Global Visibility Reporting Impacts

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Overview

Beginning February 3, reports may incorporate new information entered for unlocked clients because those entries become visible across agencies. Pre-rollout data retains prior visibility and does not retroactively change. For a given project enrollment, another provider's data can influence results only when that provider's effective-dated assessment row falls inside your enrollment window and is the latest visible value used by the measure. Consent and lock rules continue to govern what is visible.

- Reports can use the latest visible assessment values, even when another provider entered them

- If enrollments do not overlap, other providers' rows cannot change your enrollment's values.

What to Expect Over Time

Reporting changes will appear only as new data is entered for unlocked clients. Because of that, the pace of change depends on a project's turnover and assessment cadence. Projects with frequent entries and exits tend to show earlier movement; long-stay projects change more gradually as new assessments or exits are recorded.

- Early signals in ES/Outreach: high turnover means new post-rollout entries/exits surface sooner, so you may notice small shifts within the first few weeks.

- Slower changes in data PSH/RRH/TH: numbers/data often move after the next assessment or exit event. Once a new effective-dated row exists, reports can reflect the latest visible value.

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RHY & HOPWA

RHY and HOPWA projects are excluded from sharing data out under Global Visibility. These projects keep their existing visibility settings. However, users working in RHY/HOPWA will still view global information entered by other providers for unlocked clients (e.g., recent enrollments, services, or assessment answers saved elsewhere).

- Data you save in RHY/HOPWA stays within your agency's existing rules. It does not become globally visible or prefill for other providers.

- Your RHY/HOPWA project's reports may reflect visible values from other providers when dates line up and the client is unlocked; your RHY/HOPWA data will not change other agencies' reports because it isn't shared outward.

How Reports Pick a Value

For each project enrollment, reports read values that are effective inside your dates (Entry → Exit). For unlocked clients after Feb 3, if another provider saves a newer effective-dated row inside your enrollment dates / your enrollments overlap, that newer visible row can be used. If there is no overlap, or the row is outside your enrollment dates, their answer won't change your enrollment. Pre-rollout data keeps prior visibility; consent/lock still control what any report can see.

History - Housing Status

	Date Effective	User Adding	Provider Adding	Value		
🗑	01/27/2026 12:59:23 PM	Alexander Fuller	All Chicago	Category 1 - Homeless (HUD)	🔓	
🗑	12/09/2025 12:16:50 AM	Alexander Fuller	All Chicago	Category 2 - At imminent risk of losing housing (HUD)	🔒	
🗑	12/09/2025 12:16:50 AM	Alexander Fuller	All Chicago	Category 2 - At imminent risk of losing housing (HUD)	🔒	
🗑	11/08/2022 10:41:01 AM	Alexander Fuller	All Chicago	Category 1 - Homeless (HUD)	🔓	

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Values at Collection Points

Use the collection point to your advantage. At Entry, verify any prefill data and update any information so that it is current. Data entered at Entry will default to an effective date that is 1:1 with the start date and time. During the stay, use Interim Review to document any changes that have occurred since the Entry. Do not overwrite entry data with interim information. At Exit, set Exit Date/Destination only in your Exit assessment and align dates with the actual date the client left. Do not edit another agency's assessment; always coordinate changes outside of your agency.

Entry / Exit

Program	Type	Project Start Date	Exit Date	Interims	Follow Ups	Client Count	
All Chicago - (Project Template) - Emergency Shelter (EE) Project (883)	HUD	01/27/2026					
All Chicago - (Project Template) - Street Outreach (1499)	PATH	12/09/2025				1	
All Chicago - (Project Template) - PATH (1418)	PATH	12/09/2025					
All Chicago - (Project Template) - Emergency Shelter (EE) Project (883)	HUD	07/08/2025				1	
All Chicago - (Project Template) - Transitional Housing (1570)	HUD	03/04/2025				1	
All Chicago - (Project Template) - DFSS (1614)	HUD	01/08/2025	12/08/2025			1	
All Chicago - (Project Template) - Permanent Supportive Housing (1415)	HUD	04/01/2021	10/18/2025	5		2	

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Impacts of Overlaps

If a client is served only by your project, reports read the values you saved at Entry, any Interim Reviews you completed during the stay, and your Exit, nothing outside your agency changes those results. When a client is served by multiple providers on or after February 3 some information created by another agency can appear in your results only when your enrollments overlap in time; without overlap, their data won't replace your enrollment's values.

- Values outside your Entry→Exit window won't be used for your enrollment / reporting.

All Chicago - (Project Template) - DFSS (1614)	HUD	🖉	01/08/2025	🖉	12/08/2025
All Chicago - (Project Template) - Permanent Supportive Housing (1415)	HUD	🖉	04/01/2021	🖉	10/18/2025

What You Can Review Before Export

The APR/QPR and ESG CAPER allow you to review details and data quality in HMIS before you download the CSV for submission. Use those on-screen views to confirm required elements, timelines, and changes during the stay, then fix issues and re-run so the file reflects corrections. In contrast, export-only reports like the VA Export and PATH export do not provide an in-tool "details/DQ" view. Data problems often appear first in the repository error report after upload.

6a - Data Quality: Personally Identifiable Information

Data Element	Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	Information Missing	Data Issues	Total	% of Issue Rate
Name (3.01)	0	4	0	4	57%
Social Security Number (3.02)	0	5	0	5	71%
Date of Birth (3.03)	0	4	0	4	57%
Race and Ethnicity (3.04)	0	5		5	71%
Overall Score				7	100%

6b - Data Quality: Universal Data Elements

Data Element	Client Doesn't Know/Prefers Not to Answer	Information Missing	Data Issues	Total	% of Issue Rate
Veteran Status (3.7)	0	3	0	3	100%
Project Start Date (3.10)			0	0	0%
Relationship to Head of Household (3.15)		4	2	6	86%
Enrollment CoC (3.16)		0	0	0	0%
Disabling Condition (3.8)	0	4	0	4	57%

Summary

- **Inside your dates only.** Reports read what you saved at Entry, any Interim Reviews during the stay, and Exit. Other agencies' rows matter only if they are visible to you and land inside your enrollment dates.

- **Consent drives visibility.** Unlocked records can be seen across agencies going forward; Limited Sharing narrows or blocks what appears. No Sharing isn't entered in HMIS at all.

- **RHY/HOPWA remain restricted**. These projects retain prior visibility rules; their data does not contribute to global sharing. Staff may still reference information that is visible to their project.

Summary

- **Canned vs. export-only**. APR/QPR and ESG CAPER include on-screen details/data quality so you can fix issues and re-run before downloading. VA Export / PATH reports surface many issues after upload in the repository error report. Correct in HMIS and re-export.

- **Don't overwrite; coordinate**. If something looks off, check assessment history and the Audit Report to see who changed what and when, then coordinate with that provider. Re-run the report/export after fixes.

Resources – Helpdesk Links

- HMIS Global Visibility Announcement

    - https://hmis.allchicago.org/hc/en-us/articles/34297099086484-HMIS-Global-Visibility-Announcement

- Review Federal Report Submissions in a Shared System

    - https://hmis.allchicago.org/hc/en-us/articles/405870750055892

- Running and Understanding the APR and QPR Report

    - https://hmis.allchicago.org/hc/en-us/articles/360000404183

Resources – Helpdesk Links

- Running and Understanding the VA Export

  - https://hmis.allchicago.org/hc/en-us/articles/44159019524372

- Running and Understanding the PATH Report

  - https://hmis.allchicago.org/hc/en-us/articles/44158967539092

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