## Using Data to Enhance Your Service Coordinator Program

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### Why Data Matters





## **Data Defined**

### **Qualitative Data**

- Questionnaires
- Interviews
- Observation

### **Quantitative Data**

- Tests
- Metrics
- Experiments



## **Collecting Data**

- Input = Output
- 3,000 data points in AASC Online
- AASC Sample Forms
- My Community Directory
- What story do you want to tell?







What other types of data do you keep that you've found useful for decision making, partnership building and/or advocacy?



## **Analyzing Data**

- 125 reports in AASC Online
- What question do you want to answer?



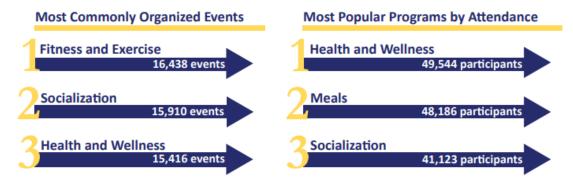


### **Service Coordinators Reduce Social Isolation**

### **Building Connections**

Through every program they organize and every resident they visit, service coordinators are combating social isolation. In 2019, service coordinators who use the AASC Online documentation system reported delivering more than 7.8 million services to 259,977 residents. That averages out to more than 30 services per program participant. All those interactions equal older adults who have someone to confide in and a community they feel they're a part of.

Of the 104,156 events organized by service coordinators in 2019, those targeted directly at socialization were among the most attended.



### **Reaching Out**

Service coordinators are the eyes and ears on the ground of HUD's multifamily and public housing properties. They're keenly aware of which residents prefer to stick closer to home and those that want to be active members of their communities. When a resident hasn't been to a program in a while or doesn't seem to be interacting with neighbors, service coordinators reach out and aim to engage them in activities at their comfort levels.

Service Coordinators support seniors in a variety of ways and find creative opportunities for involving residents in their communities. In 2019, service coordinators using AASC Online reported:

Encouraging 62,729 residents to attend events
 Personally inviting 44,963 residents to events, activities and programs
 Building relationships with 67,574 residents who may not have outside connections







### SERVICE COORDINATORS SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS WITH HOARDING DISORDERS

As trusted leaders in the affordable housing communities they serve, service coordinators work proactively to prevent and address mental health emergencies by regularly assessing residents' needs, constantly communicating with property management, and fostering partnerships with resource providers who can help.

One such mental health need service coordinators support residents through is hoarding. When a service coordinator suspects hoarding, they take quick action to ensure the resident is not violating lease terms and won't lose their housing. This often means working with cleaners and housing organization leaders to prevent violations or evictions. To address the serious nature of hoarding disorder, service coordinators also seek to ensure residents have long-term support in the form of ongoing mental health treatment and community understanding.

Their efforts may mean the difference between maintaining secure, stable housing and moving individuals experiencing hoarding disorder to expensive high needs facilities or the streets when they're unable to keep their apartments tidy.

The proactive support of a service coordinator is vital to older adults living in affordable housing who experience hoarding tendencies or disorders – the number of which is growing. However, only half of eligible HUD housing communities have service coordinator programs. This is largely because of a lack of funding.

### HOARDING'S IMAPCT

Hoarding disorder is a mental health condition that can impair a person's daily life and lead to dangerous clutter. It can cause stress and shame and also create unhealthy and unsafe living conditions.

Hoarding is especially concerning in federally subsidized affordable housing where residents are required to maintain clean and accessible units. When older adults living in these buildings are experiencing hoarding disorder, they can face lease violations and evictions that can ultimately lead to homelessness.

Percentage of lease violations that are for hoarding, housekeeping or cleanliness issues.

