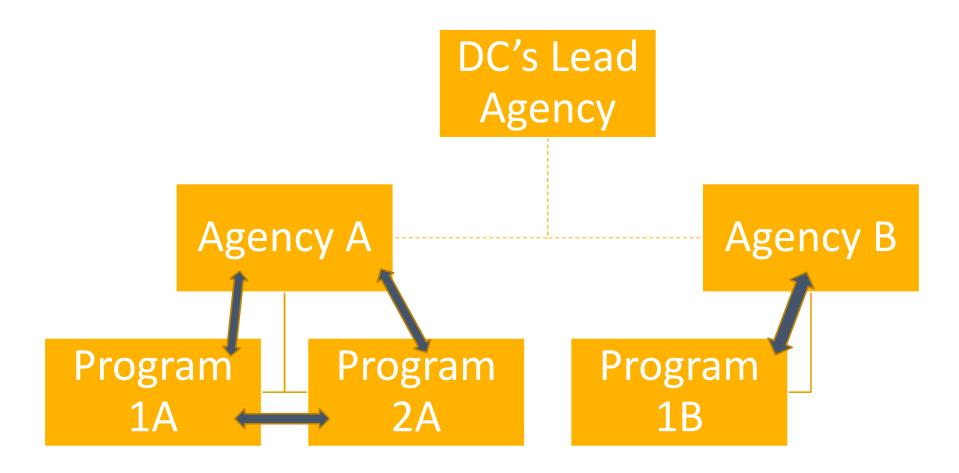
•The database contains hundreds of thousand client files, each with dozens of project stays, services, and case notes.

•Having a visibility structure is important to ensure client information is protected, while also ensuring agencies and programs are able to work together to help clients.

•Client choice to share their program level information is at the heart of our visibility structure.



Visibility Basics — Current Structure





HUD UDEs - What's Shared & What Isn't

UNIVERSAL IDENTIFIERS (ONE ANSWER PER CLIENT RECORD)

- Name
- Name Data Quality
- Social Security Number
- Social Security Number Data Quality
- Date of Birth
- Date of Birth Data Quality
- Race
- Ethnicity
- Gender
- Veteran Status



UNIVERSAL PROJECT STAY ELEMENTS (ONE OR MORE VALUES PER PROJECT STAY)

- Disabling Condition (Yes/No)
- Project Start Date
- Project Exit Date
- Destination
- Relationship to Head of Household
- Client Location
- •Housing Move in Date (for RRH and Permanent Housing projects)
- Prior Living Situation



Family Shelter, Outreach, and Prevention

- This is a group of programs that are sharing client program data amongst themselves
 - Release of information (ROI) signed at Virginia Williams allows this to happen.

- ALL Client data created by these programs are shared with the other programs
 - AS LONG AS the information is tagged as coming from one of the following programs.
 - If it is coming from a different program (even within an Agency that has one of those programs) it will not be shared per the agreement of the ROI.

- Temporary Shelters for Families
- Overflow motels/hotels for Families
- Virginia Williams
- Homeless Prevention Programs for Families
- Short Term Family Shelters



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CAHP Data Sharing

- •This is a group of programs that are sharing client CAHP data amongst themselves
 - Release of information (ROI) signed at beginning of CAHP assessment process
- "Agency Name/Acronym Coordinated Entry for ADULT Single Individuals"
- "Agency Name/Acronym Coordinated Entry for YOUTH Single Individuals"
- ALL Client data created by these programs are shared with the other programs
 - AS LONG AS the information is tagged as coming from one of the following programs.
 - If it is coming from a different program (even within an Agency that has one of those programs) it will not be shared per the agreement of the ROI.



Coming Soon: Universal ROIs

- •There is not currently a standard ROI for the CoC but that is being worked on.
- Once more information is available we will update you all on this new document, and the processes involved.



Data Security

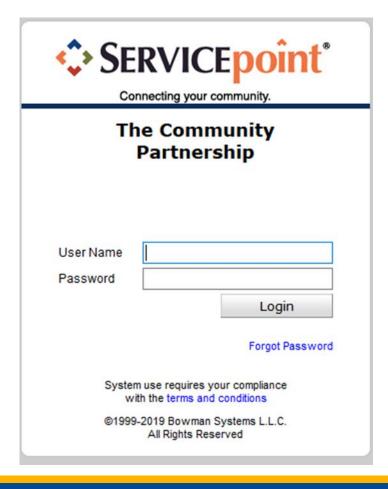
- Keeping client information safe and secure begins with <u>YOU!</u>
- Do not let others log in as you.
 - Keep your user name and password to yourself.
 - Do not keep it posted anywhere others can see
- •Do not leave your computer unattended while logged into ServicePoint.
- •Do not save your login information with your web browser.
- •Do not send client identifying information via unencrypted emails (including to the helpdesk!)
 - Client Identifying information includes:
 - Name
 - Date of Birth
 - Social Security Number



Logging In

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Live site:

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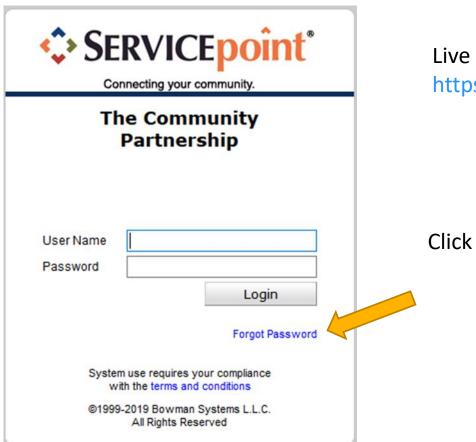


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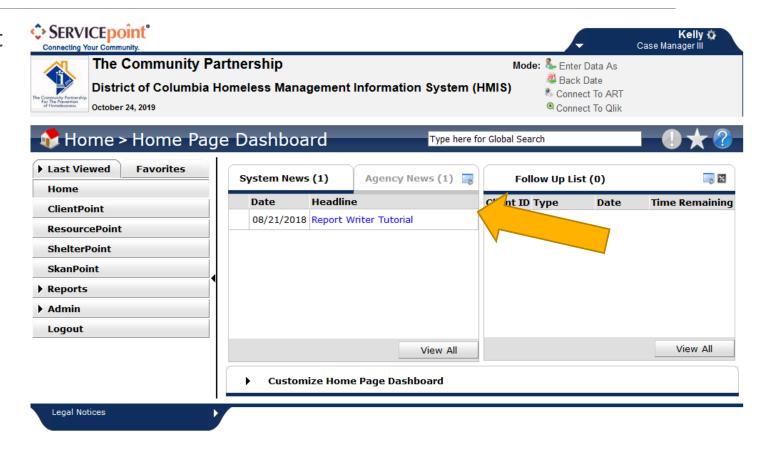
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Click here!



System News

- •We are using System News to alert Users to changes in the system, as well as scheduled system down time.
- •We will also be populating it with other resources so stay tuned...





What is Enter Data As?

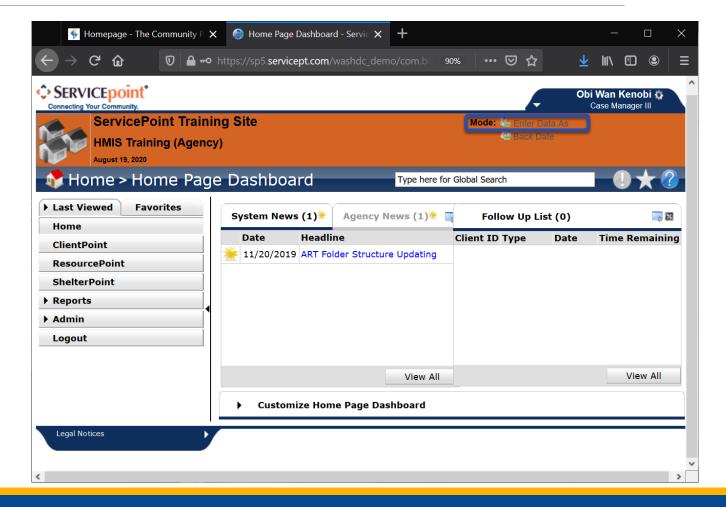


- Most agencies have multiple programs that they operate.
 These often are in different buildings.
- Using Enter Data As is like physically going from one program to another but within the Database.



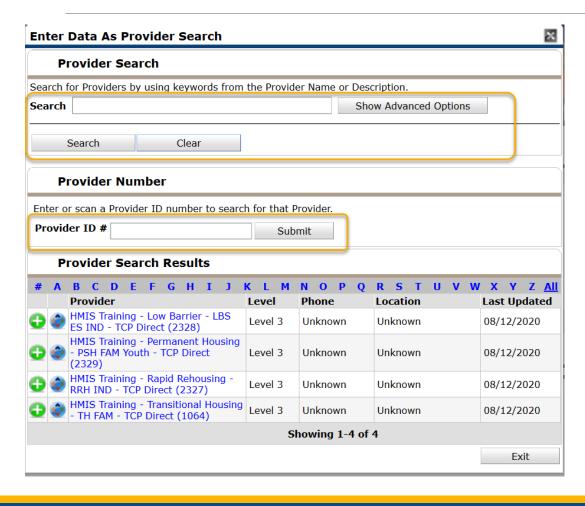
How to Enter Data As — Step 1

 When you log into HMIS, go to the top right corner and click on the Enter Data As button





How to Enter Data As — Step 2



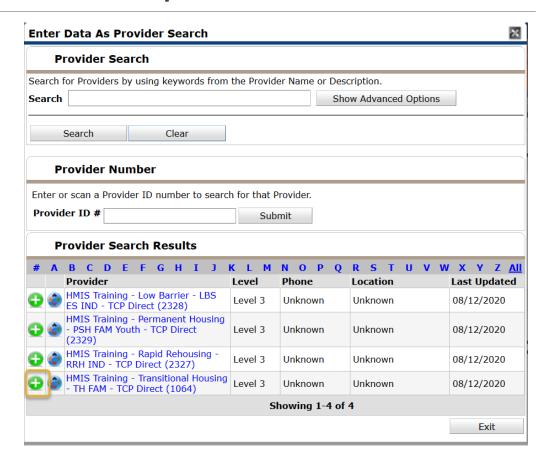
- Find the program you are going to be doing data entry as.
 - You can search in the search box
 - You can type in the provider id
 - You can look through the list of options for the correct provider

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How to Enter Data As – Step 3

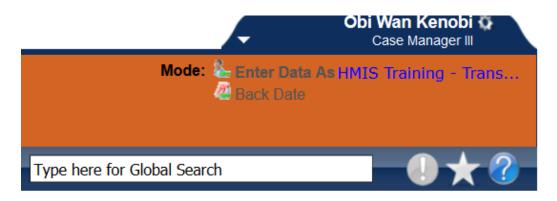
 When you find the correct program, click the green plus sign.





How to Enter Data As – Step 4

 When you click the green plus sign, the name of the provider you will be doing data entry as will appear next to Enter Data As.



• To remove the EDA click on the name of the provider (blue text).

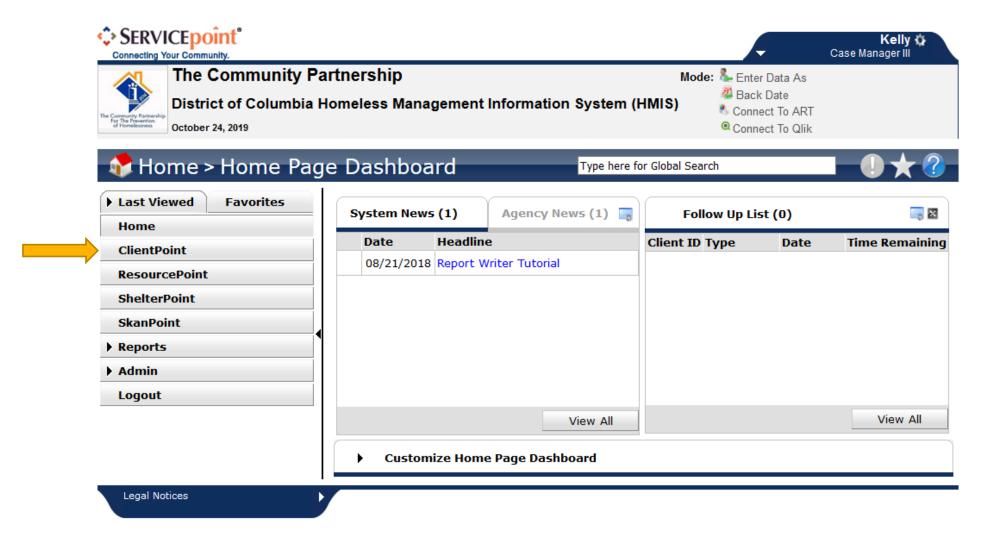




Introduction to ClientPoint

- •ClientPoint is used by most Agencies in order to document program stays, case plans, services provided, and case managers.
- •The primary method of tracking program stays in ClientPoint is Entry/Exits.







