Advocacy Committee June 29, 2016 Michael Barlow Center 2120 W Warren Blvd, 10-11:00 a.m.

## **AGENDA**

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Review and Approval of May 2016 minutes:
- III. Action Items update
  - a. COC Board
    - i. Jennifer Nelson-Seals informed the CoC Board of the need for All Chicago to assign a full time staff person to support the Advocacy Committee.
    - ii. Consuella Brown reported that All Chicago CEO =, Nonie Brennan, indicated that private funding would have to be raised to cover the cost of staff to support the Advocacy Cmte because HUD dollars cannot be used for advocacy costs; however, All Chicago hopes to hire a staff person to support the administrative needs of Advocacy.
    - iii. Discussion of whether CoC dues could cover the cost or if private funding could be found.
  - b. State Budget Impasse
    - i. Nothing new to report.
  - c. Service Provider Commission update?
    - i. Discussion of SPC survey.
    - ii. CAIC Cmte is evaluating the overall number of CoC committees and is looking at CoC Board composition.
  - d. Other Advocacy efforts
    - i. HUD / TH discussion.
      - 1. HUD wants to defund TH, except for Youth, DV and substance abuse.
        - a. Believes PH is better program model.
      - 2. Safe Havens will not be increased and there will be penalties for "long stayers."
      - 3. CoC cannot get new projects funded unless it follows through with reallocating from low performing programs.
      - 4. Jennifer Nelson-Seals commended Consuella on her work to get HUD to the table for a face to face discussion.
- IV. Survey Results
  - a. Mapping of Next Steps will begin at the next meeting.
- V. Next Meeting: 10am, August 3, 2016 at Michael Barlow Center.