25%

14,519

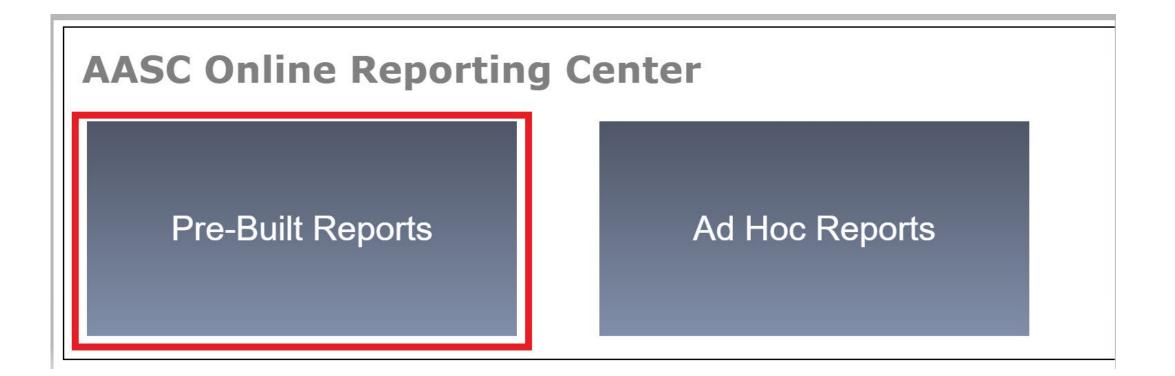
Number of times Service Coordinators assisted residents with hoarding in 2023. Hoarding, housekeeping or cleanliness issues are the 4th leading cause of eviction notices.

4th



\*Based on AASC Online data from 2023

### **AASC Online Reports**





## **AASC Online Reports**

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## My Community Directory

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Report Name	Description
My Activity Dashboard	Basic report showing your recent activity and area information for the past 90 days based on the last postal code you searched.
Search Activity (My Groups)	Understand top needs in your community by reviewing search trends, common search terms, and searches over time. This dashboard looks at usage from you and your groups.
Referral Activity (My Groups)	Understand referral outcomes and address needs in your community by reviewing your referral trends and follow ups. This dashboard looks at usage from you and your groups.
Assessment Activity (My Groups)	Address needs in your community by reviewing assessment trends. This dashboard looks at usage from you and your groups. Assessments are available for Professional and Enterprise subscribers. Please speak with your CSM to learn more about this feature.
Site Referral Details (My Groups) PII	Review individual referral details. This dashboard will include all referrals created by you or a member of your group(s).
Site Assessment Details (My Groups) PII	Review individual assessment responses. This dashboard includes all assessments submitted by you or a member of your group(s), and assessments that were shared with your group(s). Assessments are available for Professional and Enterprise subscribers. Please speak with your CSM to learn more about this feature.
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### **Property-Wide Profile**

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Frail (3+ ADLs)			
Residents with Disabilities			
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Feeding or Eating		w residence	76 Resident
Dressing		+	+
Grooming			
Bathing			-
Toileting		+	
Transferring		1	1
Ambulance/Locomotion			1
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## **Property-Wide Profile**

- ADL/IADL Totals and Types
- Top 10 Chronic Health Conditions
- Physician and Insurance Access
- Types of Health Insurance
- Wellness and Preventative Health Programs
- 10 Most Used Community-Based Resources
- Key Partnerships in Place



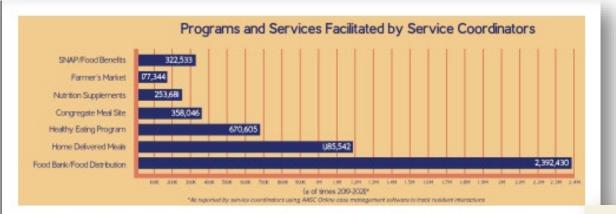
### **Presenting Data**

- Consider your audience
- Visuals make an impact





## **Service Coordinators Fight Hunger**





### Building Partnerships to Supply Fresh Foods

Fresh fruits and vegetables can be a luxury for lowincome residents when SNAP benefits are limited or their main food sources are delivered in non-perishable commodities boxes. The 107 residents at Ridgeview Village in Olathe, Kansas never go without fresh produce thanks to a partnerships with Harvesters Community Food Network and local farmers as well as a thriving community garden.

