

IN BoS CoC 2026 Spring Development Day Session List

*Sessions and titles are subject to change

Evansville's Homeless Connect and Where to Start for a Resource Fair in Your Community

This session will provide insight into Community Resource Fairs through the lens of a well-established Event.

This session is ideal for anyone interested in creating or improving a resource fair.

What Would You Do? Real-World Scenarios Workshop

This workshop session will focus on the unique, complicated, and difficult situations CoC Partner Agencies might encounter. Collaborate in small groups to discuss how to approach these complex scenarios.

This session is ideal for newer and experienced direct service or client-facing staff.

Every Person Counts: Completing Your Own Summer Snapshot

Join us for this panel where Regions 7 and 9 discuss the implementation of their respective Summer Counts. The panelists will discuss barriers, tips, and lessons learned regarding an attempt to gauge local area needs in the warmer months.

This session is ideal for anyone interested in completing a local or regional summer count of people experiencing homelessness or gauging needs at other points throughout the year.

Reports, Needs, Events, Oh My! - A Community Communication Workshop

Join us for this workshop session as we take a brief tour through communications, such as annual reports from across the CoC. We'll discuss strategies for communicating information with your community and break into small groups to discuss how to communicate specific topics, facts, needs, or successes.

This session is ideal for organizations or regions who want to improve communication about their great work but may need help getting started.

CoC NOFO: What we know and how agencies can begin to prepare

Suzanne Wagner from Housing Innovations will join Kristin Garvey and Meghann Thannikkunnath in discussing what we know about the upcoming NOFO. Special focus will be given to how agencies can begin planning in advance.

This session is ideal for agency leadership and anyone with questions about the upcoming CoC NOFO.

Transitional Housing: What is it?

Suzanne Wagner from Housing Innovations will present an overview of the Transitional Housing model and what this project type could look like at your agencies.

This session is ideal for anyone with questions about the Transitional Housing model and can help agency leadership determine if projects could be created or adapted to TH.

Nothing For Us Without Us: Voices of Lived Experience

This important panel will discuss the inclusion of people with lived experience in the decision-making process. Join Mary Bales, Stephen Ralph, Issy Kelley, and Dawn Baldwin (and facilitator Lori Wood) in discussing bringing perspectives of people with lived experience to the table in authentic ways.

This session is ideal for everyone working in homeless services in any capacity.

Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness

The FSSA and Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) funded partners from around the state come together for a panel focused on the potential impact of PATH in the local homeless response system.

This session is ideal for agencies and individuals looking to partner with their local PATH projects and anyone wanting more information about the PATH program.

Case Conferencing: What it SHOULD BE?

The IHCD CoC Engagement Team brings this workshop-style session regarding CE Case Conferencing. After a brief presentation, participants will break into groups to experience CE Case Conferencing in a first-hand simulation.

This session is ideal for newer and more experienced direct service or client-facing staff who participate in Coordinated Entry at any stage of the process. This is especially impactful for Regional CE Leads and those who attend CE Case Conferencing in their region.

HMIS Data: Agency-level data collection, analysis, and understanding

The HMIS Team will discuss the upcoming Regional Data Lead position, data evaluation tools (such as EVA), and how your agency can be looking at its own data today.

This session is ideal for fans of data and any agency interested in evaluating their own performance, practices, and outcomes. This session pairs well with the Community Communication Workshop.

Required Client Documentation

The IHCD Grants Team will discuss required client-level documentation. They will cover client files, digital documentation, and how to prepare them for a potential monitoring.

This session is ideal for newer and more experienced direct service or client-facing staff responsible for documentation and client files. This is also beneficial for leadership staff who help create policies at the agency level regarding client files, documentation, and records.

What If... An Agency-Level Presentation About Unique Occurrences

IHCD staff discuss unique scenarios agencies have faced across the CoC in the last year and how your agencies can plan for the possibility of these curveball events.

This session is ideal for leadership, and anyone interested in preparing for less common scenarios. This is especially beneficial to staff responsible for contingency planning, compliance, or agency leadership new to their roles.

Better Together: Partnering With Your Local Public Housing Authority

Revisiting a session from 2024's Spring Development Day, the panel will discuss what's changed in the last two years and provide insights on how your local community can incorporate your Public Housing Authority within the Homeless Response System.

This session is ideal for anyone interested in strengthening or partnering with their local PHA.

Confidentiality Best Practices

This panel will discuss the best practices and expectations around confidentiality as well as how agencies can implement those recommendations and requirements in their policies and practices.

This session is ideal for newer and more experienced direct service or client-facing staff.

Best of Times and Worst of Times: Policy Best Practices for Program Agreements, Grievances, and Termination

The IHODA Compliance Team will lead this presentation regarding recommendations on policies and documents for clients at program entry and exit. This session will focus on Program Agreements, Grievance policies, and Termination policies.

This session is ideal for leadership and compliance staff, especially those stakeholders who play a key role in crafting the above-mentioned policies/documents at an agency level.

Volunteer Engagement

Hear from CoC-Network partners with established volunteer practices. This session will discuss practical uses for volunteers at your agency and considerations for implementation.

This session is ideal for agencies and staff interested in utilizing volunteers or optimizing the way they currently interact with volunteers. It is recommended for administrative and leadership staff as well as those who play key roles related to volunteers and fundraisers.