The Entry/Exit Workflow

- •Tracking clients served by a given provider using Program Entry Date and Program Exit is an Entry/Exit Workflow.
- Programs contributing data to the DC HMIS that use an Entry/Exit Workflow include:
 - Emergency and Temporary Shelters for Families;
 - Temporary Shelters for Singles;
 - Transitional Housing Programs for Families and Singles;
 - Permanent Supportive Housing Programs for Families and Singles; and
 - Rapid Rehousing Programs for Families and Singles.
- •If you are unsure which program type you operate, please contact the HMIS Helpdesk.

What does Entry mean for my project type?

•Street Outreach:

Date of first contact with the client



•Emergency Shelter:

Night the client first stayed in shelter

•Transitional Housing:

 Date the client moves into the residential project (first night in residence)

•Permanent Housing including Rapid Re-housing:

- Date client was admitted into project
- To be admitted indicates the following factors have been met:
 - Information provided by the client or from the referral indicates they meet the criteria for admission
 - The client has indicated they want to be housed in this project
 - The client is able to access services and housing through the project. The expectation is the project has a housing opening or expects to have on in a reasonably short amount of time

Supportive Services Only, Day Shelters, Homelessness Prevention, Coordinated Entry:

Date the client first began working with the project and generally received the first provision of service.

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The Entry/Exit Workflow

Entering a Household into your program

- Searching for Head of Household
- Confirming Household complete

Household is staying in your program

- Updates and Annual Assessments
- Case Plans

Household/ client exits your program

- Exiting a single client
- Exiting a household



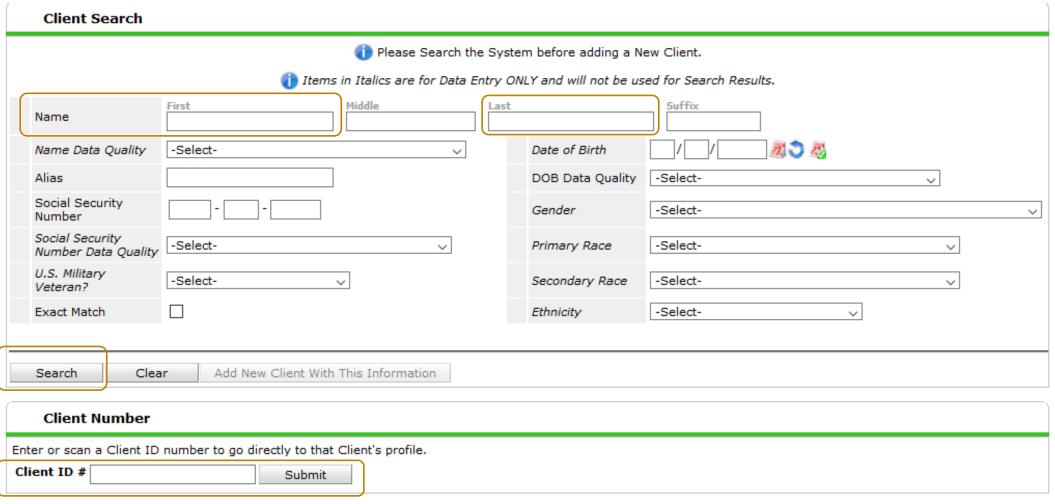
Section 1: Entering a Household into your Program

Part 1: Searching for a Client (your head of household)

 You will need to search for a client in order to add the client to your program

•You can search for the client by name, or if you know the client's ID #, you can use that.





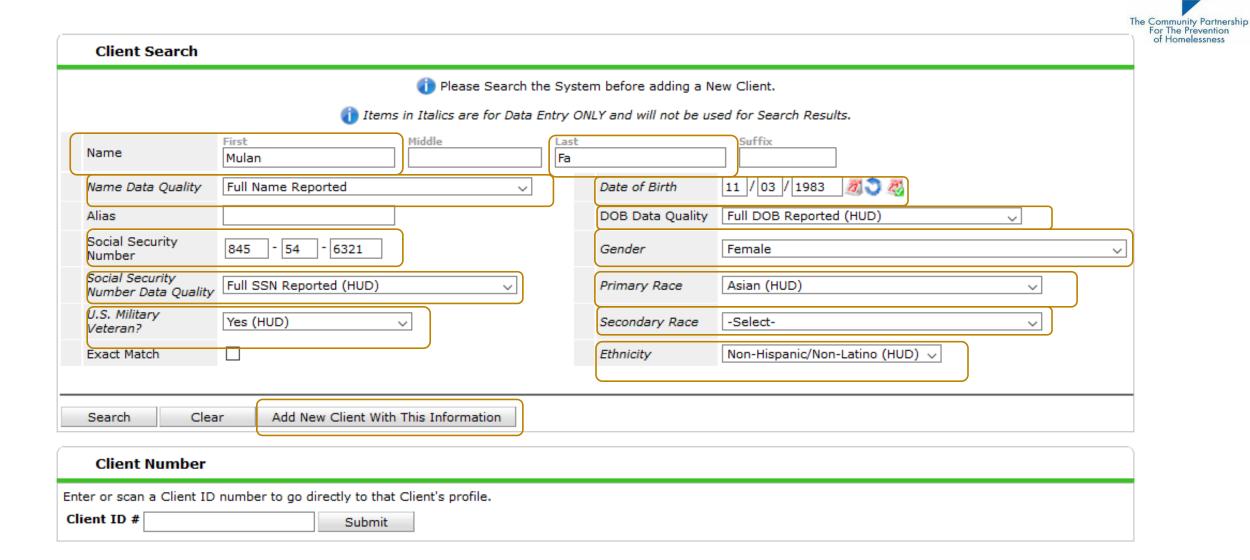


Creating a new client file

•If you do not find a client record for the client you are serving, you will need to create a new client record.

•This is done from the Search box in ClientPoint.

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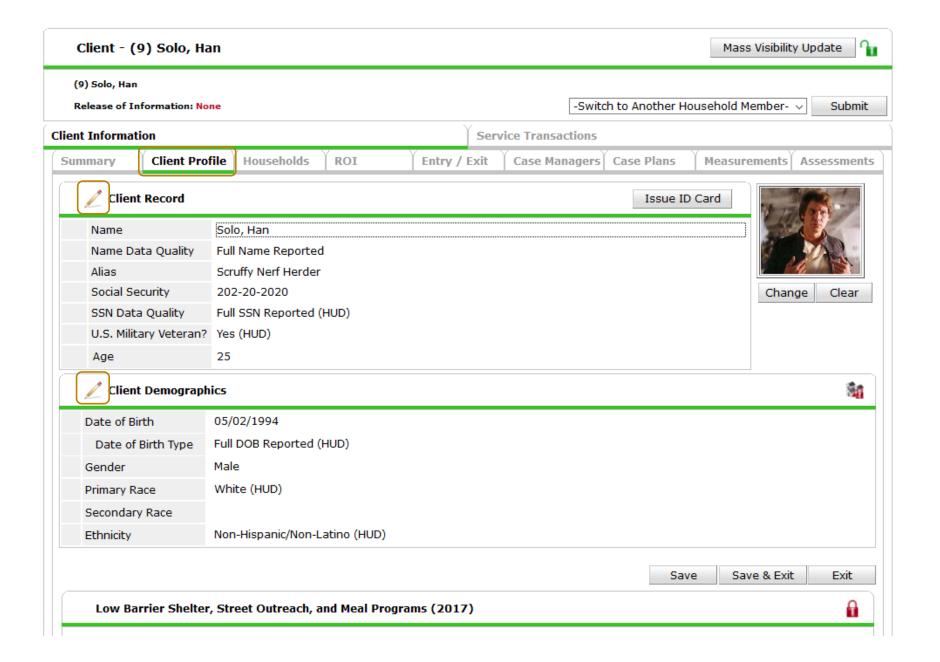




Section 1: Entering a Household into your Program

Completing the Client Profile Information

- •Once in the Client record in ClientPoint, navigate to the Client Profile.
- •If there is any missing or incorrect information in the Client Record or Client Demographic sections, click the corresponding Edit Pencil(s) to make the necessary changes.









Section 1: Entering a Household into your Program

Part 2: Creating a Household/Confirming your household is complete

•Often, existing client records are a part of existing households.

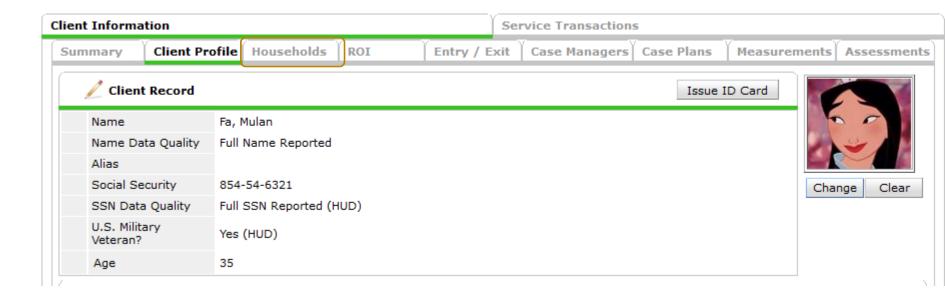
•Use existing households wherever possible.

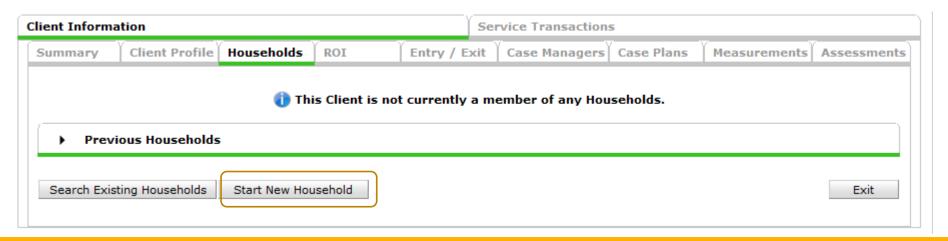
•If the household does not yet exist, you will need to create a new one. The following is an example of creating a household.



To create a new Household, navigate to the Household Tab.

Click "Start New Household"

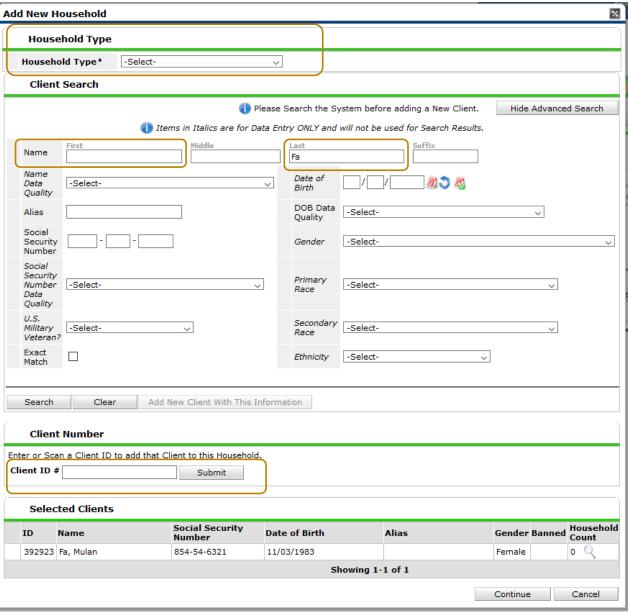




Choose the Household Type

If you know the household member's HMIS ID#, type it in the Client ID # and click "Submit"

If you do not know the household member's HMIS ID #, Search for the client



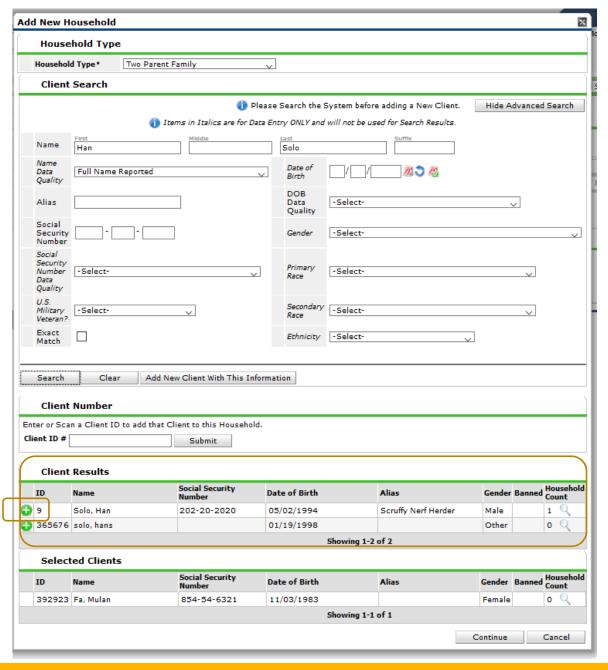


Choose the Household Type

If you know the household member's HMIS ID#, type it in the Client ID # and click "Submit"

If you do not know the household member's HMIS ID #, Search for the client

If the client appears in the Client Results Section ensure it is the correct client, and then select the green plus sign to add the client to the household.

