

TCP Training Tidbits

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National Voter Registration Month

In 2002, Secretaries of State established September as the National Voter Registration Month to encourage voter participation and increase awareness of state requirements and deadlines for voting. This year, National Voter Registration Day is September 17th, and there will be registration locations throughout the District. By going to nationalvoterregistrationday.org, you (or your clients) can check your voter registration and/or register to vote online!



As a reminder, when discussing voting and politics with clients, it is important to stay non-partisan and *provide information only* so your clients can make educated voting decisions. Explain the importance of voting and empower your clients to have their voices heard.

Training Topics

Last year, the Training Team updated how we will be monitoring training requirements. Previously, requirements were monitored by the *title* of trainings staff attended. In July 2023, we updated the requirements so that staff must now attend trainings to cover a list of *topics*. Training Transcripts now list all required topics, leaving a column for staff to enter the title of the training they attended that covered the topic. The reason for this update was to combine training topics, reducing the overall number of required trainings, and to allow the Training Team more flexibility when updating trainings.

All training certificates list the topics covered in the training. Additionally, the TCP Training Course Catalogue found on [our website](#) lists the most recent offering of trainings and the training topics covered in the training. Furthermore, the September training calendar (and all calendars moving forward) will include which topics are covered by each training to, hopefully, make it easier to monitor and complete training requirements. For a more in-depth explanation of the changes made in July 2023, please watch [this YouTube video](#).

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TRAINING TOPICS

Monitor your training requirements using topics instead of titles.

HYPOTHERMIA SEASON

Hypothermia season will be here before we know it. Training begins again in September.

QUARTERLY HBCM MEETING

The quarterly Housing Based Case Management Meeting will be September 19, 2024 at 10am

FRIENDLY REMINDER

You may not join trainings by phone audio only. You must be able to see and participate in the presentation.

Hypothermia Season

While we may still be trying to beat the heat, hypothermia season will be here before we know it. Hypothermia in Service training will begin in September, with the first in-person training taking place from 9am to 5pm on September 23, 2024 at the Hill Center (921 Pennsylvania Ave SE).

Hypothermia occurs when the body reaches a dangerously low body temperature, typically below 95 degrees Fahrenheit. During hypothermia season in DC, the shelter hotline is available 24/7 to assist with transportation to hypothermia shelters. Hypothermia shelters will be available from November 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025.

Low Barrier Shelters and security staff must attend the Hypothermia in Service training, which covers several important topics for working in a hypothermia shelter. **There will be 4 IN PERSON hypothermia trainings**, beginning in September, and everyone who does not attend an in-person training must complete the training on-demand.

Please note, spots for in-person training are limited, and we recommend new staff and security staff attend in-person, while returning staff complete the training on-demand. More information will be sent out very soon.

TCP Training Page

The TCP Training Team strives to keep the [Training page](#) on the TCP website as up-to-date as possible. On this page, you can find past newsletters, general training information, including our Course Catalogue and Frequently Asked Questions, some of our on-demand trainings, and Helpful Resources.

Quarterly Housing Based Case Management Meeting

The quarterly Housing Based Case Management (HBCM) meeting will be held on Thursday, September 19, 2024 from 10am-12pm. We will be highlighting voter registration and importance. Those who attend this meeting will receive credit for Housing Based Case Management.

In addition to the presenters, we would love for attendees to share any helpful resources or information during the meeting! These meetings are designed to be town-hall style in order to connect with other housing providers and collaborate to best serve our clients.

This meeting will be recorded for folks who are unable to join.

Register for the HBCM meeting here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/join/registration/tZctdu-hqDssHNR-QIDYrW4GCuxz0e8r2P6>



Friendly Reminder

Staff are expected to use a computer to join virtual trainings and use their own Zoom account. If staff are unable to join with a computer, staff may join using a phone with the Zoom app. Staff must be able to see the presentation and fully participate in polls, chat, etc. Staff may not join a training by phone audio only. The inability to participate in training activities due to joining from a phone is not acceptable.