

# Tracking Chronic Data Over Time: Data Support!

# Welcome!

# Agenda & Presenters

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- Overview of Data Needed to Track “Aging In” to Chronic Status
  - CS Data Team
- Tracking Data Chronic Status Post-Assessment in HMIS: Chicago’s Approach
  - Kimberly Schmitt & Adam Czernikowski, All Chicago
- Diving into HMIS with OrgCode: Using HMIS in Real-Time to Evaluate Changes in Chronic Homelessness
  - David Tweedie, OrgCode
- Mapping “Aging In” to Chronic Status in Excel
  - CS Data Team

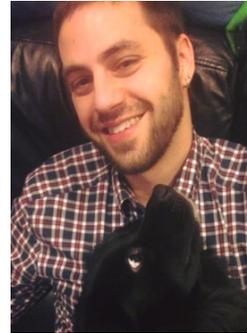
# Today's Presenters



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# What Data Do I Need to Track Changes in Chronic Status Post-Assessment?

# “Aging in” doesn’t happen in a vacuum!

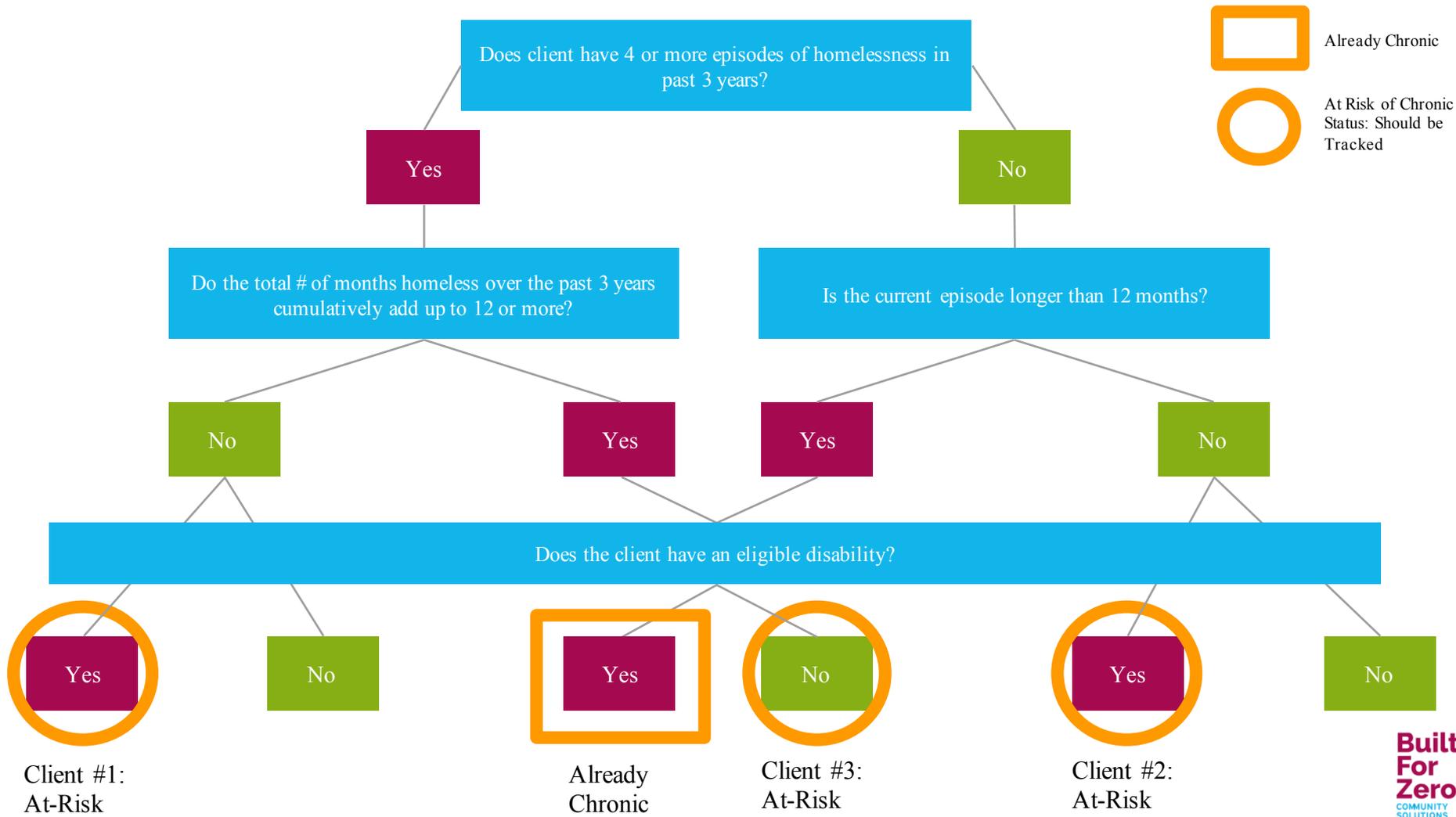
You need to have a strong foundation! This includes:

