

El Paso HMIS  
Steering Committee Meeting  
“The More You Know”



April 2024  
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# What Will Be Covered?

- Clarity Updates- April 2024
- El Paso HMIS: Data Quality Plan
  - Overview
  - Discussion
  - Suggested Changes
- Conclusion/Questions



# Clarity Update-April 2024

- April 2024 updates include updates to the client record
- Updates will be live on 4/22/2024.

Coming Soon!

## Clarity Human Services: April 2024 Feature Updates

This month's release includes updates to the client record URL and the HMIS Element Type.

### Release Schedule:

- **All Training Sites:** Monday, April 8, 2024
- **All Production Sites:** Monday, April 22, 2024

# URL of Client Profile Screen

- The URL for a client's record will now contain the client's Unique Identifier (UID). Users can edit the URL to navigate to another client's record.



If a client's record has been merged with another client's record, and a user enters the first client's UID into the URL:

- The system directs the client to the merged record.
- The URL is automatically changed to show the UID of the merged record.

The old URLs with the previous General ID will be maintained for at least six months after release

# Updates to suggestions in HMIS

Bitfocus allows Admins to suggest updates or new features we would like to see in Clarity Human Services HMIS. Suggestions can come from users within their community and be submitted by an admin or if the suggestion is there, can up vote it.

We have received updates to some of the ideas supported and are starting to be planned. The updates include:

## **-Increase Uploaded File Size**

This update will hopefully allow users to upload files sizes bigger than 4MB. Lets hope its double or triple that amount!

## **-Add Foreign Countries to Geolocation**

This could help Street Outreach teams when it comes to encampments close to the border. When mapping a location, it would not recognize it due to being near the Mexico border. With this update, we should be able to pinpoint the location regardless of location.

# HMIS Data Quality Plan

It was recommended by HUD TA's to have a Data Quality Plan in place so all agencies are aware of what the expectations are for general data entry into HMIS.

With the Data Quality Plan, it is up to the HMIS Steering Committee to approve, deny or revise the plan that best fits what is needed for users and the community.

We will go through the DQP and highlight some key pieces and make sure everyone understands what is expected and if anything needs to be added and/or cut.

Remember, this is a base for data entry. Programs may have additional data entry points that must be entered due to funding source or program type.

Lets get into it!

[El Paso Coalition for the Homeless\EPCH Data Quality Plan.docx](#)

# Conclusion

- Keep any eye out for HMIS update. Update should go live on 4/22/2024. Any additional updates to the suggestions, we will let you know when they go live.
- If you have any suggestions to add a feature in HMIS, please send it to us so we can either add the suggestion or up-vote the suggestion currently in place.
- We would like to get everyone's approval of the Data Quality Plan by next month's HMIS Steering Committee Meeting. If you cannot attend next month, but would like to add any comments to the plan, please let me know!

**Any Questions?**

# EPCH HMIS “Eyes on the Fries!”

## HMIS Zoom Lunch Meeting!

- **Open to anyone who needs help or has questions with HMIS!**
- **Zoom meeting will be from 11:30am-1:30pm**
- **Next meeting is on Friday 4/19/2024!**
  - **Bring your questions, concerns and lunch!**
- **Hosted by Denver Herald (HMIS Tech)**

**Hope To See You There!**





# Thank you!



Seeing  
errors  
in HMIS



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