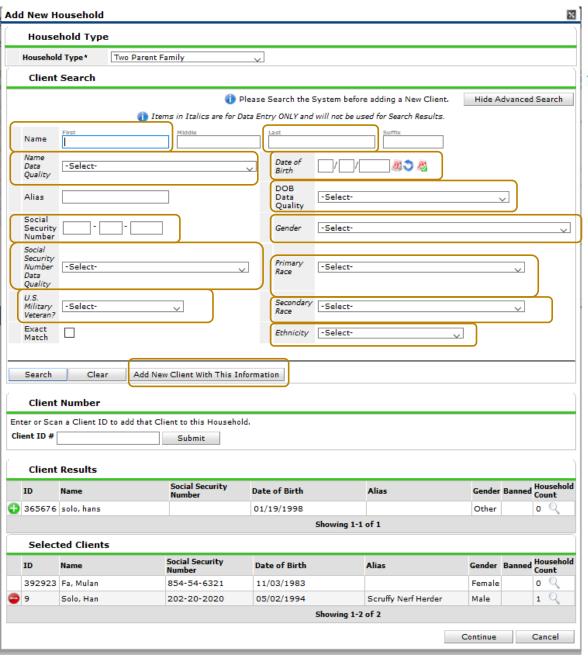




If the client doesn't appear in the search, add the new client in the Add New Household Tab.

You MUST search for the client record before you are able to create a new client record.

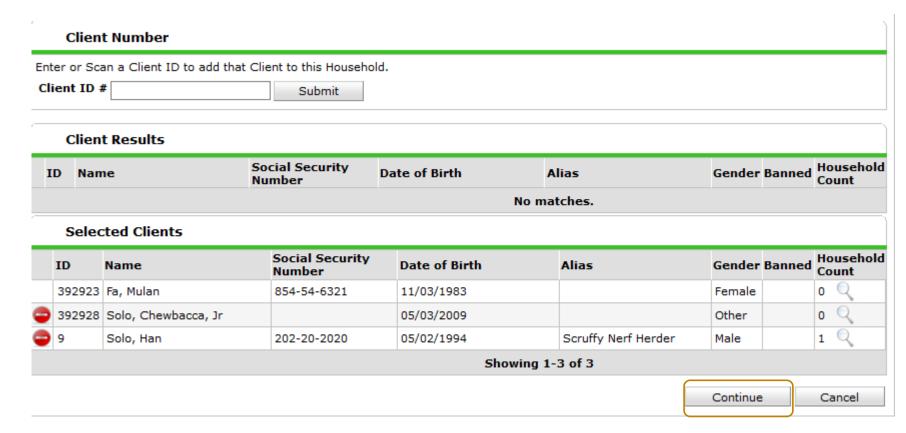
You MUST enter all the information indicated BEFORE you click "Add New Client With This Information"







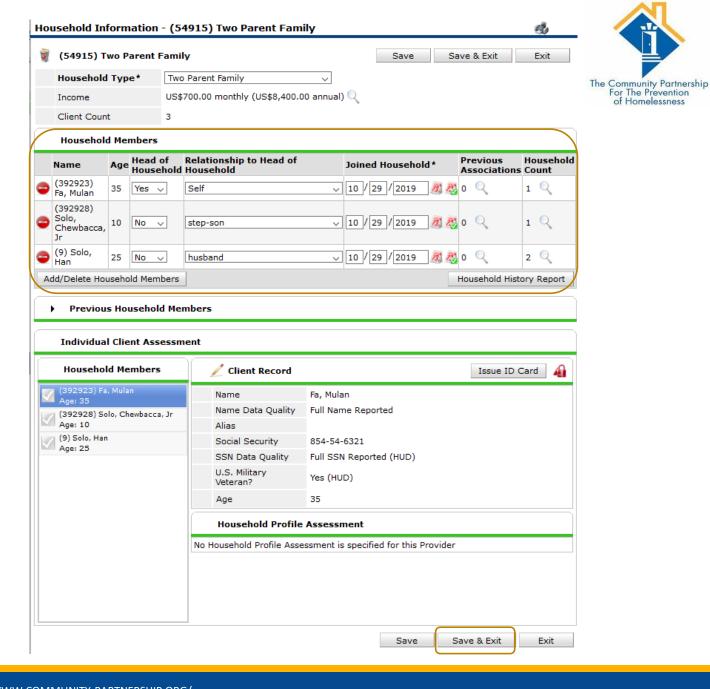
Once the household is fully built, Click Continue.



In the Household Members section, assign 1 person as Head of Household = Yes. This will automatically make the client's relationship to Head of Household = Self.

Then select the Relationship to Head of Household for the other household members.

When complete, click "Save & Exit"



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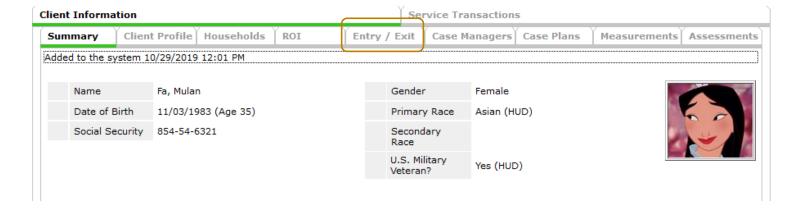


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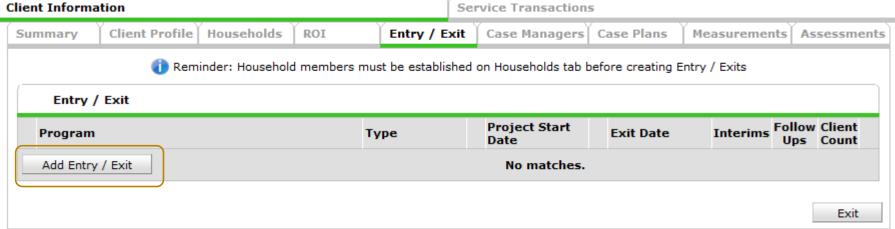
Section 1: Entering a Household into your Program

Part 3: Creating an Entry

- •To document the household's participation in the program, you need to create an Entry.
- Navigate to the Entry/Exit Tab.

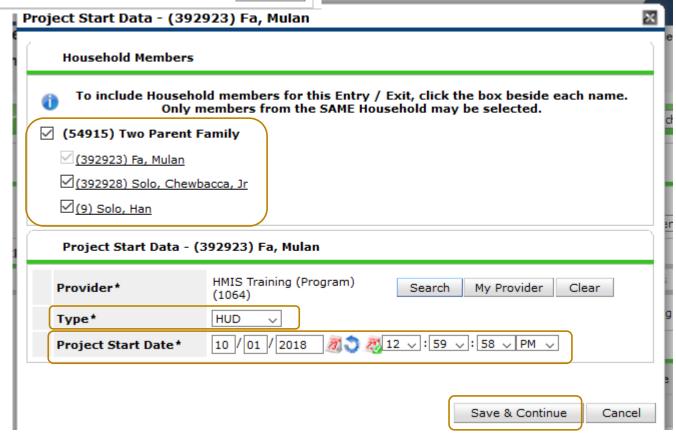


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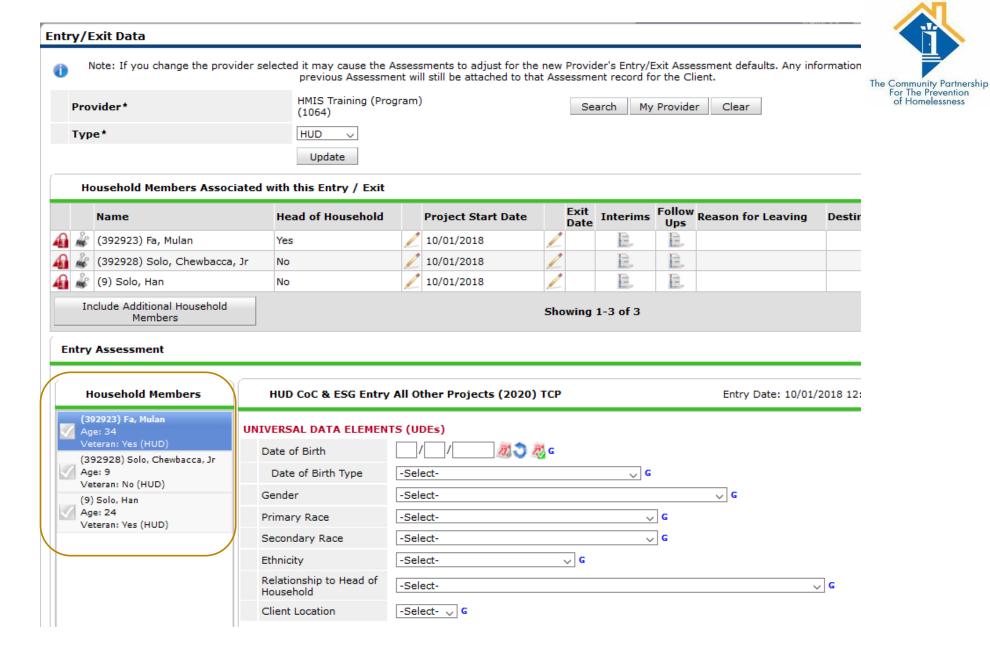


- Click "Add Entry/Exit"
- Select the members of the household that are being served.
- Choose the correct Type
- Set the Project Start Date
- Click Save & Continue



The Entry/Exit Data popup shows the clients that are associated with the Entry/Exit.

The Household
Members on the side
can be clicked on to
toggle to the other
clients and their
assessments.



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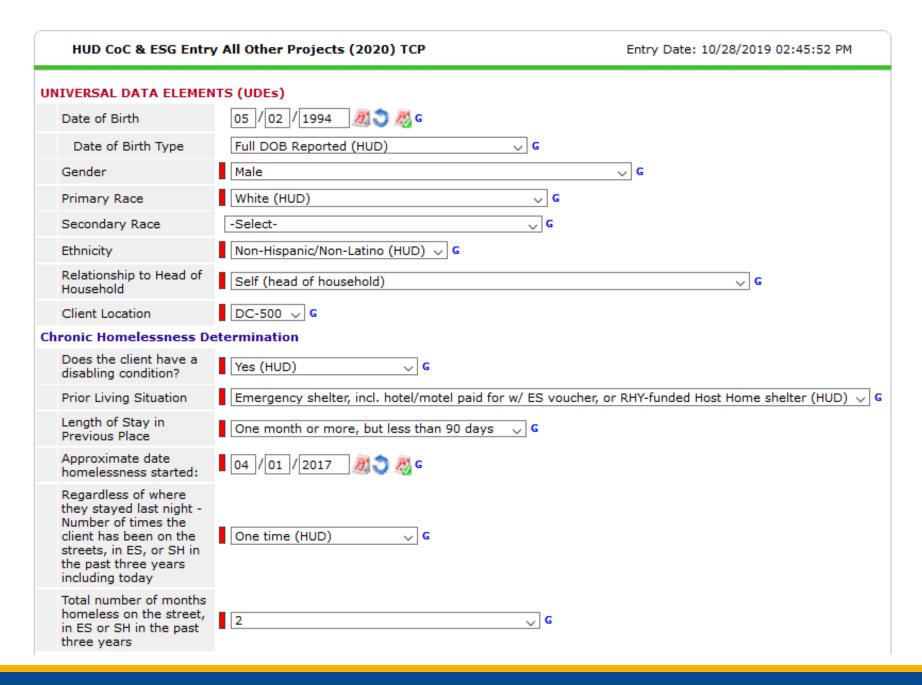


Section 1: Entering a Household into your Program

Part 4: The Entry Assessment

- •The Entry Assessment captures the universal data elements requested by the Federal Partners and DC CoC as well as any program specific data elements required for your agency's funding source.
- •Street Outreach, Emergency Shelters, and Safe Havens have a different set of assessments than all other project types. This is due to the way HUD captures Previous Living Situation information.
- Most programs (Non SO, ES, or SH) have the HUD CoC & ESG Entry All Other Programs (2020) TCP assessment. This is the required assessment for all HUD CoC and DHS funded programs.

