

SMIS Discharge Dispositions & Reasons Reference Sheet

Discharge Disposition	Definition of Discharge Disposition	Discharge Reason	Definition of Discharge Reason
Permanent Housing	Client has been assisted to find, or has reported that they are moving into permanent housing, including social housing, supportive housing or long-term care.	Private market housing	Has secured a private market housing unit
		Social housing	Has secured a social housing unit (i.e. rent geared to income, TCHC)
		Supportive housing	Has secured a supportive housing unit
		Long-term care facility	Has secured a long-term care bed
		Returned home or to family	Has returned to their permanent home or has been reunited with family
Temporary Housing	Client has secured temporary accommodation	Transitional housing	Has secured a transitional housing placement
		Couch surfing	Is temporarily staying with friends or family (i.e. couch surfing or doubled up)
		Other temporary accommodation	Other temporary living situation
Shelter Referral	Client has been transferred to another shelter.	Voluntary transfer	Client has requested transfer to another shelter
		Service restriction (with transfer)	Client has been service restricted and has accepted a transfer to another shelter
		Transitional shelter	Client has been admitted to a transitional shelter program
		Within shelter transfer	Client is transferring programs within the same shelter facility
Health or Correctional Facility	Client has been discharged to the correctional system or has been admitted to a health facility including hospital, detox or residential treatment.	Police custody or incarcerated	Client has been detained by police, remanded to police custody or incarcerated
		Hospital or ER	Client has been gone to hospital or ER without an anticipated time of return to the shelter
		Detox or treatment program	Client has been admitted to detox or residential treatment program without an anticipated time of return to the shelter
		Other health facility	Client has been admitted to a health facility such as hospice or infirmary without an anticipated time of return to the shelter
Unknown Location	Client reports that they will not be returning to the shelter, or fails to return to the shelter by the appropriate time and the reason for leaving is unknown.	Decided to leave	Client has decided to voluntarily leave the shelter without a referral and the discharge location is unknown, e.g. has left the city
		Service restriction (no referral)	Client has been service restricted and has refused a referral to another shelter location.
		Failed to return	Client has failed to return by curfew or bed count, and the discharge location is unknown.
		Part-time program closed	Client has been discharged with no referral because a part-time program has closed as part of its regular schedule.
Deceased	Client passed away in the shelter, or the death was reported to shelter staff.	Passed away in shelter	Client has passed away in the shelter.
		Reported off-site death	Client has passed away at a location in the community (off-site). The death has been reported to the shelter, resulting in a discharge.