## **HPN Screening Tool**

## **Client Information**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Household type (excluding others the client and their children may be staying with temporarily):

\_\_\_\_Family with minor children and/or pregnant member (with or without other children) \_\_\_\_Single adult or adult only household (non-pregnant)

#### Where did household stay last night?

\_\_\_\_Emergency shelter\* \_\_\_\_Street/car/bus station/abandoned building\* \_\_\_Own apartment/home

\_\_\_\_Family or friend's home \_\_\_\_Hospital or treatment facility \_\_\_\_Other:\_\_\_

#### GUIDANCE:

If not a family with minor children or expectant mom: Continue screening and assistance outside of HPN process (not target audience for HPN).

If household was in emergency shelter last night and is returning to emergency shelter tonight: Discontinue screening and immediately refer to emergency shelter for re-housing assistance and discontinue screening.

If household was unsheltered last night (street, car, etc): Discontinue screening and immediately explore other safe and appropriate options for tonight with family, friends, etc. If no safe, appropriate option refer to Homeless Hotline (614-274-7000).

### Homelessness Risk Screening

Question		Response	
1.	Is the place where you're currently staying safe for you? [Review what "unsafe housing" means – see Guidance, below.]	□ NO → REVIEW GUIDANCE, CONTINUE TO Q 3 □ YES → CONTINUE TO Q 2	
2.	Do you have to leave the place where you're currently staying?	Yes → CONTINUE TO Q 3 MAYBE or DON'T KNOW → CONTINUE TO Q 3 NO → STOP: Stably Housed	
3.	Do you have another safe housing option where you could stay if needed? This could a family or friend's home or housing obtained with money or help from a family member or friend.	Yes → CONTINUE TO Q 4 MAYBE or DON'T KNOW → CONTINUE TO Q 4 NO → CONTINUE TO Q 4	
4.	When will you no longer have any <i>safe</i> place to stay – yours or someone else's – based on the housing options and resources available to you?	Tonight → Risk Level 4 Within 30 days → Risk Level 3 Within 31 to 60 days → Risk Level 2 In More than Two Months → Risk Level 1 Unsure → No further action required Do Not Have to Leave → No further action required	

#### **RISK LEVEL:**

\_\_\_ 0: Stably Housed \_\_\_1: Unstably Housed \_\_\_2: At-Risk within 31-60 days \_\_\_3: Imminent Risk within 30 days \_\_\_4: Literally Homeless Tonight

#### GUIDANCE:

Unsafe housing: Housing is considered unsafe when someone is fleeing or attempting to flee their housing or the place they are staying because of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions related to violence that has taken place in the house or has made them afraid to return to the house, including, but not limited to: trading sex for housing, trafficking, physical abuse, and violence because of the person's sexual orientation or gender identity.

If Risk Level 3 or 4: Immediately engage in housing problem-solving assistance, enter basic information in the web-based HPN Screening & Referral Tool (ESRI), and offer referral and warm hand-off assistance, as needed, to other assistance offered by your agency or an HPN Service Provider using the web-based tool.

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# Homelessness Risk Levels

RISK LEVEL		LIVING SITUATION	OTHER HOUSING OPTIONS & RESOURCES
4	Literally Homeless Tonight	<ul> <li>Stayed <u>last night</u> in emergency shelter or transitional housing for people who are homeless, including hotel or motel voucher paid for by a social service or charitable organization;</li> <li>OR</li> <li>Stayed last night in a place not meant for human habitation (e.g., streets, parks, car, abandoned buildings, vacant lot, etc.);</li> <li>OR</li> <li>Must leave current housing <u>today</u> (e.g., due to court-ordered eviction, foreclosure, immediate safety or health risk, host family/friend request to leave, etc.);</li> <li>OR</li> <li>Must leave an institution (e.g., hospital, jail, treatment facility) <u>today</u>.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><u>Does not have</u> other housing options, financial resources, and/or support networks to maintain or obtain a safe place to stay <u>tonight</u></li> </ul>
3	Imminent Risk of Literal Homelessness (within 30 Days)	<ul> <li>Current housing is safe;</li> <li>AND</li> <li>Must leave current housing within 30<u>days</u> (e.g., due to court-ordered eviction, foreclosure, imminent safety or health risk, host family/friend request to leave, family conflict, etc.);</li> <li>OR</li> <li>Must leave an institution (e.g., hospital, jail, treatment facility) within 30 days.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><u>Does not have</u> other housing options, financial resources, and/or support networks to maintain or obtain a safe place to stay after the <u>next 30 days</u>.</li> </ul>
2	At-Risk of Literal Homelessness (within 31-60 Days)	<ul> <li>Current housing is safe; AND</li> <li>Must leave current housing within 31<u>-60 days</u> (e.g., due to court-ordered eviction, landlord-issued eviction, foreclosure, safety or health risk, host family/friend limitation, etc.);</li> <li>OR</li> <li>Must leave an institution (e.g., hospital, jail, treatment facility) within <u>31-60 days</u>.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><u>Does not have other</u> housing options, financial resources, and/or support networks to maintain or obtain a safe place to stay after the <u>next 31-60</u> <u>days.</u></li> </ul>
1	Unstably Housed	<ul> <li>Current housing is safe;         AND         May have to leave current housing at some point in the foreseeable future, but not within the next 60 days (e.g., due to inability to pay rent, landlord-issued eviction, foreclosure, safety or health risk, host family/friend limitation, etc.);         OR         Must leave an institution (e.g., hospital, jail, treatment facility) within <u>90 days</u>.     </li> </ul>	<u>Has</u> other housing options, financial resources, and/or support networks to maintain or obtain a safe place to stay.
0	Stably Housed	<ul> <li>Current housing is safe;</li> <li>AND</li> <li>Current housing is stable for the foreseeable future (e.g., sufficient income to pay rent and utilities, able to stay with host family/friend indefinitely)</li> </ul>	