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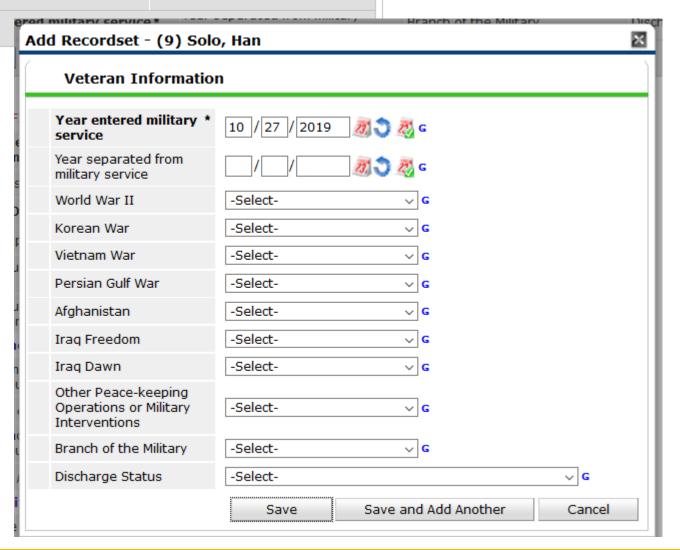


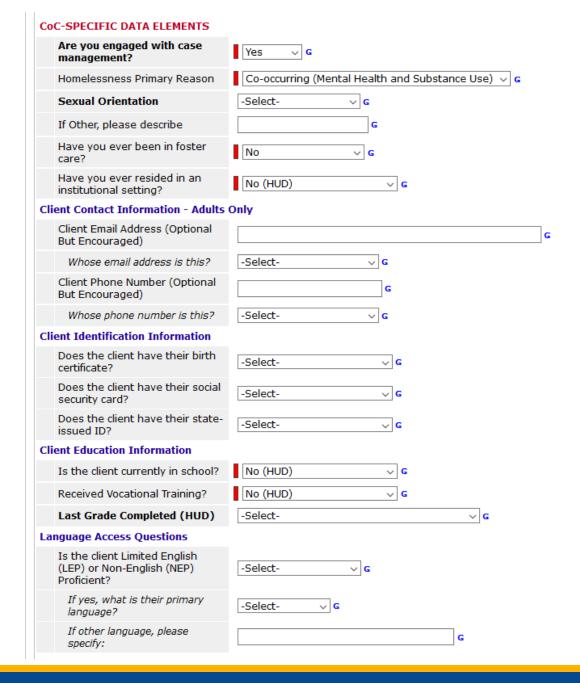


 Anyone for whom you answer 'yes' to the question <u>U.S. Military Veteran</u>, you must also complete the Veteran Information sub-assessment.

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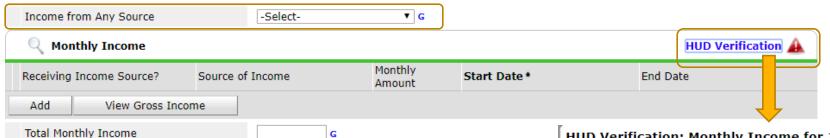
 Make sure to confirm or deny each of the different war eras.







These are DC's Universal Data Elements. They are required regardless of your program's funding.





- Begin by setting all incomplete values to "No"
- For each source of income, add the income source, receiving income source
 Yes, monthly amount and start date.
- Once all income sources have been recorded via the HUD Verification, click "Save & Exit"

HUD Verification: Monthly Income for 10/28/2019

Per Source of Income, the current records for Monthly Income as of 10/28/2019 are displayed below. Any previous records for Monthly Income not overlapping as of this date are not displayed. In the event that multiple records exist per Source of Income as of 10/28/2019, records containing "Yes" values will be displayed and take precedence for reporting purposes.

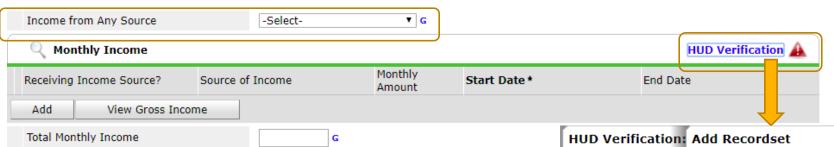
Select the Receiving Income Source? value for all incomplete Source of Income records

O Data Not Collected

Incomplete

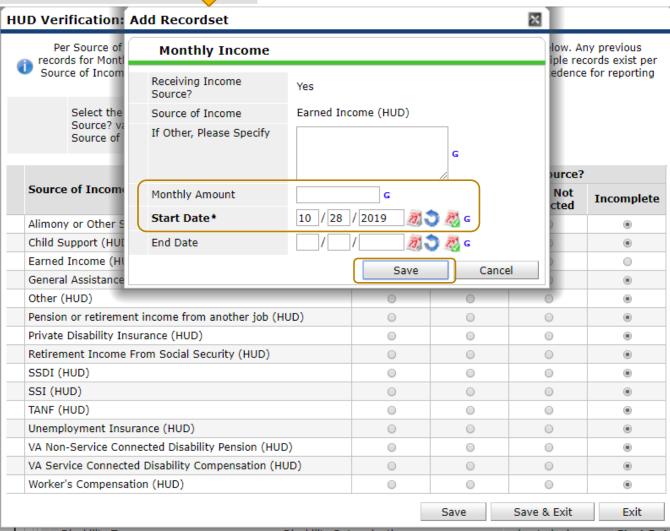
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	Receiving Income Source?			
Source of Income	Yes	No	Data Not Collected	Incomplet
Alimony or Other Spousal Support (HUD)	0	0	0	•
Child Support (HUD)	0	0	0	•
Earned Income (HUD)		0	0	
General Assistance (HUD)	0	0	0	•
Other (HUD)	0	0	0	
Pension or retirement income from another job (HUD)	0	0	0	•
Private Disability Insurance (HUD)	0	0	0	•
Retirement Income From Social Security (HUD)	0	0	0	•
SSDI (HUD)	0	0	0	•
SSI (HUD)	0	0	0	•
TANF (HUD)	0	0	0	
Unemployment Insurance (HUD)	0	0	0	•
VA Non-Service Connected Disability Pension (HUD)	0	0	0	•
VA Service Connected Disability Compensation (HUD)	0	0	0	•
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- Begin by setting all incomplete values to "No"
- For each source of income, add the income source, receiving income source
 Yes, monthly amount and start date.
- Once all income sources have been recorded via the HUD Verification, click "Save & Exit"







- Begin by setting all incomplete values to "No"
- For each source of Non-Cash
 Benefits, add the Non-Cash Benefit
 source, receiving benefit = "Yes",
 and start date
- Once all Non-Cash sources have been recorded via the HUD Verification, click "Save & Exit"

Per Source of Non-Cash Benefit, the current records for Non-Cash Benefits as of 10/28/2019 are displayed below. Any previous records for Non-Cash Benefits not overlapping as of this date are not displayed. In the event that multiple records exist per Source of Non-Cash Benefit as of 10/28/2019, records containing "Yes" values will be displayed and take precedence for reporting purposes.

Select the Receiving Benefit? value for all incomplete Source of Non-Cash Benefit records

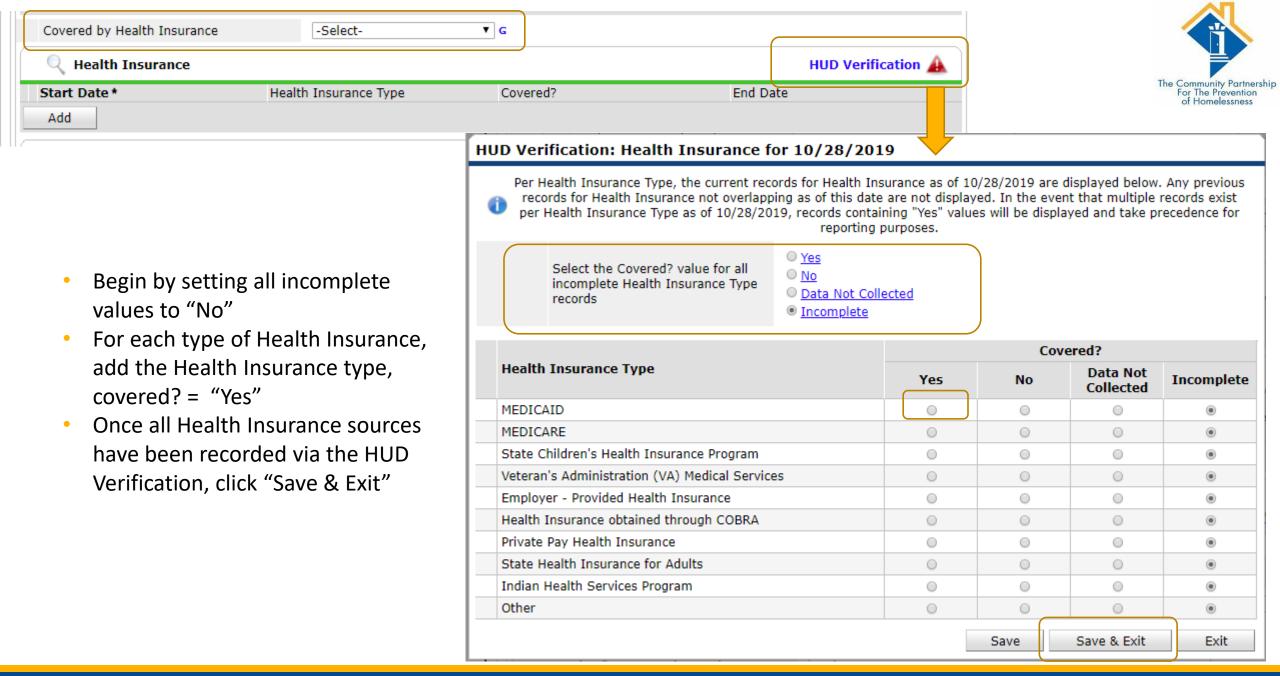
HUD Verification: Non-Cash Benefits for 10/28/2019

NoData Not Collected

Incomplete

Yes

	Receiving Benefit?			
Source of Non-Cash Benefit	Yes	No	Data Not Collected	Incomple
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps) (HUD)		0	0	•
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for WIC (HUD)	0	0	0	•
TANF Child Care Services (HUD)	0	0	0	•
TANF Transportation Services (HUD)	0	0	0	•
Other TANF-Funded Services (HUD)	0	0	0	•
Other Source (HUD)	0	0	0	(0)



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Disability Type	Disability Determination	Above condition is going to be long term? (Retired)	Start Date *		
Add					



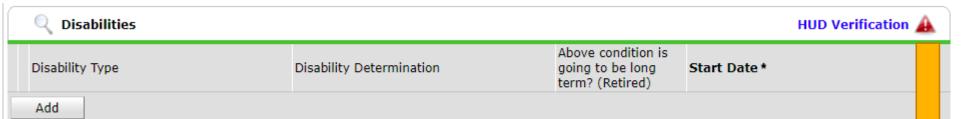
- Begin by setting all incomplete values to "No"
- For each Disability, add the disability type, determination, duration, and start date.
- Once all Disabilities have been recorded via the HUD Verification, click "Save & Exit"

Per Disability Type, the current records for Disabilities as of 10/28/2019 are displayed below. Any previous records for Disabilities not overlapping as of this date are not displayed. In the event that multiple records exist per Disability Type as of 10/28/2019, records containing "Yes" values will be displayed and take precedence for reporting purposes.