"Partnerships with Harvesters and the other community partners we work with were established so that we can work as a team to better our community," Ridgeview Village Service Coordinator Corry Franklin said. "It takes a caring community to make sure that our growing elderly population is served in the proper way and that starts with nutrition."

Corry is also collaborating with local farmers to bring fresh beef, chicken, eggs and produce directly to the property. The farms accept coupons provided by the local Salvation Army that residents can exchange for fresh foods that aren't available at the food pantry or included in delivered food boxes.

### HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION PREVENTION

The foundation of service coordination is supporting residents by meeting their basic needs. This often means ensuring those that they serve have access to food that is filling and appropriate for their health and wellness journeys. Meals and nutrition are the top resources to which service coordinators are connecting residents each year. Service coordinators achieve this through partnering with community based providers and facilitating the following resources:

- On-site food pantries
- Congregate meal sites
- Food box deliveries
- Healthy cooking classes
- SNAP enrollment
- Mobile grocery stores
- Home aids who help shop and cook
- Meal delivery services
- Food vouchers
- · Farmer's markets

- · Community gardens
- Grocery delivery services
- Transportation to stores and meal sites
   Nutrition education
- Nutrition education





How have you used data to enhance your program offerings, build partnerships, or advocate for service coordination and your residents?



## AASC Advocacy

AASC shares data findings with:

- Congress
- Federal Agencies
- Partners



## **Data Sources**

### AASC Online

- Resident Demographics
- Service Log
- Programs
- Cost Savings
- Turnover/Length of Stay

### My Community Directory

- My Analytics
- Search History



## Service Coordination by the Numbers

Average # of services provided per participant\*



Average # of chronic medical conditions reported per participant **16,276** Health and wellness programs developed by SCs to address chronic medical conditions

of residents with service coordinators continued to live independently

66%

How much less it costs nationally for older adults to live independently instead of in nursing homes



Average age of residents



### **Service Coordinators Prevent Evictions**

### PROACTIVE INTERVENTION PREVENTION Every interaction a service coordinator has with a resident is a step toward keeping that individual living longer in their community. Some residents require targeted support to proactively prevent evictions and keep them aging in place. Service coordinators achieve this through: Apartment inspection and house rules education Securing formal caregiver support HUD policy education and clarification Communicating with informal caregivers Recertification review of documentation needed . Hospital release support Housing counseling references Referral for homemaker services to pass • Connection to Adult Protective Services inspections Smoking cessation programs Credit counseling/debt management PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FACILITATED BY SERVICE COORDINATORS **Eviction Prevention and** 49.065 Housing Retention **House Rules Violation** 79.674 Education **Apartment Inspection** 64,558 Education





### Service Coordinators Address SDOH



Service coordinators who are AASC members now have access to My Community Directory, where they can connect directly with community based organizations that provide free and reduced-cost services.

With at least 1,400 resources in every zip code nationwide, service coordinators can use My Community Directory to locate accurate community resources, log a history of their residents' needs, and make direct referrals to service providers.

More than 800 service coordinators searched My Community Directory for free and reduced-cost supports in the first year of its availability.

They conducted more than 17,000 searches with the most-searched resources including in-home supportive services, dental care, help paying for housing or utilities, food delivery and emergency food.

# From the Field: Service Coordinators

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Education Access and Quality

Learning is a lifelong endeavor that service

coordinators help residents achieve through informational programming about benefits programs, managing chronic conditions, and personal finances. In recent years, service coordinators have prioritized technology training to familiarize residents with their phones and other devices. This allows them to take advantage of online grocery and medication ordering, auvanage or ormine grocery and meananth order telehealth, social video calls, and career training.

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At one southern cantonna property, onsite engineration as a second language courses facilitated by the service a second range been lifesaving. Ninety percent of residents are Asian American and many feared becoming victims of hate crimes spurred by the becoming vicums or nate crimes spuried by the COVID-19 pandemic's origin, particularly after one of their neighbors was attacked. Gaining English skills Bives them the confidence to ward off or report any

Health Care and Quality

Service coordinators have long sought partnerships with health care providers who can care for residents. They often arrange for podiatrists, mobile dentistry services, nurses who provide blood pressure checks and medication management, and vaccine clinics to visit their properties. During the pandemic, they've relied on health provider connections to organize COVID-19 vaccination clinics and informational sessions.

