



## Specialist Homelessness Services Collection e-Newsletter for homelessness agencies

1 November 2019



### Cut-off date for the 2019-20, 3 month Statistical Summary

The cut-off date for agencies to submit extracts for inclusion in the 2019-20 3 month Statistical Summaries is **Wednesday, 6 November 2019**. All July, August and September extracts need to be uploaded and submitted to Validata™ before this date to be included in the 3 month Statistical Summary report.



### Validata™ is ready to receive October extracts

If your August and September extracts have been submitted to Validata™, you can now upload and submit your October extracts. NOTE: when an extract has been validated and does not have any critical errors, the extract must be submitted to be included in SHS reporting.



### SHSC just turned 100!

October 2019 marked 100 months of the national dataset on homelessness services.

The Specialist Homelessness Services Collection (SHSC) commenced in July 2011 and is the main source of current data about SHS services and clients. Each year, the AIHW produces reports on the collection that describe:

- the people who received assistance from SHS agencies, the assistance they received, and their changes in housing and other circumstances
- trends in the characteristics of clients, the services they receive, and their outcomes
- the people who requested services but were not provided with support at that time.

See the [Homelessness services](#) reports on the AIHW website.

### Monthly Tip - Reasons for seeking assistance



It is important to note the specific definitions associated with each answer for 'reasons for seeking assistance'. The response 'Housing crisis (e.g. eviction)' refers specifically to a client being formally evicted from a property, or asked to leave by another member of the household. The response 'Housing affordability stress' refers specifically to clients being unable to meet payments for their property.

For further information, please see the [SHS data definitions](#) page on the AIHW website.





## SHS webinars

Register for a webinar now by clicking the registration links in the table below.

	Webinar date	Register by	What is covered?	Who should attend?
<b>Validata™ Webinars</b>  Register <a href="#">here</a>	<b>21 November 2019</b> <b>2:00 pm AEDT</b>	15 November 2019	Basic functions within Validata™ including uploading and submitting extracts, viewing reports & user admin.	All Validata™ users
	<b>17 December 2019</b> <b>11:00 am AEDT</b>	11 December 2019		
<b>Basic</b>  Register <a href="#">here</a>	<b>25 November 2019</b> <b>2:00 pm AEDT</b>	18 November 2019	Opening a client support period, SHSC concepts and definitions.	Staff new to agency, staff not able to attend face to face training, new to CMS
	<b>11 December 2019</b> <b>2:00 pm AEDT</b>	4 December 2019		
<b>Advanced</b>  Register <a href="#">here</a>	<b>26 November 2019</b> <b>2:00 pm AEDT</b>	18 November 2019	SHIP administrative and case management functions.	Managers or coordinators with basic SHIP experience
	<b>12 December 2019</b> <b>2:00 pm AEDT</b>	4 December 2019	SHIP reports and lists.	Managers or anyone responsible for SHS reporting

SHS concepts and basic data entry eLearning modules can be found [here](#)

Additional eLearning modules and resources can be found on the [AIHW website](#)