Select the Disability Determination value for all incomplete Disability Type records

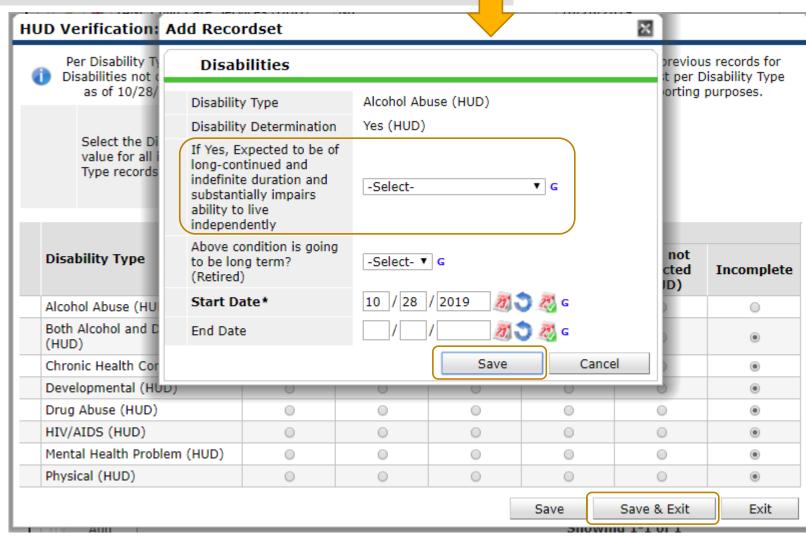
- No (HUD)
- Client doesn't know (HUD)
- Client refused (HUD)
- Data not collected (HUD)
- Incomplete

	Disability Determination					
Disability Type	Yes (HUD)	No (HUD)	Client doesn't know (HUD)	Client refused (HUD)	Data not collected (HUD)	Incomplete
Alcohol Abuse (HUD)	0	0	0	0	0	•
Both Alcohol and Drug Abuse (HUD)	0	0	0	0	0	•
Chronic Health Condition (HUD)	0	0	0	0	0	•
Developmental (HUD)	0	0	0	0	0	•
Drug Abuse (HUD)	0	0	0	0	0	•
HIV/AIDS (HUD)	0	0	0	0	0	•
Mental Health Problem (HUD)	0	0	0	0	0	•
Physical (HUD)	0	0	0	0	0	



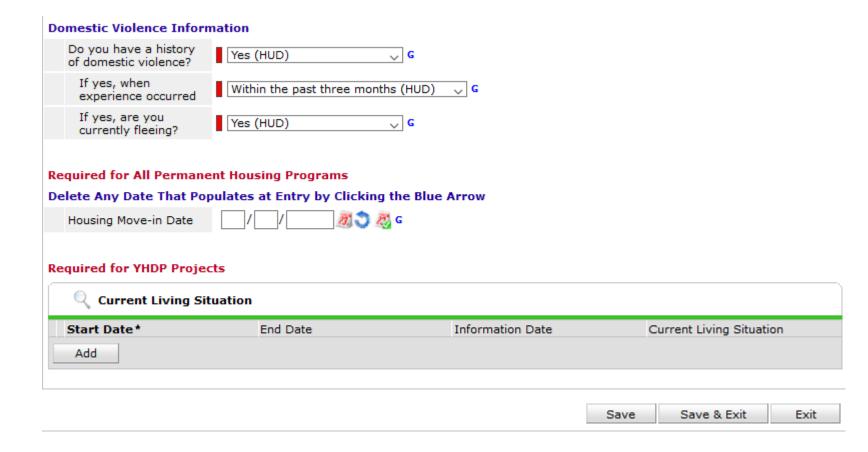


- For each Disability, add the disability type, determination, duration, and start date.
- Once all Disabilities have been recorded via the HUD Verification, click "Save & Exit"



- Domestic Violence Questions should be completed for Heads of Households and Adults.
 - Verification is not necessary unless required by your funder.
- Housing Move-In-Date is required for Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Housing only.
- The Current Living Situation (CLS) sub-assessment replaces the "Contact" sub-assessment from previous years. It is required for YHDP Projects and Street Outreach Projects Only.
 - A CLS should be created each time a client has been directly contacted in a meaningful way.
 - This should be recorded for Heads of Household for each occurrence.









Section 2: The Household is in your Program

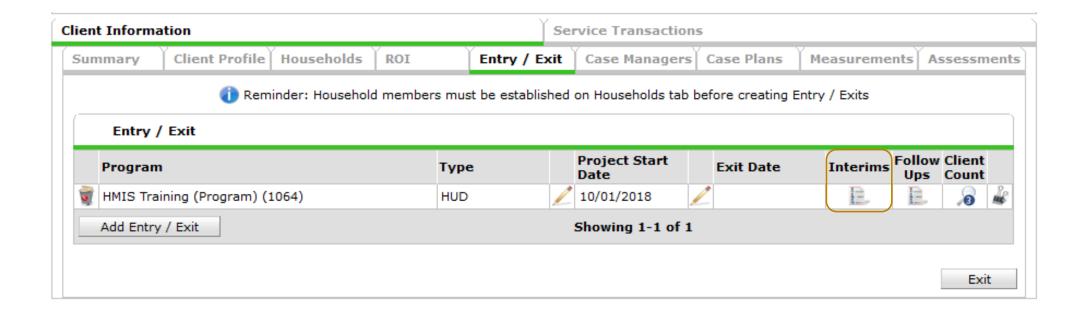
Part 1: Updates and Annual Assessments

- •Updates are required for some data elements.
- •Annual Assessments are required to be entered within +/- 30 days of the Head of Household's Entry Anniversary.
- •Updates and Annual Assessments have fewer questions to complete and/or update compared to the Entry Assessment.
- •If you do not complete these, the system does not recognize the change in income and non-cash benefits that occur.

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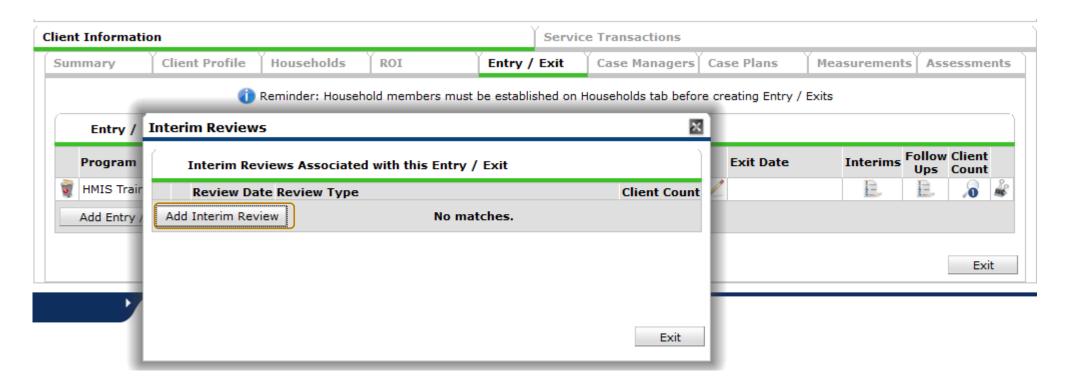


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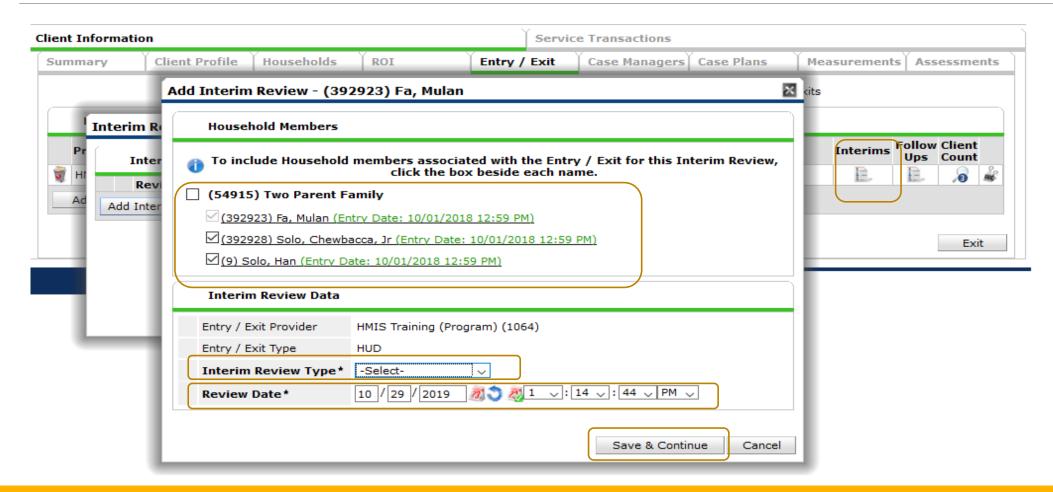


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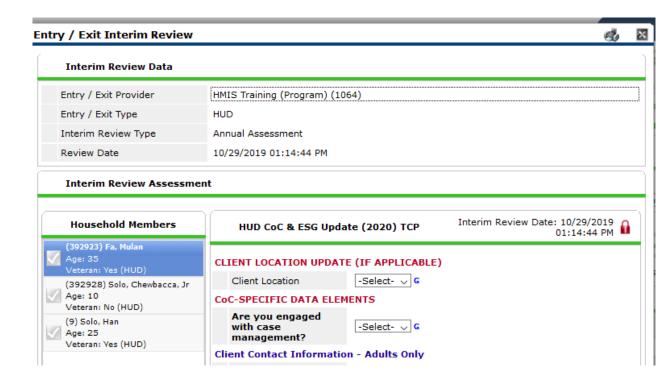
Creating an Update/Annual Assessment





Interim Review Assessment

- •The questions in the Interim review(Update or Annual Assessment) will depend upon the funding source of your program.
- •Interim reviews generally contain data elements that may change over time.
- •Review all information in the Interim Review to ensure it is still up-to-date. Make updates as needed.





Housing Move In Date



Required for All Permanent Housing Programs				
Delete Any Date That Populates at Entry by Clicking the Blue Arrow				
	Housing Move-in Date	/ / Ø 👸 💸 G		

- For clients with a Project Start Date in a permanent housing project of any kind (including Rapid Re-housing), record the date a client or household moves into a permanent housing unit.
- When Entering a client into your program, you will want to make sure any Date that populates in the Housing Move-in Date is cleared so that the new, correct date may be entered for your program.
- This Housing Move-in Date MAY be the same date as the Entry Date, but more likely it will occur AFTER the entry date.
 - IF it is on the same date as the Entry Date you MAY enter it on the Entry Assessment.
 - If it is AFTER the Entry Date, you MUST enter it in an Update.
- It is also possible that you may begin serving the client with the housing search, but end up unable to house the client. In this case the Housing Move-in Date will remain Blank and the client will be exited from your program.

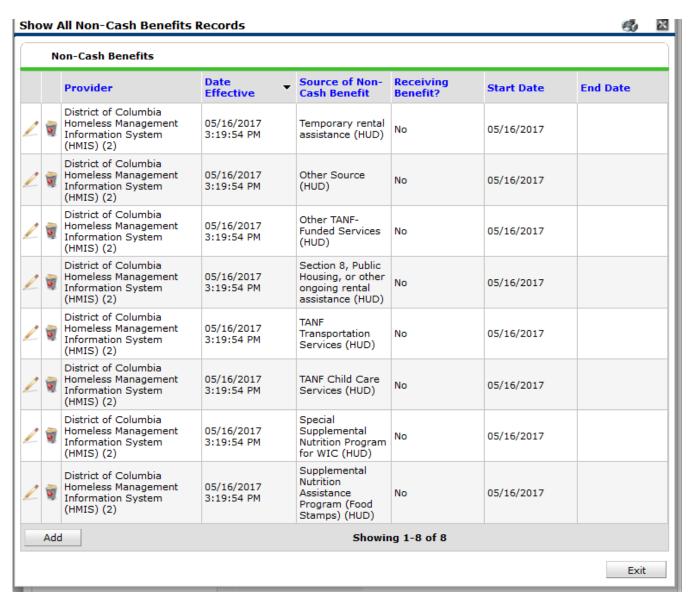
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Updating Sub-assessments

- •If information in a sub-assessment has changed, we need to end the old information, and create new, accurate information.
- •We do not want to Delete any information that used to be correct.
- •We will add an End Date to the information that is no longer true, and then Add a new line in the sub-assessment with the new information.

