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2017 SCORING TOOL DEVELOPMENT
Question and Answers
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Topic	Question	Response	Follow-up
TH Tool	I can open the excel spreadsheet but I am not able to enter data in several cells.	Cells shaded in green should allow data entry, white and blue cells contain embedded formulas. Fully unlocked versions of the tools will be available for the remained of the public comment period. The final version of the tools will be locked to prevent accidental changes in formulas	Response complete
Scoring	The scoring tools question Mainstream Resources has changed from 2016. Is that really what you want?	Question #5, Mainstream Resources. HUD is interested in CoC use of "mainstream resources", such as Section 8 including the items in the referenced APR question and chart.	The references in the tools are being verified and updated if needed.
CES/CAHP Threshold	CES or CAHP data is kept for individual projects, not at the agency level. The wording is inaccurate.	The language in the CES /CAHP threshold section will be revised for accuracy.	Response complete
Scoring	What operating period will the projects be scored on?	Although for NOFA 2016, the data period was for the federal prior fiscal year October – September, the 2017 local process will look at data for the most recent calendar year. HMIS data for this operating period will generate an APR. Year to date expenditure data will be drawn from LOCCS from the onset of the most recent operating year through Dec. 31, 2016. The expected amount of drawdown will be adjusted by the number of months expired during the operating year.	Response complete.

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Scoring	When can I get copies of the custom reports (like the System Framework Project Level report) needed to complete the tools?	Agencies can generate an APR (0625) fro calendar year 2016 for their own use if desired in order to estimate their score. Specialty reports will be made available as soon as the tools are finalized. As a matter of best practice, agencies are encouraged to routinely validate HMIS data which supports high data quality and consistency.	Response complete.
Scoring	Will there be a separate tool for Youth programs?	No. Tools are created by project type. Special needs populations are emphasized within questions. Youth are called out this year on select questions.	Response complete.
Tools	The Utilization Sections of the tools have changed. Can you explain?	Rather than using only a single point in time night to determine unit / bed utilization, the 2017 tools include an average of the quarterly reports on the dates used to generate the Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR).	Response complete.