- Master list of everyone who is experiencing homelessness in your community
- Quality data in
- A clear understanding of your data in
- Might require initial data clean-up!

# Necessary Fields to Calculate “Aging In”\*

1. **Date of Identification**
2. **Total Number of Episodes of Homelessness in Past 3 Years (\*Inclusive of Current)**
3. **Cumulative Length of All Homeless Episodes Prior to Identification (in Past 3 Years)**
4. **Number of Months Homeless at Identification**
5. **Presence of an Eligible Disability**

**\*Each community will have their own operational definition for these fields**

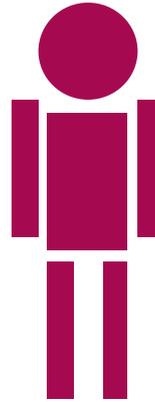




**Client #1**

**HAS:**

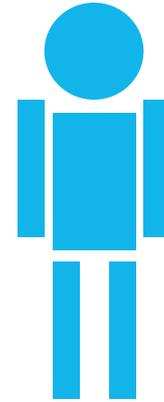
- Eligible disability
- 4+ episodes of homelessness in past 3 years



**Client #2**

**HAS:**

- Eligible disability



**Client #3**

**HAS:**

- 4+ episodes of homelessness in past 3 years equaling 12+ months **OR**
- 12+ continuous months in current episode

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**MISSING:**

- At least 12 cumulative months homeless over past 3 years

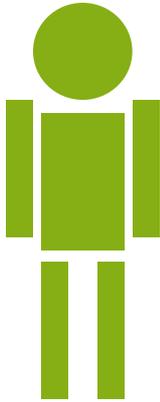
**MISSING:**

- 12+ continuous months in current episode **OR**
- 4+ episodes in past 3 years cumulatively totaling 12+ months

**MISSING:**

- Eligible disability

## The Key to Tracking Chronic Status Over Time: Chronic “Start” Date!



**Client #1**

If a client with an eligible disability is not housed, she will eventually become chronically homeless.

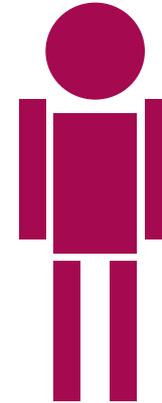
To track chronic status over time, you need to know the date each client will become chronic if she is not housed!

### HAS:

- Eligible disability
- 4+ episodes of homelessness in past 3 years

### MISSING:

- At least 12 cumulative months homeless over past 3 years



**Client #2**

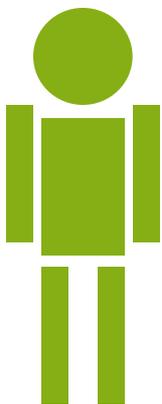
### HAS:

- Eligible disability

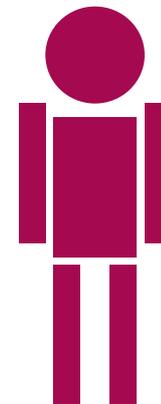
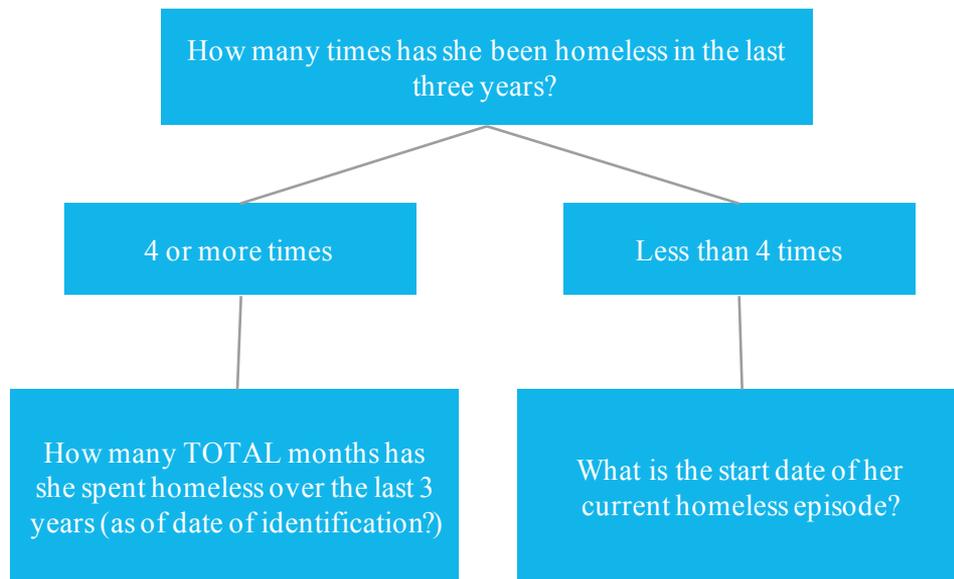
### MISSING:

- 12+ continuous months in current episode **OR**
- 4+ episodes in past 3 years cumulatively totaling 12+ months

# What Data Points Do I Need to Calculate Chronic “Start” Date?

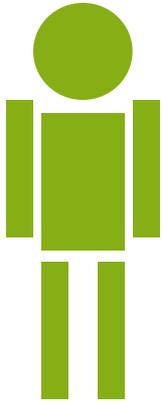


**Client #1**



**Client #2**

# Where can I get data for Client #1?



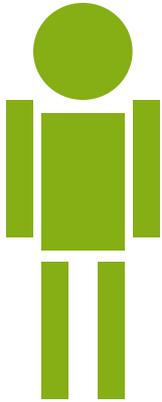
**Client #1**  
(Has 4+ episodes)

How many TOTAL months has she spent homeless over the last 3 years (as of date of identification?)

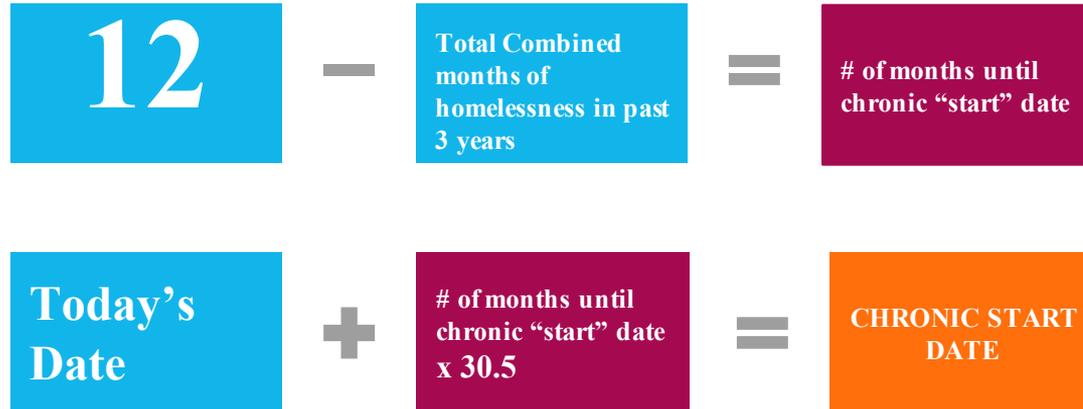
## Way to calculate:

- Self report start and end dates of each episode (including current to date) and add up total months
- Use HUD UDE 3.917 (Field 5 - Total Number of Months Homeless in Past 3 Years) data IF you have confidence that this data point represents CUMULATIVE homeless months for the past 3 years
- Use VI-SPDAT response to question “What is the total length of time you have lived on the streets or in shelter?” IF you have confidence this data represents CUMULATIVE homeless months and can determine whether at least 12 months of reported homelessness took place within last 3 years
- Other self-report mechanisms (coordinated assessment tool); intake form - can adapt intake form to collect this specific data point)

# How do I calculate chronic “start” date for Client #1?



**Client #1:**  
(Has 4+ episodes)



## Where can I get data for Client #2?



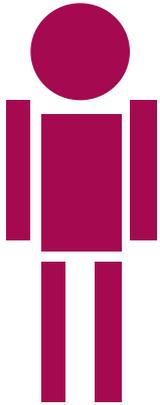
**Client #2**  
(Has less than  
4 episodes)

What is the start date of her current episode homeless episode?