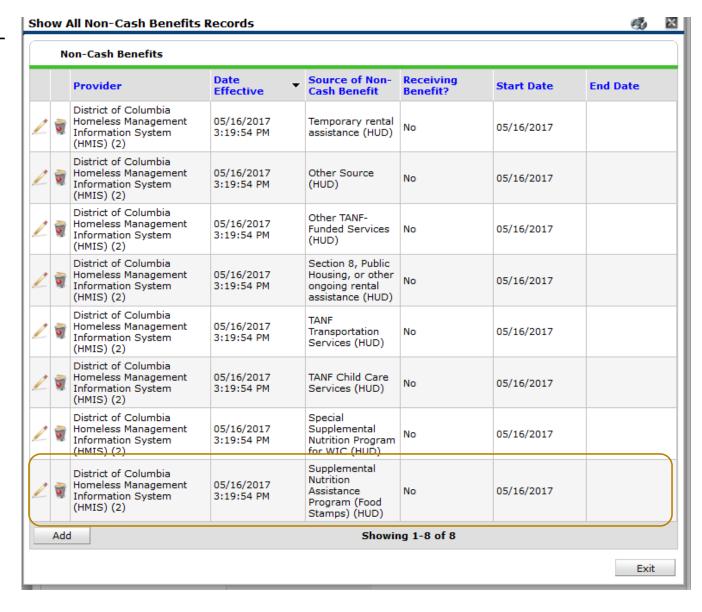
In my update, I find out that the client now has Food Stamps. I will want to update this information in HMIS.





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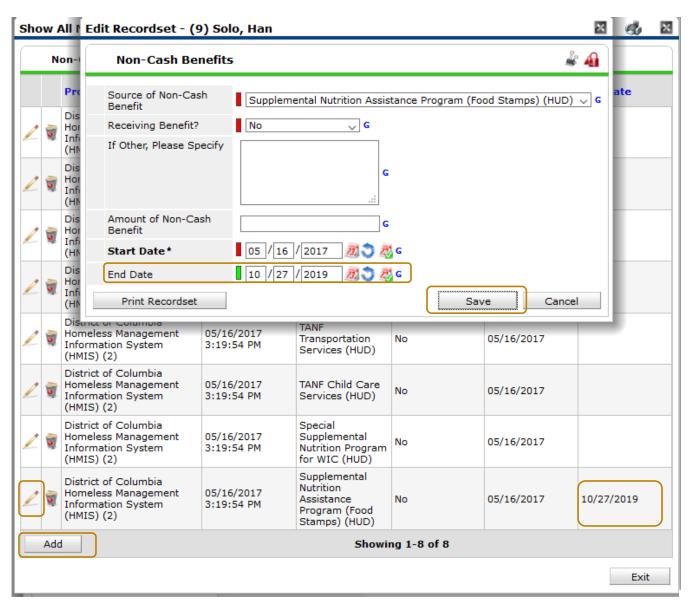




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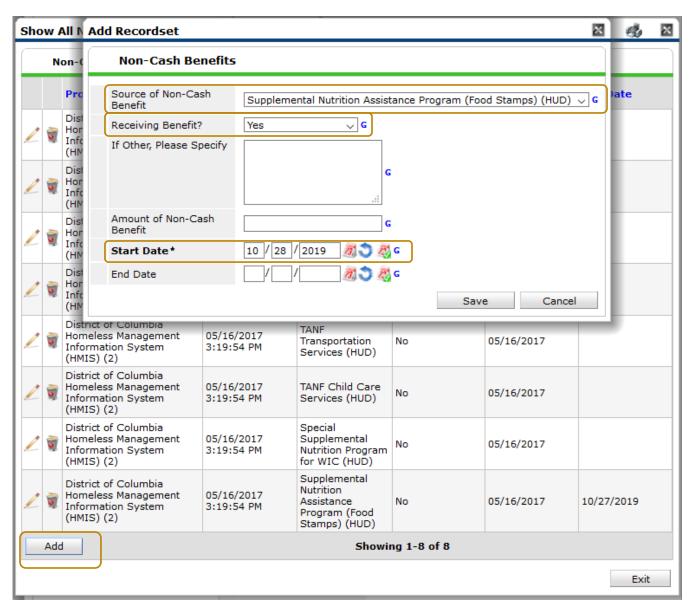
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Since the client is receiving food stamps now, I answer "Receiving Benefit" = "Yes.

The Start Date = today's date.









Section 2: The Household is in your Program

Part 2: Case Plans

Case Plans are required for all DHS and TCP programs

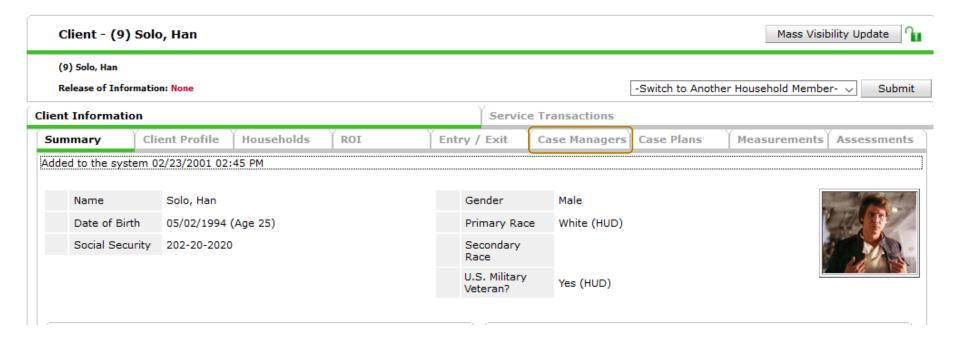
•There are multiple parts to case plans – detailed in the following slides.

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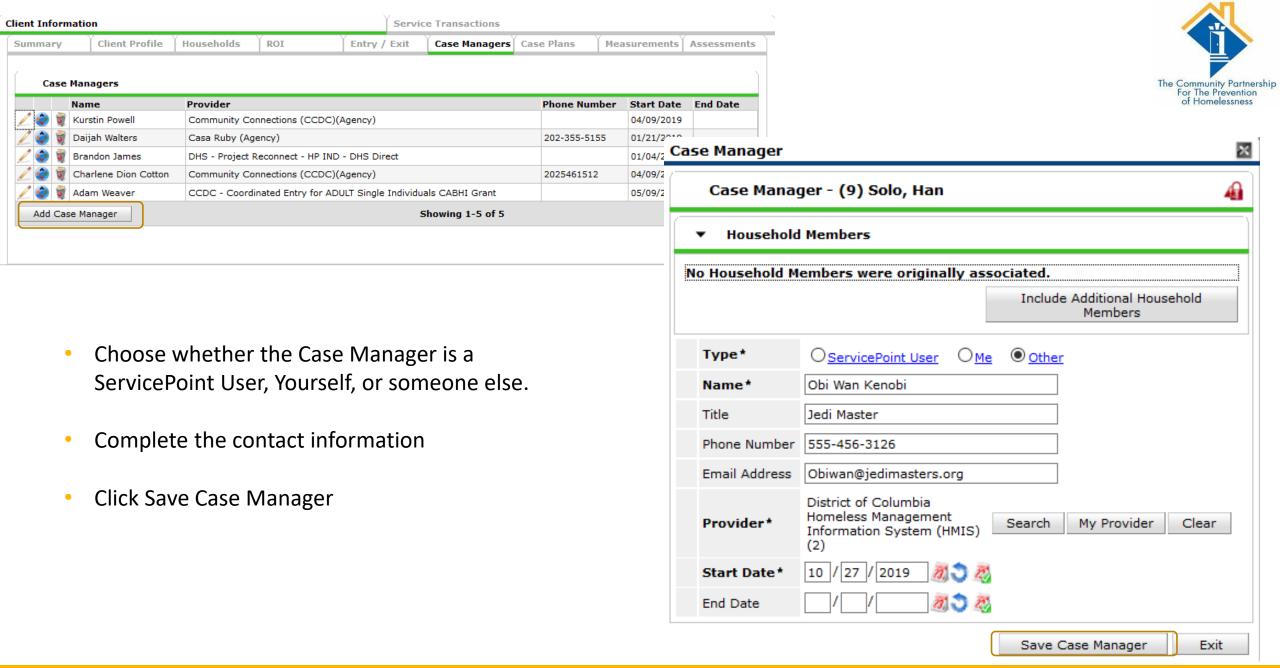


Adding a Case Manager

Step One: Go the Case Managers tab on the client profile screen:



This will take you to the **Case Managers** data entry screen.





Case Manager FAQs

Can I add more than one case manager to a client's case manager tab?

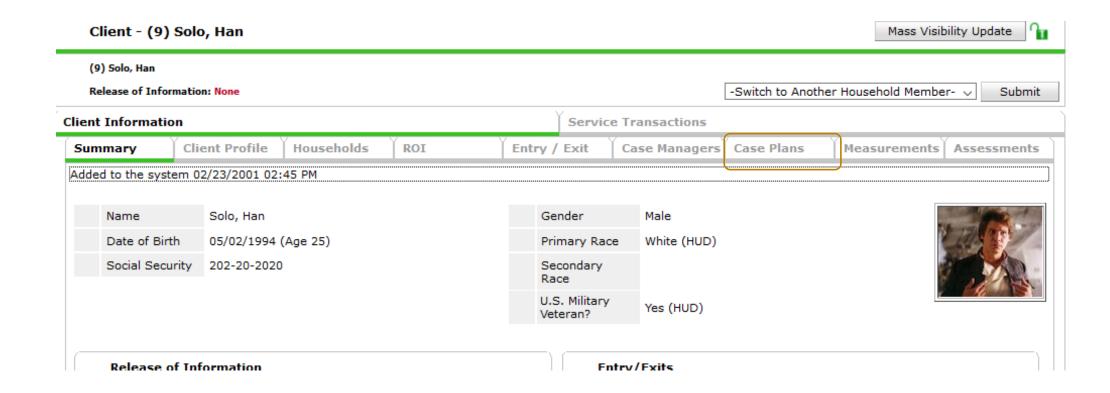
Yes. In some cases a provider may have a case manager and other service staff person such as a housing specialist or employment specialist working with a given client.

How do I indicate that a case manager is no longer working with a given client?

The case managers data entry screen has Start Date and End Date Fields to indicate when a case manager begins and ends working with a given client. This is where a case manager can indicate that he is no longer working with a client.

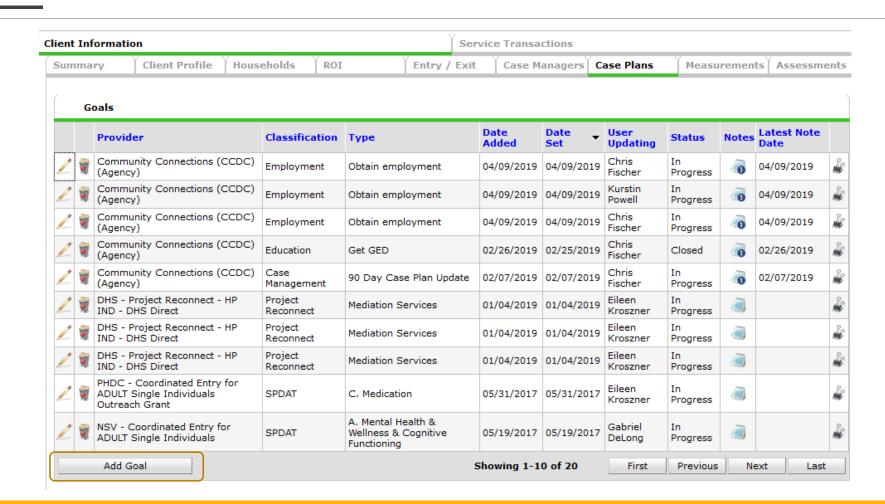




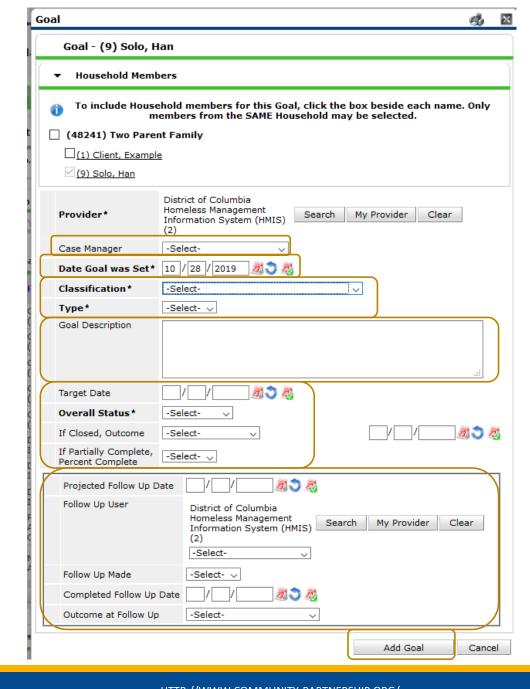


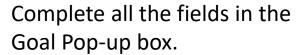
Step Two: On the Goals Screen click Add





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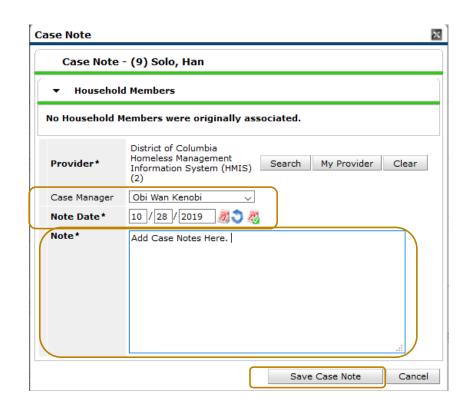
Once complete, click "Add Goal"

