

CCEH's COVID-19 Response Framework

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Top Priorities in next 2 weeks

Support shelters to minimize infection risk.

Protect those at highest risk.

Three main strategies:

1. Increase exits from shelter to housing and other available space.
2. Keep shelters open, operating, supplied and clean.
3. Stem inflow.

Increase Exits from shelter

Coordinating closely with DOH to:

- Identify and prioritize shelters with the greatest challenges to meet CDC guidance around bed spacing.
- Use rapid exit funds to move as many residents as possible.
- Troubleshoot barriers to housing: inspections, landlord responsiveness, staffing challenges.
- Ensure homeless system needs for facilities, supplies, and staff are elevated to CT Unified Command emergency planning.
- Work with DOH to prioritize and develop protocols for space and facilities identified through Unified Command process.

Keep shelters open!

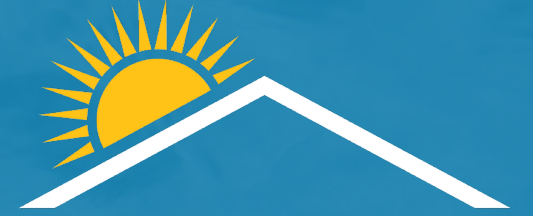
Support the CANs in:

- Implementing CDC guidelines
- Coordinating with Local Health Departments on quarantine and testing protocols.
- Modifying services to ensure continuity.
- Redeploying staff to protect those most at risk.
- Elevating reported staff and supply shortages to state planning and philanthropic partners.
- Ensuring shelter remains available to the unsheltered.

Stem Inflow

With 2-1-1 and the CANs

- Ensure availability of diversion funds.
- Monitor and troubleshoot effectiveness of remote CAN appointments.
- Work with DOH through Unified Command to limit inflow from other systems of care.
- Advocate with our Congressional delegation for the resources needed to keep people in their homes.



Thank you!

Any questions?

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