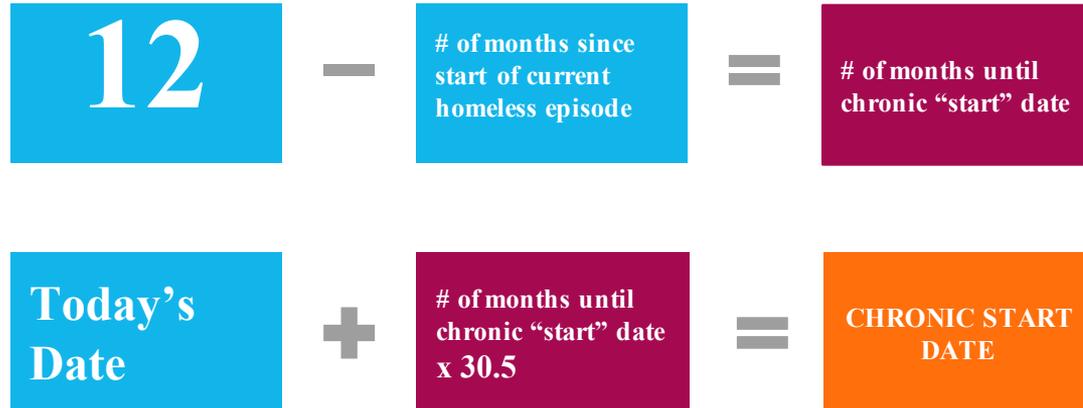
### Way to calculate:

- Use HUD UDE 3.917A data (field 3 - Approximate Date Homelessness Started) IF you are confident this data captures start date of most recent episode
- Use VI-SPDAT response to question “What is the total length of time you have lived on the streets or in shelter?” IF response to total number of episodes in last 3 years is 1; subtract those months from the date VI-SPDAT is administered to determine start date of episode
- Other self-report mechanisms (coordinated assessment tool); intake form - can adapt intake form to collect this specific data point)

# How do I calculate chronic “start” date?



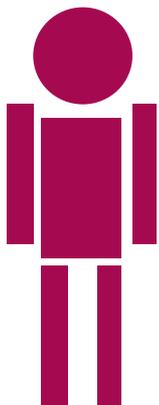
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# How Do I Use Chronic Start Date to Track “Aging In” to Chronic Homelessness?

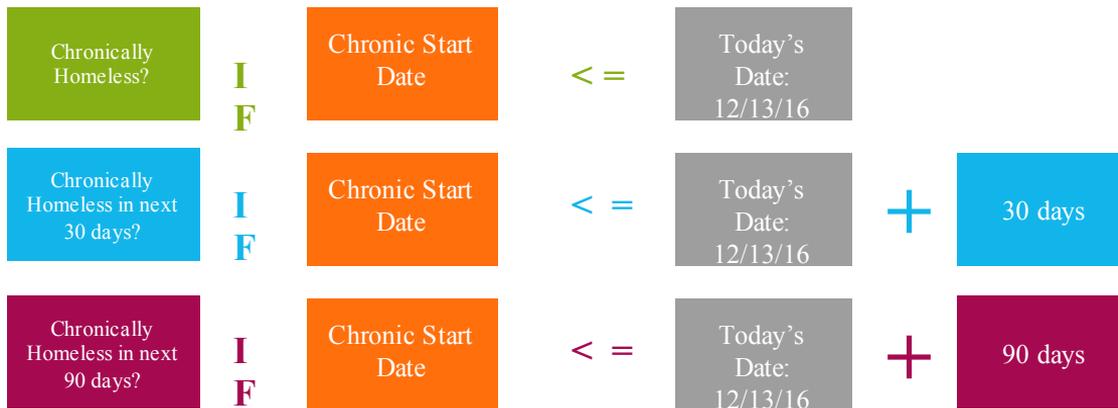


Client #1



Client #2

Client ID	Chronic Start Date	Chronically Homeless?	Chronically Homeless in next 30 days?	Chronically Homeless in next 90 days?
Client #1	2/28/2017	No*	No*	Yes*
Client #2	12/31/2016	No*	Yes*	Yes*