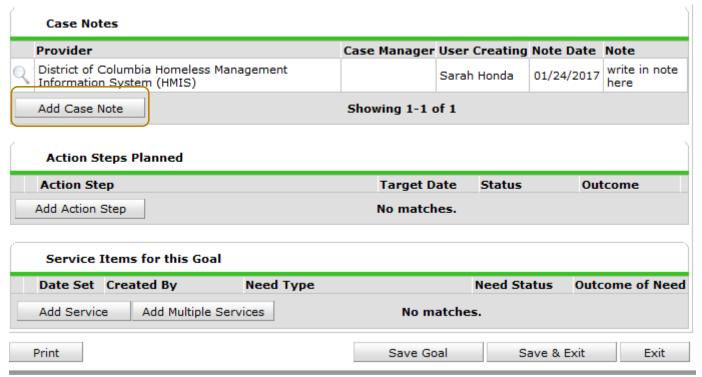


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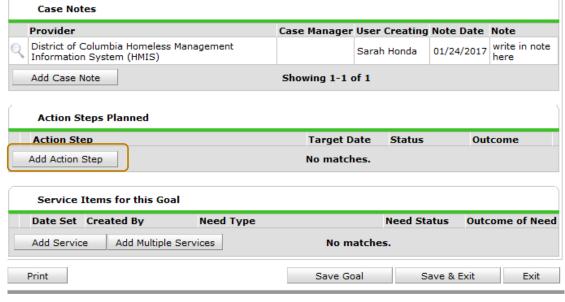


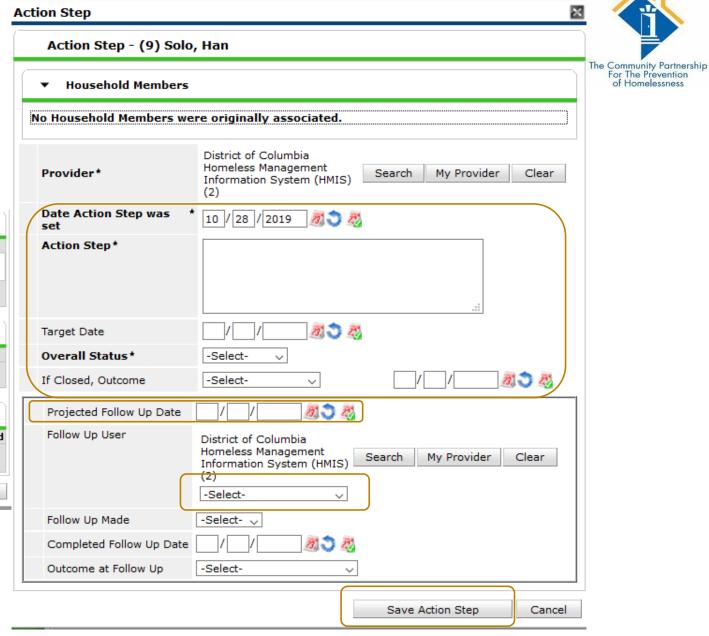
Case Notes





Action Steps



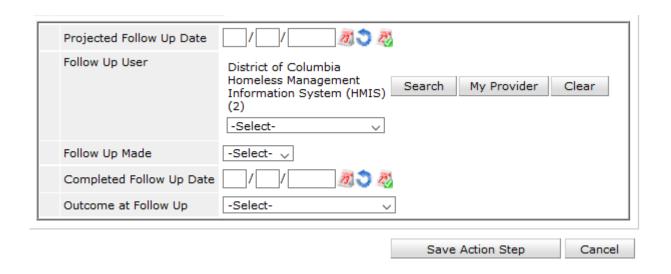


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Goal Follow ups

•Goals and action steps have fields that allow case managers to indicate the date they plan to follow up with a client (**Projected Follow Up Date**), the staff person who will be following up (**Follow Up User**) the date the follow up was actually made (**Completed Follow Up Date**), and the outcome at follow up (**Outcome at Follow Up**):



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Updating Goals and Action Steps FAQ

What if a goal or action step requires follow up more than once?

Case managers can reset the projected follow update, completed follow up date, and outcome at follow up at each follow up.

If the client does not reach the goal by the Target Date, you can reset the target date to a new date instead of creating a new goal.



Ending a Goal

Goals and action steps have fields that allow case managers to indicate the status of a goal (Overall Status), and the outcome and date the goal was closed out (If Closed, Outcome and Date Field):



Please note: Action Steps are the action items a client needs to accomplish in order to achieve a larger goal, so all Action Steps should be closed out on or before the date the goal they support is closed.





Part 3: Household/ client leaves your Program

Part 1: Exiting a single client

- •Sometimes, clients leave your program before the entire household leaves. You will need to create an exit for this client that is separate from the other members of the household.
- •Navigate to the exiting client's ClientPoint record.

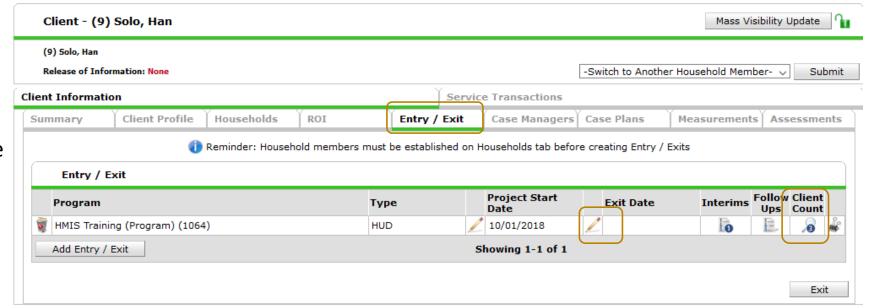
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Exiting a single client

Find the correct entry/exit – the client count is a way to make sure it is the entry you are looking for as well as the Provider name and the Project Start Date.

Click on the Edit Pencil for the Exit Date.



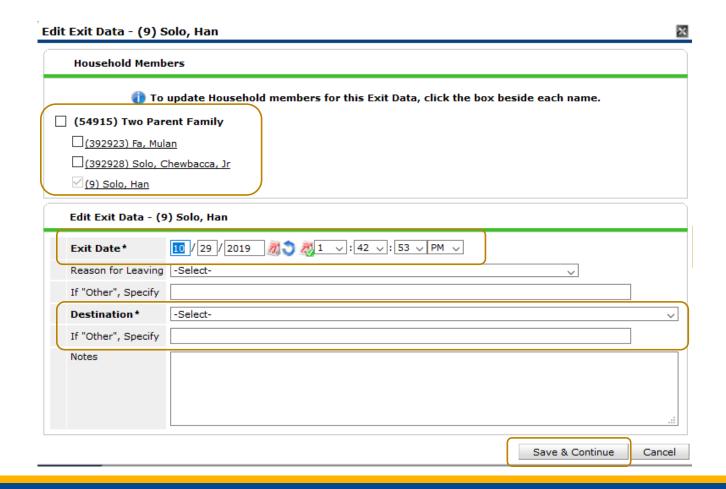


Exiting a single client

Make sure the correct client is selected.

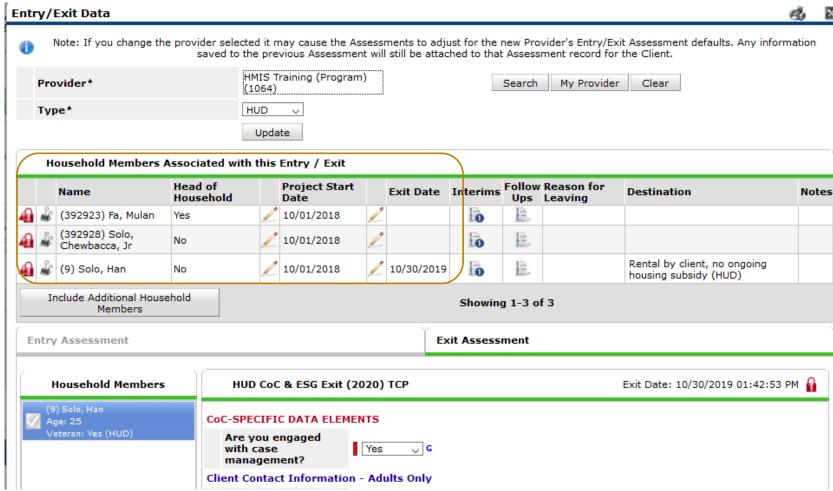
Set the exit date to the date the client left your program and the time to the standard 12:01:00 A.M.

Set the exit Destination. The destinations with "(VW)" next to them are specific to Virginia Williams.



- On the Entry/Exit Data pop-up you will now see that one client is exited while the other two household members are still in the program.
- The Exit Assessment is similar to the Update and Annual Assessment in that you can update the same fields if anything changes the day the client leaves your program
- Depending on your program's funding source, you may have additional questions that only appear at Exit.
- Be careful to read the assessment carefully to ensure you are answering all questions.





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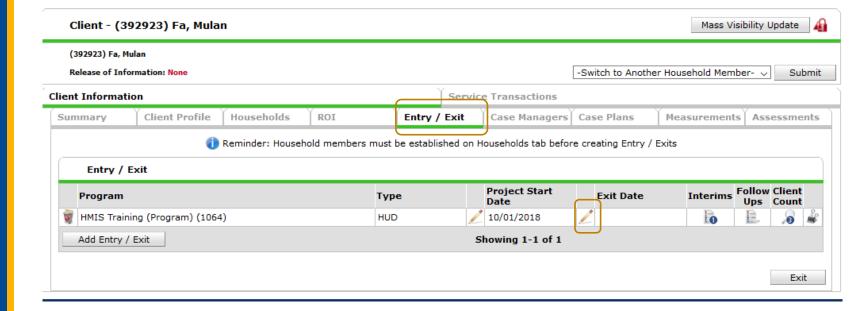


Part 3: Household/ client leaves your Program

Part 2: Exiting a Household

- When the household exits your program, you will need to create an exit for all household members.
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•Navigate to the Head of Household's client record in ClientPoint and then go to the Entry/Exit Tab.



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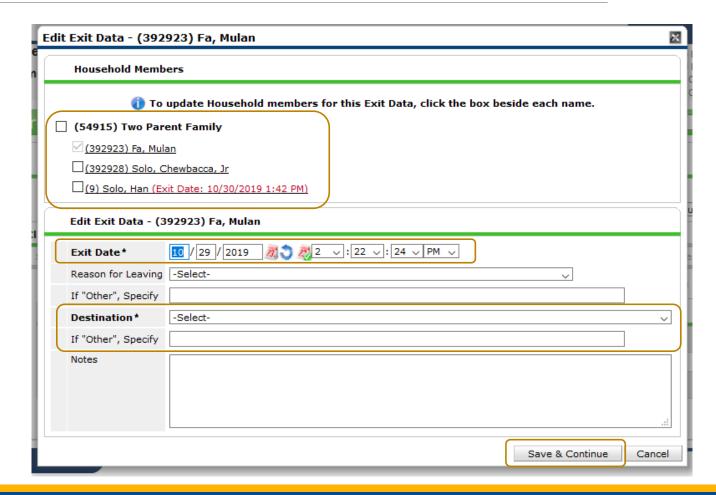


Exiting a Household

Make sure the correct clients are selected. In this household, one of the clients was exited earlier. Select the other clients in the household.

