

## 2024 International IPS Learning Community Annual Meeting

### Breakout Group: Housing and IPS

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### Housing and IPS—Overlap in Principles

#### Types of Services

A program named PATH provides housing and employment.

New York City shelter system provides supportive housing and IPS

- SOS, rapid intervention for people who are homeless
- Tie housing and IPS together
- Smaller caseload

#### New Zealand

- 7 years housing and IPS-clinical support
- Across 3 cities
- Timing of employment can be before/after housing
- Anxiety reduction by working with housing, employment concerns

#### Housing First-no conditions, evidence-based practice

- Chronically unhoused or someone who only needs financial support
- 94% reduction in bed nights when enrolled in supported housing

SHIPS study in LA placed IPS specialists in shelter, single housing

Follow along supports are needed for housing and employment.

Impact in IL, 9 years, uses Housing First Model with case management, IPS specialist and therapist. IPS specialists learn about different housing programs to integrate employment with public benefits, financial literacy, housing eligibility.

Staff remember how difficult it is to manage being homeless and unemployed. Staff share stories with clients. CWIC and WIPAA counselors help with benefits counseling.

California Housing Council: IPS, cross training, systems of care, share resources, continuous conversation.

Causes of homelessness: affordability, networks of support are lacking, poverty, gentrification.

Difficult when individuals are used to being unhoused (20%)—they need life skills and meaningful relationships.