Missing Disability	30 Days Until Chronic (Continuous)	1 Episode Until Chronic	30 Days Until Chronic (Episodic)
Aaron	Ben	Carol	David
Aiden	Becky	Chris	Dominic
Allison	Bill	Charlie	Dora
Amy	Betsy	Chloe	Debbie

## DEFINING THRESHOLDS

**Group 1:** 30 days until chronic (EPISODIC)

**Group 2:** Missing disability

**Group 3:** 30 days until chronic (CONTINUOUS)

**Group 4:** 1 episode until chronic

# Tracking Chronic Status Post-Assessment in HMIS: Chicago's Approach

# Components of Chicago's CH BNL

## HMIS: The foundation of the CH BNL

- Client data entered by all HMIS participating projects throughout the CoC
- Participating Projects
  - Outreach projects
  - Shelters
  - Transitional Housing
  - Permanent Housing projects
  - Safe Havens
  - Services Only
  - Coordinated Assessment projects
- Timeframes for capturing client data
  - Entries into projects
  - Updated assessments
  - Exits from projects

## HMIS: Moving toward the full implementation of an “All One List”

# HMIS as the foundation of the CH BNL:

## Positive and challenging factors

### Positive Factors:

- Data included by all providers allows for comprehensive and inclusive list of all potential individuals experiencing chronic homelessness
- Automatic updating of clients placement on or removal from the BNL based on current enrollments, movement between projects, and changes to housing status
- Ability to use HMIS data to help ensure appropriate referrals are sent to PH projects and to allow for determination and/or validation of CH status

### Challenging Factors:

- Multiple data entered can create conflicting details to be addressed by reporting logic for inclusion or exclusion
- User error possibility promotes the need for data quality checks and processes

# Creation of a solid foundation for the BNL generation from HMIS

- Training
  - Definition and data entry for projects currently working with the greatest number of individuals experiencing Chronic Homelessness
  - Data specific trainings - Example - Destination
- Data quality process and “timeliness” of data entry
- Collaborative discussion on reporting logic and rules for the creation of the BNL

	Project Entries excluded from CH One List	True at entry to get Project Entries on CH One List	Changes after project entry to make someone CH/not CH	Notes	
Project Type	SO, SSO, or Other and not in CE - Entry is greater than one year prior to report.	-Enrolled in ES, SH, or SO with CH designation (or exited to non-PH Destination in last 90 days) -Enrolled in Coord. Entry, SSO project with Housing Status of Category 1 or 4 (or exited to non-PH Destination in last 90 days)			
CoC code	Client location - not (IL-510 or missing) in entry assessment	Client location IL-510 or missing			
Multiple Entries	Interim Review for indicates client housed in RRH more recently than entry into project claiming they're CH				
	Entered TH, PHwSS, or PH more recently than entering a project claiming they're CH	Entered a project claiming they're CH more recently than entering TH, PHwSS, or PH		Not for automatic placement on One List, but these need to be reviewed in separate report tab and handled appropriately: -PSH Entry without Exit followed by ES Entry -TH or PHwSS Entry prior to ES Entry -TH or PHwSS Entry prior to SO or SSO Entry with Housing Status of Homeless	
	Exit to PH destination more recent than entry into project claiming they're CH	-PSH Entry (unexited) followed by ES/SH Entry <i>and CE Entry</i>			
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Number of times homeless	Fewer than four times homeless (coupled with not continuously homeless for 1 year or more) -Four or more times homeless but Total months homeless is < 12 months -If value for single project entry assessment is "Four or more," but the most recent value in the system is not that (because the field has been updated more recently), then the person will NOT be considered CH for "Four or more" purposes	-4 or more times homeless in last three years -12 months total homeless in last 3 years at Entry -Time spent enrolled in ES, SH, or SO may increase to 12 months	Four or more times homeless in last 3 years, but under 12 months of total homelessness when entering ES/SH/SO; additional time spent in that project puts them above 12 months homeless in last 3 years		

# A Closer Look at CH Logic Formation

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# The BNL - Chicago's "CH One List"

## The List: Referrals and updates

Name	ClientID	Need Status	Referral Date	Service Referto Provider	Need Notes	Date Updated	PH Entry Date	User Creating	User Updating	Client Unique	Program Type
		Housed	10/1/2015			12/2/2015					Coord Assess
		Housed	7/3/2015			1/14/2016					PRH
		Housed	9/28/2015			11/19/2015					PRH
		Housed	8/4/2016			10/5/2016					Coord Assess
		Enrolled in Housing Program (for RRH and SSVF)	8/25/2015			9/1/2015					PRH