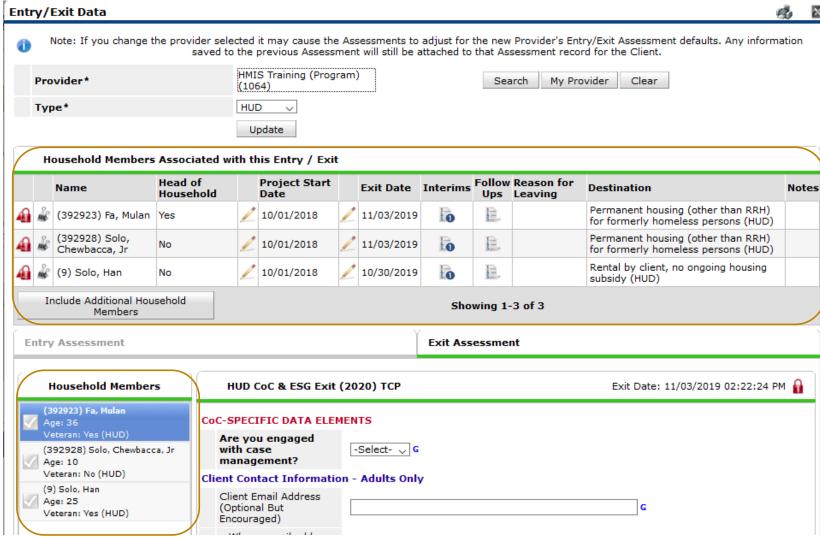
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- On the Entry/Exit Data pop-up you will now see that all clients are exited with two different exit dates because the different household members exited on different dates.
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Common Data Entry Errors

Exiting a client by mistake

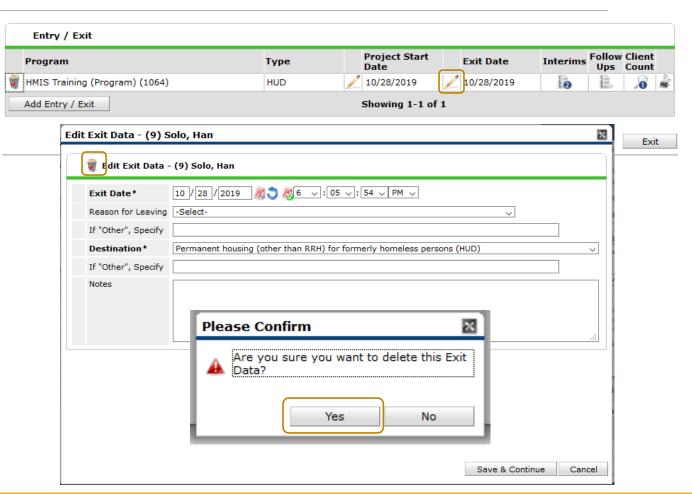
Creating an Update instead of an Annual Assessment

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Exiting a Client by Mistake

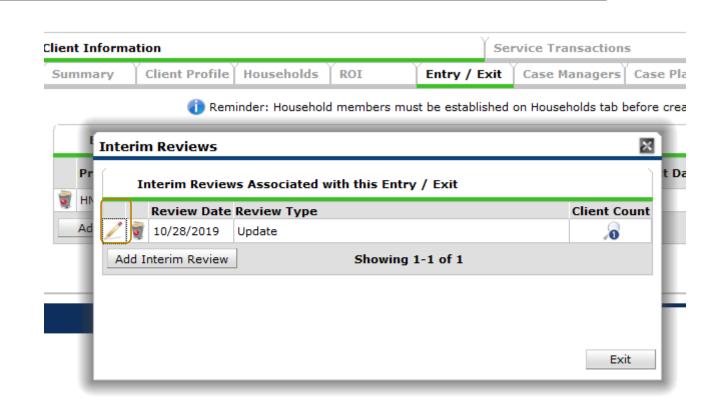
- •Sometimes we exit a client when we did not mean to.
- •This can be fixed by deleting the exit. First we must click the Exit Edit Pencil.
- •Then we click the Trash can in the Edit Exit Data pop-up.
- Click "Yes" to confirm and delete the exit.
- This step needs to happen for each client in the household if multiple clients need to have their exit deleted.





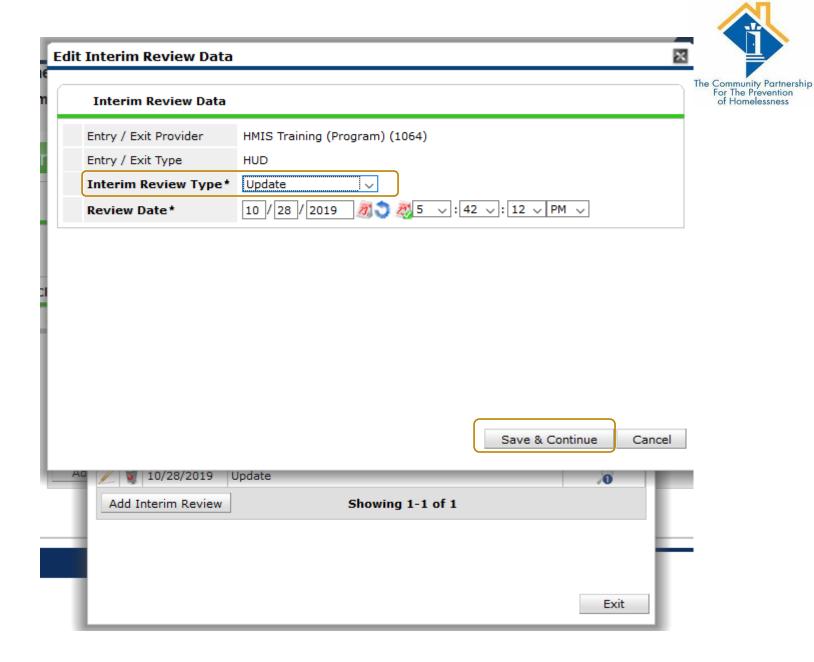


- Sometimes we choose the wrong type of Interim Review.
- Here I meant to enter an Annual Review but made an Update instead.
- •This can be fixed by updating the Interim Review Type.
- •Click the Edit Pencil for the Update.



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- Change the Interim Review Type to Annual Assessment
- Click Save & Continue.
- If you have already made all your updates to the Assessment, click Save & Exit.



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HMIS Policy Updates



Data Sharing

Updated language around what is shared automatically within the system and what requires a Release of Information.

Stage 2 of these updates includes a Universal ROI, in process of being drafted.









Training

Added: Timely log in

Added: Successful completion of training

Added: Annual Security Training Requirement





Added: Recertification Training

Added: HMIS Training as Remedial Training

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Timely Login

- Once a user has completed HMIS Training, they must submit their signed User Agreement and log into HMIS within 60 days of training completion. Failure to do so will result in a user needing to complete HMIS training, or a test of the data entry trained upon in the HMIS Training, and resubmission of their User Agreement before gaining access to the DC HMIS.
- User Accounts will also be monitored for regular login. The Lead Agency has the right to remove a user's account if the user does not log in in six (6) months. The user will need to complete a data test or complete HMIS training to regain access to the DC HMIS.



Successful Completion of Training

- •Lead Agency Staff may determine that a new user has failed to grasp the necessary data entry concepts during training.
- •Lead Agency staff may use their discretion to require new users to repeat HMIS Training. If a new user fails to successfully complete HMIS Training after repeated attempts, Lead Agency staff may use their discretion to determine that the new user is not capable of accurate and complete data entry and may refuse to issue the new user a DC HMIS user license.
- •The Lead Agency will work with the user's Agency Administrator to determine next steps needed for the user to be able to gain access to the system, including but not limited to computer training.



Annual Security Training

- All users are required to attend annual security training provided by the Lead Agency to retain their user license.
- This is a HUD requirement
- Had the training last year in November; this year the EDA training covers the Security Training
- Keeping it in line with HUD Data Standards changes (September/October)



Recertification Training

- At the discretion of the Lead Agency, users may be required to complete a recertification training in the event of significant changes to data collection requirements, data entry workflow, or HMIS policies and procedures. Users who do not complete recertification training in a timely fashion may have their licenses suspended until training has been completed.
- EXAMPLE this EDA Training



HMIS Training as Remedial Training

- If the Lead Agency or Agency Administrator determines that data entered by a current user does not meet minimum data quality standards, or if a user has not accessed the system within three (3) months of completing HMIS Training, users may be required to repeat the training.
- This allows you to tap users for repeat training, or if TCP notices issues for us to tap users for training.

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User Violations

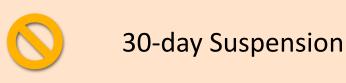
HMIS users and Partner Agencies must abide by all HMIS policies and procedures found in the HMIS Policies and/Procedures manuals, the User Agreement, and the Agency Agreement. Repercussions for any violation will be assessed in a tiered manner. Each user or Partner Agency violation will face successive consequences — the violations do not need to be of the same type in order to be considered second or third violations. User violations do not expire. No regard is given to the duration of time that occurs between successive violations of the HMIS policies and procedures as it relates to corrective action.

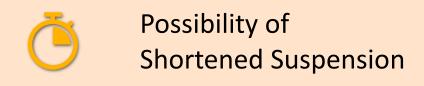
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First Violation

•First Violation – The user and Partner Agency will be notified of the violation in writing by the Lead Agency. The user's license will be suspended for 30 days, or until the Partner Agency notifies the Lead Agency of action taken to remedy the violation. The Lead Agency will provide necessary training to the user and/or the Partner Agency to ensure the violation does not continue.







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Second Violation



30-day suspension



No Shortening of Suspension



training requirement

•Second Violation – The user and Partner Agency will be notified of the violation in writing by the Lead Agency. The user's license will be suspended for 30 days. The user and/or the Partner Agency must take action to remedy the violation; however, this action will not shorten the length of the license suspension. If the violation has not been remedied by the end of the 30-day user license suspension, the suspension will continue until the Partner Agency notifies the Lead Agency of the action taken to remedy the violation. The Lead Agency will provide necessary training to the user and/or the Partner Agency to ensure the violation does not continue.



Third Violation



Review Panel Formed



Minimum 30-day suspension



Potential Revocation of License

 Third Violation – The user and Partner Agency will be notified of the violation in writing by the Lead Agency. The Lead Agency will convene a review panel made up of Lead Agency Staff who will determine if the user's license should be terminated. The user's license will be suspended for a minimum of 30 days, or until Lead Agency review panel makes their determination, whichever occurs later. If the Lead Agency review panel determines the user should retain their user license, the Lead Agency will provide necessary training to the user and/or Partner Agency to ensure the violation does not continue. If users who retain their license after their third violation have an additional violation, that violation will be reviewed by the Lead Agency review panel.



Additional Information

- •It is the responsibility of each Agency Administrator and user to notify the HMIS Lead Agency within 24 hours of when they suspect that a User or Partner Agency has violated any HMIS operational agreement, policy, or procedure.
- •A complaint about a potential violation must include the User and Partner Agency name a description of the violation, including the date or timeframe of the suspected violation.
- •Complaints should be sent in writing to the HMIS Lead Agency at The name of the person making the complaint will not be released from the HMIS Lead Agency if the individual wishes to remain anonymous.

- Any Partner Agency or user violation of local, district, or federal law will immediately be subject to the consequences listed under the Third Violation above.
- All violations will be assessed by the Lead Agency and depending on their severity may be subject to the consequences listed under the Third Violation above as determined by the Lead Agency.
- •During a 12-month calendar year, if there are multiple users (three or more) with multiple violations (2 or more) from one Partner Agency, the Partner Agency as a whole will be subject to the consequences listed under the Third Violation above.

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Updated User Agreement

The HMIS User Agreement has been updated and digitized.

•*All users must report any potential conflict of interest to their Agency Administrator. Users who are also clients with files in the HMIS are prohibited from entering or editing information in their own file. All users are also prohibited from entering or editing information in files of immediate family members. The Lead Agency may run an HMIS user audit trail report to determine if there has been a violation or suspected violation of the conflict of interest agreement. *

ALL users must sign a new HMIS User Agreement by 10/1/2020



Additional Resources

•Helpdesk: hmis@community-partnership.org

- Email the helpdesk with questions and we will provide answers and resources.
- We respond within 2 business days.

•Trainings:

- We hold HMIS trainings every month.
- They are open to all, new user, seasoned veteran, or anywhere in between
- Training eventbrites are found at http://communitypartnership.org/providers/training
- Have questions about the trainings? Email the helpdesk!

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Thanks for participating!

Questions?

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