

HOMELESSNESS AND SMI: FROM THE STREETS TO RECOVERY

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Atlantic City, NJ

Program Overview

This 1½-day conference for health care and behavioral health care professionals will examine the issues presented by homelessness among the seriously mentally ill. Plenary sessions scheduled on day 1 will address the scope of the problem, legal issues, the transition from incarceration to the community, issues for women veterans, medical comorbidity, substance abuse, and psychopharmacology. The second day of the conference will explore interventions, with a focus on housing, vocational rehabilitation, and new, evidence-based treatment models from federal, city, and non-profit providers.

Educational Objectives

Upon completion of this program, attendees will:

- 1) Describe the scope of the problem of SMI and homelessness.
- 2) Discuss the risk factors for homelessness in SMI.
- 3) Recognize the specific issues affecting special populations (e.g., women, persons with substance use disorders, etc.).
- 4) List housing and vocational rehabilitation interventions.
- 5) Discuss new, evidence-based models for treatment and their effectiveness.

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Target Audience

This conference is designed for physicians, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and nurses working in the fields of behavioral health and general medicine in public and private settings.

Disclosure

In accordance with the Accreditation Council for Continuing Education medical education requirements on disclosure, information about relationships of presenters with commercial interests (if any) will be included in materials to be distributed at the time of the conference.

Agenda

Tuesday, April 27, 2004

7:30-8:30	Registration and continental breakfast
8:30-9:00	Welcome Frances M. Murphy, M.D., MPH
9:00-9:10	Conference Overview and Introductions Bruce Levine, M.D.
9:10-10:00	Overview of Homelessness and SMI in the VA Wes Kaspro, Ph.D.
10:00-10:30	Partnerships for Recovery: The Promise of Mental Health Self-Care Paolo del Vecchio, MSW
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-11:35	The Impact of Law and Public Policy on People who are Homeless and Mentally Ill Ronald Honberg, J.D.
11:35-12:25	From Incarceration to the Community James McGuire, Ph.D. & Mara Kushner, CSW
12:25-1:25	Lunch (on your own)
1:25-2:15	Women Veterans: Not to be Forgotten Marcia Four, R.N.
2:15-3:05	Medical Morbidity Among the Homeless Adam Gordon, M.D.
3:05-3:20	Break
3:20-4:10	Principles of Substance Abuse Treatment for Homeless Persons with Mental Illness Fred C. Osher, M.D.
4:10-5:00	Treatment Adherence and Psychopharmacology Michael Burke, M.D.

Wednesday, April 28, 2004

7:30-8:30	Registration and continental breakfast
8:30-10:00	Interventions: Concurrent Sessions A: Housing Issues, Answers, and Dilemmas Henrietta Fishman, DCSW & Jim Barrett, CSW B: The IPS Model of Vocational Rehabilitation Richard Toscano, M.A.
10:00-10:15	Break
10:15-12:15	Interventions: Models
10:15-10:45	City: Home First Marcella Maguire, Ph.D. & Vince Kane, LCSW
10:45-11:15	Federal: West LA VA William L. Daniels, MSW
11:15-11:45	Non-profit: Bowery Residence Program Muzzy Rosenblatt, MPA
11:45-12:15	City: Critical Time Intervention Daniel Herman, M.D.
12:15-12:30	Conclusion and Evaluations

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Evaluation: Participants will be asked to complete an overall evaluation and an evaluation for each speaker.

Certificate of Attendance: To receive a certificate, participants must sign in at the beginning of the conference, attend the entire conference, and complete an evaluation. Certificates will be awarded at the conclusion of the conference. No partial credit will be awarded.

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Registration Form

•Fee: **\$25** for VA employees, **\$95** for non-VA employees.
•Registration fee includes continental breakfast, breaks,, course materials.

•We encourage pre-registration as space is limited and course materials are not guaranteed for walk-ins.

•Confirmation of registration will be e-mailed (provide address below) or mailed to all participants.

•**To register by mail:** Mail completed registration form WITH payment to CHEP (11E), Attn: SMI/Homeless Conference, Bldg. 82H, 1st Floor, Perry Point, MD 21902

•**To register by fax:** If paying by credit card, fax completed registration to 410-642-1090, Attn: SMI/Homeless Conference. Do not mail form if previously faxed.

•**To cancel your registration:** Cancellations must be received in writing 7 days prior to the conference date. Fax cancellations to 410-642-1090.

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