## The List: Data Quality "Checks"

ClientID	Name	Client Unique Id	Project Entry Date	Entry Exit Provider Id
			11/1/2015	Human Resources Development Institute, Inc. (HRDI) - Shelter Plus Care II(468)
			12/28/2015	North Side Housing & Supportive Services - Ending Veteran Homelessness Initiative(1337)
			3/1/2016	Thresholds, Inc. - MAU-PSH(1395)
			11/1/2016	Thresholds, Inc. Shelter Plus Care III(515)
			9/1/2016	Thresholds, Inc. Shelter Plus Care III(515)

# The BNL - Chicago's "CH One List"

## The List: Project Enrollments for CH Verification Process

### Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing Entries in Last 3 Years

ROI?	ClientID	Provider	Entry Date	Exit Date	# Days Enrolled	Exit Destination	Reason Leaving	Client Unique Id
No ROI from EVHI			7/12/2016	7/13/2016	1	No exit interview completed (HUD)	Other	

ROI?	ClientID	Provider	Entry Date	Exit Date	# Days Enrolled	Exit Destination	Reason Leaving	Client Unique Id
No ROI from EVHI			11/28/2016		15			
No ROI from EVHI			12/18/2015	1/5/2016	18	Staying or living with family, permanent tenure (HUD)	Completed program	
No ROI from EVHI			5/13/2015	7/1/2015	49	Transitional housing for homeless persons (including homeless youth) (HUD)	Completed program	
No ROI from EVHI			3/11/2015	4/1/2015	21	Jail, prison or juvenile detention facility (HUD)	Criminal activity / violence	

# The BNL - Chicago's "CH One List"

## The List: Report Query Example 1

All project entries that identify an individual as experiencing CH

The screenshot displays a query builder interface with a hierarchical structure of logical conditions. The conditions are organized into several levels of nesting, indicated by vertical lines and labels like 'And' and 'Or'. The conditions include:

- Entry Exit Entry Date Less than Five Months Ago
- Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES or SH in the past three years(3283) In list 6
- Entry Exit Entry Date Less than Six Months Ago
- Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES or SH in the past three years(3283) In list 5
- Entry Exit Entry Date Less than Seven Months Ago
- Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES or SH in the past three years(3283) In list 4
- Entry Exit Entry Date Less than Eight Months Ago
- Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES or SH in the past three years(3283) In list 3
- Entry Exit Entry Date Less than Nine Months Ago
- Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES or SH in the past three years(3283) In list 2
- Entry Exit Entry Date Less than Ten Months Ago
- Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES or SH in the past three years(3283) In list one month (this time is the first month) (HUD)
- Entry Exit Entry Date Less than Eleven Months Ago
- Client Unique Id In list Client Unique Id from the query result of chicago\_live\_u
- Approximate date homelessness started;(3281) Less than or Equal to Entry Exit Entry Date
- Current Residence/Living Situation(43) In list on (HUD);Safe Haven (HUD);Interim Housing
- Current Residence/Living Situation(43) In list substance treatment facility or detox center (HUD)
- Length of Stay in Previous Place(978) In list more, but less than one month;Two to six nights

# The BNL - Chicago's "CH One List"

The List: Report Query Example 2

All project enrollments further explored to ensure that an entry does not identify an individual as not experiencing CH

## Query Filters

Query Filters

- Entry Exit Inactive In list ▾ No
- Client Inactive In list ▾ No
- Client Unique Id In list ▾ Client Unique Id from the query result of chicago\_live\_ee\_u
- Or
  - Entry Exit Exit Date Is null ▾
  - And
    - Entry Exit Exit Date Greater than or Equal to ▾ Five Months Ago
    - Entry Exit Destination In list ▾ ss persons (including homeless youth) (HUD)
- And
  - Entry Exit Provider Program Type Code Not in list ▾ ed for entry) (HUD);PH - Housing only (HUD)
  - Entry Exit Provider Id In list ▾ Provider from the query result of chicago\_live\_resource\_point\_u
  - Entry Exit Provider Id Not in list ▾ Justice -SSI Homeless Outreach Project(1108)
  - Or
    - Entry Exit Provider Program Type Code Not in list ▾ Services Only (HUD)
    - Entry Exit Entry Date Greater than or Equal to ▾ Right Now - 1 Year Ago
  - Or
    - Entry Exit Provider Program Type Code In list ▾ ed Assessment (HUD);Street Outreach (HUD)
    - Housing Status(1446) In list ▾ ategory 4 - Fleeing domestic violence (HUD)

