



Data Matters October 2009

SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations AHAR award winning Continuum of Care (CoC) regions!

Duluth/St. Louis County

Minneapolis/Hennepin
County

Northeast CoC

Northwest CoC

Scott/Carver Counties

Southeast CoC

Washington County

West Central CoC

Wilder would like to thank ALL HMIS users across Minnesota for their hard work in submitting data for the AHAR.

Would you or your agency like to be featured in our HMIS Spotlight? Please contact [Melissa Hansen](#).

ServicePointer

When deleting a Service Transaction or an Entry/Exit for a household, you must go into each household

HMIS Updates

Every provider's data quality counts!

Your HMIS data quality affects the score your area receives on the HUD application, even if you are not HUD funded. The more missing data your agency has, the lower your CoC's data quality score on the HUD application, which may result in less HUD funding for homeless services in your area. HUD stresses the importance of data quality so it is more important than ever to have the best data quality possible. Once again this year, we have reports available that can help.

Data quality reports can be found in the "HUD Application Report" folder in the Advanced Reporting Tool (ART).

- If you have ART access and enter entry/exits for clients, use the *2008 NOFA Exh2 EE* counting and checking reports.
- If you have ART access but do NOT enter entry/exits for clients, use the *2008 NOFA Exh2 Services* counting and checking reports.

The reports must be run for the 2008 calendar year. If you do not have access ART, contact [Wilder Staff](#) to run the reports for you.

Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) data collection begins November 1, 2009. Are you ready?

Beginning on November 1, 2009, we will be pulling HMIS data for **emergency shelter** and **transitional housing** programs across the state as part of our data collection efforts for the Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR). We will collect summary data for all **emergency shelter** and **transitional housing** programs and send it to HUD's data analysis team to begin analysis for the AHAR. The reporting period for the data is October 1, 2008 -

members record separately. Otherwise, the information will not be deleted from other household members records.

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September 30, 2009. Please finish entering your data through September 30, 2009 into HMIS by November 1, 2009. This will ensure that HUD has an accurate and complete picture of your clients and programs.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact [Wilder staff](#). Please also refer to the [AHAR fact sheet](#).

Reports Due

Quarterly reports are coming due quickly. Remember to start checking your data.

DHS Youth: October 15, 2009

ESGP: October 31, 2009

LTH-DHS: November 2, 2009

LTH-MHFA: November 2, 2009

For more funder-specific information, visit [Minnesota's HMIS](#).