**CT BOS Semi-annual Meeting Minutes**

**5/17/24 - 11:00 am – 1:00pm**

1. **Welcome and Chairs Introductions**

[May 2024 Semi-annual meeting attendance](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/hkw8dn4olmxa90pmomep6/SC-participants-may-2024.xlsx?rlkey=gamh6defp0ydh1o6lplyxwfbp&dl=0)

1. **Guidelines for BOS Meetings**
2. **Adopt April SC Meeting Minutes –** minutes approved by consensus

1. **Announcements**

* Post Steering Committee Meeting Q & A
  + Anyone who has questions or concerns is invited to stay on at the end of each meeting.
* Welcome new Steering Committee members!
  + Michael Aiello, Court Support Services Division (CSSD)
  + Annette Buckley, United Way, 211
* CT BOS Steering Committee Youth Rep Position Available
  + Applications for BOS Youth Rep: [BOS SC Youth Rep Application](https://www.ctbos.org/wp-content/uploads/Youth-Community-Representative-SC-Application-2024-1.docx) due 6/10/24 to [ctboscoc@gmail.com](mailto:ctboscoc@gmail.com)
* Disabling Condition Verification Assistance from LMHAs
  + All LMHAs have identified point people who can help verify behavioral health disabilities. Mollie Machado, DMHAS, encouraged providers who need assistance to get disabling condition verifications to contact their Local Mental Health Authorities (LMHAs). Contact information is provided here: [Contacts LMHAs](https://www.ctbos.org/wp-content/uploads/State-Operated-LMHA-Contacts-May-2024.xlsx). Mollie is available to assist with trouble shooting as necessary.
* SNOFO Outreach Measures Update
* Measures will be discussed at the June Steering Committee meeting.

1. **Presentation: All In: The Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness**

* Nichele J. Carver, Senior Regional Advisor, [U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness](https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=http%3a%2f%2fusich.gov%2f&c=E,1,7I-k1fHq3W4_On_KnxzSuz02l_evwwYZVAh1cwRjOiSBUYFXrglciYZL3Dmgok6vcPsRzlR-nzTA5uJeRASnR7X9_eGZWHDQ2gs6lC3ME0bBIA,,&typo=1) presented on the federal plan. See slides: [The Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/urqbthpqoj6ddg59lykki/All-In-Briefing-Slides-Updated-Template-Statespptx-05_24.pptx?rlkey=y58jwwtmdws8tz7nvoewt31aw&dl=0)

1. **CT BOS Strategic Plan Discussion & Break Out Rooms**
   * The CoC has engaged in formal Strategic Planning Discussions since 2017, with updates every few years. Themes and goals have included:
     + Ensure CoC continues to get new funding.
     + Engage new stakeholders and diversify perspectives.
     + Address staff recruitment and retention challenges.
     + Strengthen coordination with partner organizations.
     + Adopt consistent practices across the state.
     + Address inequities in care and advance effective service delivery models.
     + Make information about the CoC more accessible and easier to navigate.
     + Strengthen HMIS.

* Over the years, key accomplishments have included: strengthened use of technology:

continued to secure new CoC funds in each annual CoC Competition; took steps to reduce inequities in care; added new partners; advanced effective program practices; expanded training & support opportunities and advanced effective service delivery models.

* + Participants broke out into groups to discuss questions related to the CT BOS Strategic Plan. See summary of feedback: [BOS Strategic Planning Discussion](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/3yunren7av1nlzo59n01f/BOS-Strategic-Planning-Discussion.docx?rlkey=pl3ysnrxg683uh6c69tkztmuj&dl=0)

1. **System Performance Measures Updates**
   * Rose Kelly, CCEH presented on BOS SPMs FY2023 vs FY2024. [CCEH SPM Presentation May 2024](file:///Users/lizisaacs/Housing%20Innovations%20Dropbox/TA%20Projects/CT%20BOS%20CT-505/2024/Minutes%20and%20Agendas/05-May/CCEH%20SPM%20Presentation%20May%202024)
   * Improved performance was seen in the following areas:
     + Decrease in median length of stay (LOS)
     + Increase in total income increases for Stayers and Leavers

* Challenges were seen in the following areas:
  + Increase in total persons
  + Increase in Avg LOS
  + All program types saw an increase in the percentage of clients returning
  + All program types saw an increase in total persons
  + There was an increase in clients with no prior enrollments in past 24 months

1. **Partner Announcements & Other Business**

* CCEH is holding their Annual Training Institute (ATI) on 6/12/24. For more info: [ATI Registration](https://ctceh.springly.org/page/2697112-2024-ati)

1. **Steering Committee Meeting Schedule**

* June 21, 2024; 11-12:30
* July 19, 2024; 11-12:30
* August 16, 2024; 11-12:30
* September 20, 2024; 11-12:30
* October 18, 2024; 11-12:30
* November 15, 2024; 11-12:30
* December 20, 2024; 11-12:30