

HVRP and SSVF

Fact Sheet Supplement: ACTION Items

What can you do NOW to engage local HVRPs?

- ✓ Are you unsure if HVRP operating in your community? First, see if an HVRP is serving your community. If you need help connecting or re-connecting to a local HVRP, email hvrp@nchv.org and the TA partners for HVRP will facilitate an e-mail introduction right away.
- ✓ Ask your local HVRP about their eligibility criteria and about the services they provide. They may have a monthly schedule of trainings or a pamphlet of services that they can share with you. Share information about your program as well. You can also ask to sit in on one of their training sessions to learn more about the program.
- ✓ Ask the HVRP about the employment training, transportation support, and work supply support they can provide. You may have Veterans who are a great fit for a training program through HVRP. Remember, SSVF and HVRP complement one another to help co-enrolled Veterans achieve long-term stability.
- ✓ If you have available space, offer to let the HVRP representative meet with Veterans for assessment and enrollment at your office at a pre-scheduled, regular time every week. Or, you can ask if they have space for you to meet with Veterans to enroll them in SSVF. This practice will ensure a smooth co-enrollment for the Veteran.
- ✓ Schedule weekly or bi-weekly check-ins on co-enrolled Veterans to ensure continuity of care. It is best to do this in person, but over the phone works as well. Some coordinated programs have formal MOUs for data sharing, use a shared calendar, and have even developed joint assessment and enrollment paperwork so the Veteran only fills out paperwork one time.

Test Your Skills: Timeline Test

Scenario 1: A Veteran is currently experiencing homelessness and is connected first to HVRP. After assessment and enrollment in HVRP, the Veteran quickly obtains employment at an hourly rate that puts him at 55% area median income. The Veteran is still experiencing homelessness, so he is referred to SSVF for housing assistance. Would he be enrolled in SSVF?

Scenario 2: A Veteran is currently experiencing homelessness. She is assessed and enrolled by SSVF, and moved into an affordable housing unit two weeks later. A few days after she moves into her apartment, she starts worrying about her ability to maintain it without a job when SSVF support stops in one month. She is referred to the HVRP program by her case manager. Would she be enrolled in HVRP?

Scenario 3: A Veteran currently experiencing homelessness is enrolled in SSVF, and his SSVF case manager walks him over to an HVRP case manager's office for an assessment that day. He is eligible, and expresses an interest in working once he gets his car running again. The SSVF program will be able to pay for his car repair and help with his housing search. Would he be enrolled in HVRP?

Scenario 4: A Veteran will imminently be losing his housing within the next few days and comes to the SSVF Program office. The Veteran meets the SSVF Program's Homelessness Prevention threshold score. The SSVF program moves quickly to pay the Veteran's rent arrears within one week, securing the Veteran's housing. The Veteran is interested in returning to work and is referred to HVRP. Will she be enrolled in HVRP?

Scenario 5: A Veteran is currently living in a GPD program and was just enrolled in SSVF. The GPD program is helping him connect to his VA benefits while the SSVF program is working on identifying a housing unit, which they hope to find in the next few weeks. The Veteran expresses an interest in working and is referred to HVRP. Can the HVRP enroll him?

ANSWERS

Scenario 1: Likely no if he is no longer very-low-income.

Scenario 2: No. She is no longer eligible for HVRP because she does not meet HVRP's definition of homeless.

Scenario 3: Yes. He is eligible, willing to work, and job ready.

Scenario 4: No. This Veteran would likely have been eligible for HVRP enrollment before the rent was paid, but is now no longer eligible because he no longer meets the HVRP definition of homeless.

Scenario 5: The HVRP grantee will likely assess his job-readiness, but he is otherwise eligible for enrollment. Veterans in GPD are eligible for HVRP enrollment.