# Updating CH status after Entry/Initial Assessment

- Individuals approaching Chronic Homeless status, but not an Entry/Initial Assessment
  - Entering shelter
  - Remaining in a place not meant for habitation
    - Exits from projects to “non-PH” destination
    - Assessing for inactive status
  - Engagement with Outreach Worker

# Updating CH status after Entry/Initial Assessment

Individuals likely to become **CH** are identified via HMIS automatically and added to list once timeframes are met

Question:	Area to Measure:	
1. Were they experiencing CH at Entry?	Day become homeless	Day entered the project
2. If not experiencing CH at Entry, are they continuously homeless for 366 days now?	Day became homeless	Today's date
3. If homeless "four or more times" at Entry, but not for 12 months during past three years, are they at 12 months now?	Day entered project	Today's date

# Updating CH status after Entry/Initial Assessment

- Permanent Housing Data
  - Destination from project
- Transitional Housing Data
  - Entry and Destination details
- **Disability** details

Question:	Area to Measure:	
Were they diagnosed with a disability at initial assessment or project Entry? If not, would they have been CH if they had a disability?	Experiencing Disability at Assessment/Project Entry	Disability information added at Update Assessment or subsequent project enrollment

# Diving Into HMIS with OrgCode: Using HMIS in Real-Time to Evaluate Changes in Chronic Homelessness

# Tracking in Real-Time Who Meets and Will Soon Meet the Definition of Chronic Homelessness

1. Who are we talking about?
2. Are they living with a disabling condition?
3. What is the duration of their homelessness?
4. What is the frequency of their homelessness?
5. When did this episode of homelessness begin?
6. When will they meet the federal definition?
7. In 2016, can we use our expensive HMIS to tell us how long people have experienced homelessness?
8. Who should I intentionally be engaging?

# So What Do We Need and How Do We Get It?

**I Want:**

**I**

**Need:**

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1. Who are we talking about?

Unique identifier/HMIS ID

2. Are they living with a

HUD 3.8 and VI-

SPDAT

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disabling condition?

version 1 & 2

responses

3. What is the duration of their  
homelessness?

HUD 3.917 living situation

and entry/service

date(s)

# So What Do We Need and How Do We Get It?

**I Want:**

**I**

**Need:**

5. When did this episode of homelessness begin?

HUD 3.917 living situation  
approximate start date

6. When will they meet the federal definition?

The ability to perform  
addition on a computer

7. In 2016, can we use our expensive HMIS to tell us how long people have

A couple hours  
(or a 2017 resolution that this is the year we stop making excuses for

# Why Am I Doing This Again?

**I Want:**

**I**

**Need:**

8. Who should I intentionally be engaging?  
funded providers

The information each of  
your HUD

is federally required to collect  
and the same helpful  
information from your HMIS  
participating non-HUD-funded  
providers

# Show Me What It Looks Like

## Unique Count of People Experiencing Recent Homelessness Living with Disabling Conditions\* Soon to Age into the Federal Definition of Chronic Homelessness\*\*, According to Their Self-Report

\* according to VI-SPDAT version 1 or version 2 results and/or HUD 3.8 assessment question responses

\*\* according to HUD 3.917 questions with self-reported literal homelessness lasting 11 months or 3 times in the past 3 years

What Do We Need?	Q1: Who Are We Talking About?	Q2: Are They Living with a Disability?	Q3: What is the Duration of Their Homelessness? (Self-Report)	Q4: What is the Frequency of Their Homelessness? (Self-Report)	Q5: When Did This "Episode of Homelessness" Begin? (Worst Television Show EVER)
How Do We Get It?	HMIS ID	Disabling Condition (VI-SPDAT V1 or VI-SPDAT V2 or HUD 3.8)	Living Situation (3.917) Number of Months Homeless in Last 3 Years	Living Situation (3.917) Number of Times Homeless in Last 3 Years	Approximate Date Homelessness Began (3.917) (Self-Report)
	52731	Living with Disability	4	Three times	Monday, November 23, 2015
	52886	Living with Disability	One month (this time is the first)	Three times	Monday, May 9, 2016
	56497	Living with Disability	One month (this time is the first)	One time (HUD)	Saturday, March 21, 2015
	56499	Living with Disability	One month (this time is the first)	One time (HUD)	Saturday, March 21, 2015
	67010	Living with Disability	5	Two times (HUD)	Tuesday, September 29, 2015
	70199	Living with Disability	2	Three times	I Don't Know. This Question is Blank.
	59472	Living with Disability	One month (this time is the first)	One time (HUD)	Tuesday, July 21, 2015
	25165	Living with Disability	2	Three times	Tuesday, July 30, 2013