At Mount Rubidoux Manner in Riverside, California, the service coordinator collaborates with a health navigator from the Inland Empire Health Plan to better support residents who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid (Medi-Cal in California). The Service coordinator refers residents with specific health plan benefit questions or who require hands on health care and behavioral health referrals to the



### Neighborhood and Built Environment

Ensuring residents have access to healthy foods and transportation are primary focuses for service coordinators. Those who track resident interactions in AASC Online report assisting residents with these two needs more often than any others. In this category, service coordinators also assist residents with applying for home modification programs and

When residents in Illinois began sharing concerns about the safety of a crosswalk they used daily to get to the grocery store and bank across the street from their affordable housing property, the service coordinator empowered them to advocate for change. The service coordinator organized a meeting between local government officials and residents to bring awareness about the dangerously little amount of time that was allowed for crossing the street. Within days the light was updated to provide residents more time to cross the street and the residents formed an age friendly committee with the goal of keeping local officials better informed about the needs of older

Social and Community Context

Through every program they organize and every resident they visit, service coordinators are combating social isolation and working to create a positive community culture. Building connections with and among residents is vital, particularly in senior housing where half of residents with service coordinators live alone. Of the more than 100,000 events organized by service coordinators reporting data in AASC Online, those targeted toward socialization were among the most attended.

While residents were social isolating as a pandemic precaution, service coordinators of a Florida-based housing provider took note of residents reporting more often that they felt lonely or sad. To address this, service coordinators at multiple properties took part in a social isolation challenge called Distant but not Alone with the goal of convening community partners to host programs that would foster a sense of togetherness. They arranged for intergenerational pen pals, outdoor exercise classes, a fundraising walk to end Alzheimer's, pet therapy, community gardens and more.

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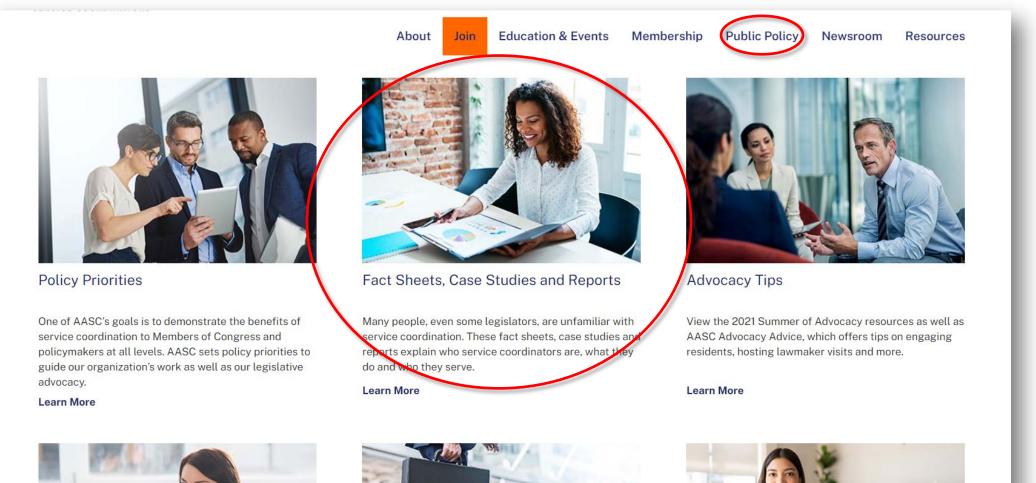
adults in their community.

## Advocacy Successes

- Expanding Service Coordinators Act
- Expedited Service Coordinator Grant Funding Process
- CARES Act Funding
- Service Coordinators in RD Buildings
- Community-Based Service Coordinators
- Highest-Ever SC Program Funding from Congress



### Fact Sheets, Case Studies and Reports





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 What are some ways you see yourself using the data you have available in the future?



## **Questions?**

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