

# Alameda County HMIS

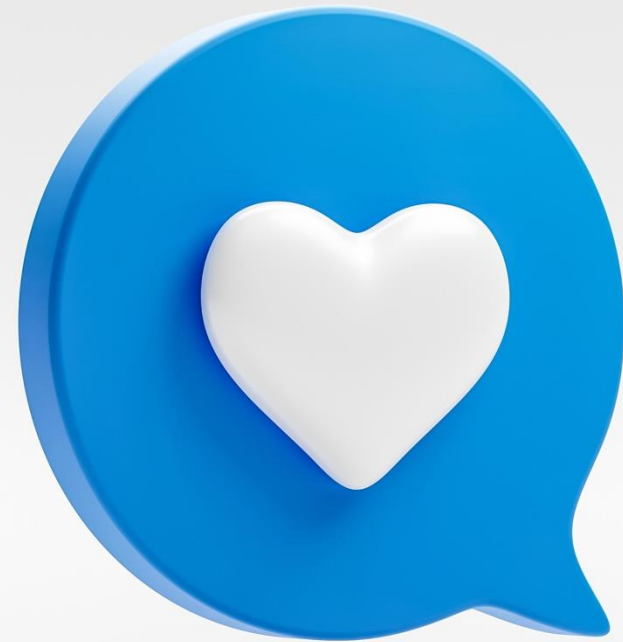
Monthly User Meeting  
September 2025

# Agenda

- Announcements
- Coordinated Entry Overview
- HUD Data Standards
- Resource Reminders



# Announcements





# Coordinated Entry



# 2026 HUD Data Standards

Summary of Changes (Tentative)



# HUD Data Standards

Rules and guidelines for collecting, organizing, and sharing data across Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) and Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs to ensure consistency and accuracy.



The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) updates the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Data Standards every other year.

The requirements of the FY2026 updates must be programmed and in practice by all HMIS and comparable database systems by **Wednesday, October 1, 2025.**





# What's New?





# Funding Sources 2.06



# Race & Ethnicity

**Race and Ethnicity**

Additional Race and Ethnicity Detail

Veteran Status

Select

- ☐ American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous
- ☐ Asian or Asian American
- ☐ Black, African American, or African
- ☐ **Hispanic/Latina/o**
- ☐ Middle Eastern or North African
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Client doesn't know

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# Gender

Gender has been retired from HUD Data Standards but will continue to be collected at the local level for Alameda CoC.

The screenshot shows a web form with several fields: 'Middle Name' (with a dropdown set to 'None'), 'Gender' (highlighted with a red box), 'Race and Ethnicity', 'Additional Race and Ethnicity Detail', 'Veteran Status', and 'Client is Deceased'. The 'Gender' dropdown is open, showing a list of options with checkboxes: 'Woman (Girl, if child)', 'Man (Boy, if child)', 'Culturally Specific Identity (e.g., Two-Spirit)', 'Transgender', 'Non-Binary', 'Questioning', 'Different Identity', and 'Client doesn't know'. A 'SAVE' button is visible at the bottom left of the form area.

| Field                                | Value / Options   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Middle Name                          | None  |
| Gender                               | Woman (Girl, if child)<br>Man (Boy, if child)<br>Culturally Specific Identity (e.g., Two-Spirit)<br>Transgender<br>Non-Binary<br>Questioning<br>Different Identity<br>Client doesn't know |
| Race and Ethnicity                   |   |
| Additional Race and Ethnicity Detail |   |
| Veteran Status                       |   |
| Client is Deceased                   |   |



# Housing Move in Date

- Housing Move-in Date must be collected for VA: Grant Per Diem - Case Management/Housing Retention Projects.

VA: Grant Per Diem - Case Management/Housing Retention Projects is a specific and significant funding source from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

*It is a grant program designed to provide financial support to community-based organizations that help homeless veterans and those at risk of homelessness find and retain permanent housing.*

# Disabling Conditions 4.05-4.10

The following fields are not required for VA-funded and HUD: VASH programs – Alameda CoC will continue to collect these

Physical Disability

Long Term Physical Disability

Chronic Health Condition

Long Term Chronic Health Condition

Mental Health Disorder

Long Term Mental Health Problem

Substance Abuse Disorder

Long Term Substance Abuse Problem

HIV – AIDS

Developmental Disability

## Sex 4.21 (NEW!)

Data Collection Point: Enrollment Screen (Required)