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Prioritization List- Most Recent VI



Additional Information



Recent Shelter Stays



Recent Outreach



Soon to Age into Chronicity

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What Do We Need?	Q1: Who Are We Talking About?	Q6: How Much Longer Must They Languish Before Meeting the Federal Definition?	Q7: But REALLY -- Can't We Use Our Expensive HMIS to Tell Us How Long They Have Experienced Homelessness?	Q8: Who Should I Be Intentionally Engaging?
How Do We Get It?	HMIS ID	365 Days From Approximate Date When Homelessness Began	Cumulative Uninterrupted Length of Stay (This Episode) (Calculated)	Soon to Meet Federal Definition (Self-Report)
	52731	Tuesday, November 22, 2016	9 uninterrupted nights of homelessness	Yes; Check-In With Them
	52886	Tuesday, May 9, 2017	9 uninterrupted nights of homelessness	Yes; Check-In With Them
	56497	Sunday, March 20, 2016	9 uninterrupted nights of homelessness	Yes; Check-In With Them
	56499	Sunday, March 20, 2016	9 uninterrupted nights of homelessness	Yes; Check-In With Them
	67010	Wednesday, September 28, 2016	9 uninterrupted nights of homelessness	Yes; Check-In With Them
	70199	I Don't Know. This Question is Blank.	9 uninterrupted nights of homelessness	Yes; Check-In With Them
	59472	Wednesday, July 20, 2016	99 uninterrupted nights of homelessness	Yes; Check-In With Them
	25165	Wednesday, July 30, 2014	98 uninterrupted nights of homelessness	Yes; Check-In With Them

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# Is Self-Report the Only Way to Track Extent of Homelessness?

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	52886	One month (this time is the	Three times	Monday, May 9, 2016	Tuesday, May 9, 2017	<b>973 uninterrupted nights of homelessness</b>
	56497	One month (this time is the	One time (HUD)	Saturday, March 21, 2015	Sunday, March 20, 2016	96 uninterrupted nights of homelessness
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	67010	5	Two times (HUD)	Tuesday, September 29, 2015	Wednesday, September 28, 2016	963 uninterrupted nights of homelessness
	70199	2	Three times	I Don't Know. This Question is Blank.		958 uninterrupted nights of homelessness

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Is It the BEST Way?

# Using the Tools Your HMIS Provides



## Unique Count of People Experiencing Recent Homelessness Living with Disabling Conditions\* Soon to Age into the Federal Definition of Chronic Homelessness\*\*, According to Their Self-Report

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**Include a total of their ongoing shelter stays  
(your HMIS is federally required to do this) to compare**

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Chicago, the District of Columbia and West Virginia (whose reports were highlighted today) use the same HMIS Vendor. But that vendor isn't magic. These are HUD required fields.

Your System Administrator can build these reports in a day. (As in, a work day. Not a 24 hour day).

If you'd rather have these reports built for you quickly, reach out! [David@OrgCode.com](mailto:David@OrgCode.com)

# Mapping “Aging In” to Chronic Status in Excel

# Necessary Fields to Calculate “Aging In”

- 1. Data of Identification**
- Homeless / Housed / Inactive Status [FOR FILTERING]
- Veteran Status [FOR FILTERING]
- 4. Total Number of Episodes of Homelessness in Past 3 Years (\*Inclusive of Current)**
- 5. Cumulative Length of All Homeless Episodes Prior to Identification (in Past 3 Years)**
- 6. Number of Months Homeless at Identification**
- 7. Presence of an Eligible Disability**
8. Verification of Disability

# A Google Sheets / Excel Template

- Sample Data Tracking
- Can adapt based on your data source
- Can share template and provide support on implementing

# Final Questions?

**Thank you!**