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Regional Measurement and Data Standards Board Requests Community Input

Experts are seeking public input on homeless interaction and client feedback data standards

San Diego, CA (April 26, 2024) – Today the San Diego Taxpayers Educational Foundation’s Public Regional Outcomes Standards (PROS) Board released updated standards in the measurement and reporting on homelessness services for public comment. The public comment period on these two exposure drafts ends at 5pm PT on Friday, 10 May 2024.

The PROS Board is a collaboration of community leaders and public officials focused on creating consistency in data, measurements, and reporting in regional public good. Over the past two years, the working groups of public funders (municipal agencies), philanthropists, homelessness service organizations, and individuals who have experienced homelessness have developed a set of rules to account for impact in homelessness services. The goal of the board is to improve transparency and trust in a public good area with many disparate investors and stakeholders.

As is standard practice after the development of any draft rule to report on outcomes, the PROS Board releases drafts for public comment before issuing a final rule. The PROS Board seeks community input on an updated data standard on notes made on clients in homelessness data systems (2024-ED-001), as well as a new proposed rule that requires disclosures on the feedback homelessness service organizations receive from their clients (2024-ED-002).

“In homelessness services we have a growing trust deficit that can be addressed with agreed-to principles on measuring and reporting impact and performance,” said Haney Hong, member of the PROS Board and president of the San Diego Taxpayers Educational Foundation. “We encourage anyone who wants to ensure the top performers can be appropriately recognized and financed – and that the poor performers get nudged to improve their performance – to take a look at what the expert and professional collaborators developed. Then offer them your feedback!”

The PROS Board is seeking public input on the suggested regional standards over the next two weeks, with a deadline of Friday, 10 May 2024. The documents can be viewed [here](#) on the web. Public feedback can be submitted to sdprosboard@sdcta.org.

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The San Diego Taxpayers Educational Foundation supports the San Diego County Taxpayers Association and the general taxpaying public with in-depth research and educational programming for community leaders and civil servants. The Foundation convenes the regional community of public policy practitioners, educators, and artists who want to study issues objectively and to facilitate civility and citizenship in public policy discussions. The Foundation also administers the new Public Regional Outcomes Standards Board (PROS Board), which sets regionally accepted principles in accounting for and reporting public good outcomes.