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Sex

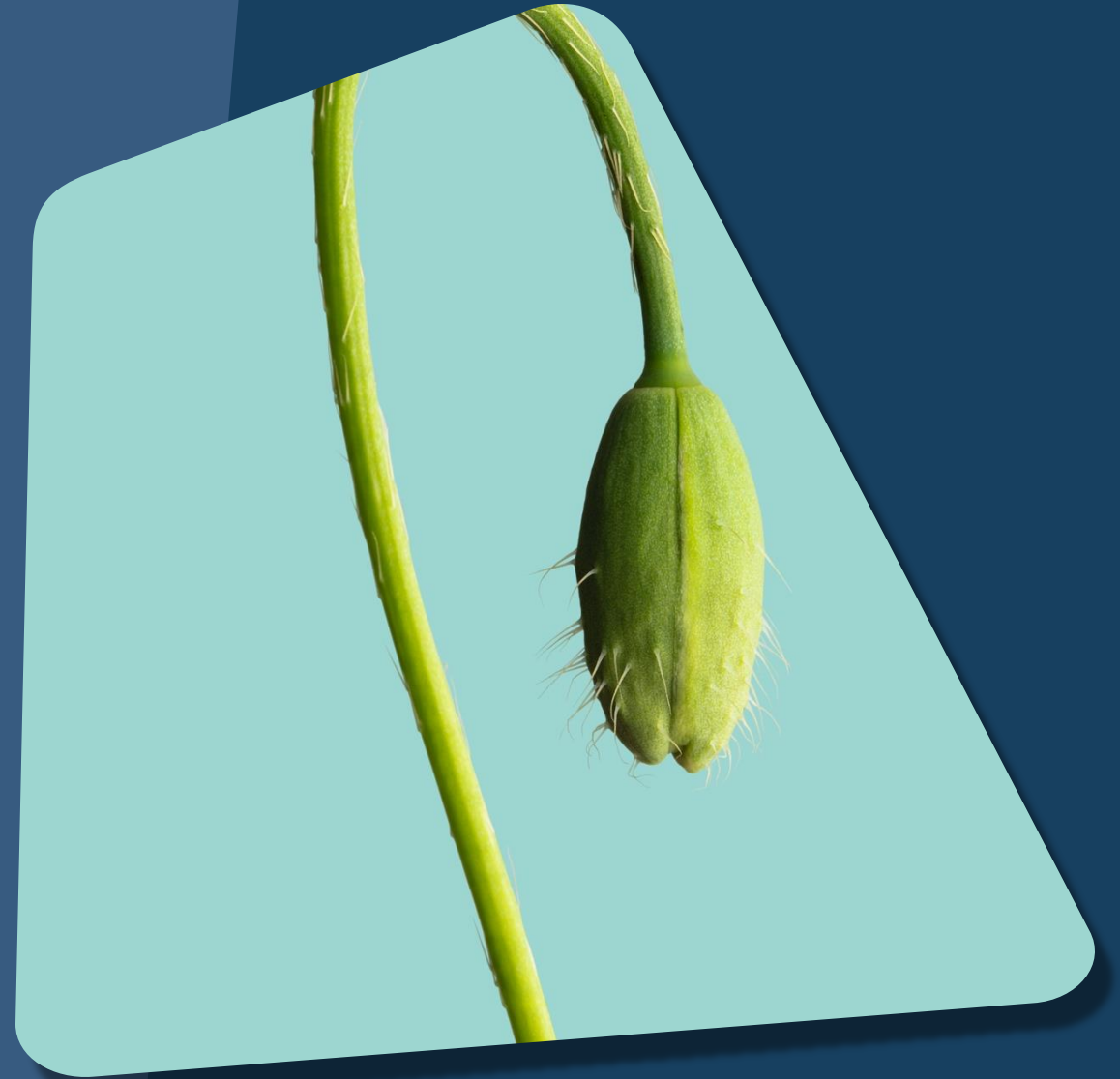
- ✓ Select
- Female
- Male
- Client doesn't know
- Client prefers not to answer
- Data not collected



# Translation Assistance (C4)

Retired:

- Translation Assistance Needed
- Preferred Language
- If Different Preferred Language, please specify



# Sexual Orientation (R3) (*Retired*)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Sexual Orientation

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- ✓ Select
- Heterosexual
- Gay
- Lesbian
- Bisexual
- Questioning/Unsure
- Other
- Client doesn't know
- Client prefers not to answer
- Data not collected

Sexual Orientation is retiring as a HUD Data Standard but will continue to be collected locally.

# V2 Services Provided - SSVF

- The field VA SSVF Service will be updated to include “Healthcare Navigation” as a service.
- The Service Title is “Healthcare Navigation”
  - Healthcare navigation for Veterans involves personalized assistance in accessing and managing their health services, ensuring they understand and utilize their benefits effectively.





# V10 Mental Health Consultation

New Field: **Mental Health Consultation**

Data Collection Point: **Enrollment Screen**

Funding Sources:

- VA: SSVF-funded Homelessness Prevention project
- VA: SSVF-funded Rapid Rehousing project
- VA: Grant per Diem-Case Management/Housing Retention-funded Services Only project

Mental Health Consultation

Sex

✓ Select

Mental health consultation completed

Mental health consultation being coordinated/arranged with VA provider

Mental health consultation being coordinated/arranged with other provider

Offer declined

# Data Collection Reminders

Continue to collect and enter

- Gender
- Sexual Orientation

These data points support providing important information about populations served



# General and Custom Reports

General reports will be updated to align with FY 2026 Data Standards and impacted custom reports have been identified.

Additional information about general and custom reports will be communicated as it becomes available via [Pentaho Release Notes](#) and/or targeted communication/documentation.



As of September 2025, HUD Exchange resources for the 2026 HUD Data Standards updates have not yet been published. Once available, links will be added to the Bitfocus Help Desk website.

# Clarity Demo





# Community Resources

- > Monthly User & Liaison Meetings
- > Monthly Office Hours
- > Alameda County Bitfocus Website  
<https://alameda.bitfocus.com/>
- > Clarity Online Help Center
- > Real Time Support Via  
Online Chat (Clarity)  
Phone (800)594-9854  
Community Administration Team  
[hmissupport@achmis.org](mailto:hmissupport@achmis.org)  
Help Desk [alameda@bitfocus.com](mailto:alameda@bitfocus.com)



# Questions?

