



New Resource from SAMHSA SOAR: FAQs for Working with Justice-Involved People

The SAMHSA SOAR TA Center, operated by Policy Research Associates, Inc., has released a new resource for SOAR providers, *Working with Justice-Involved Persons: Frequently Asked Questions*. This two-page document answers questions and offers resources for providers working with people in the criminal justice system to help them through the disability benefit application process administered by the Social Security Administration. Answers to questions surrounding applying for Supplemental Security Income and Social Security Disability Insurance, suspension and reinstatement of benefits, and other common issues are provided.

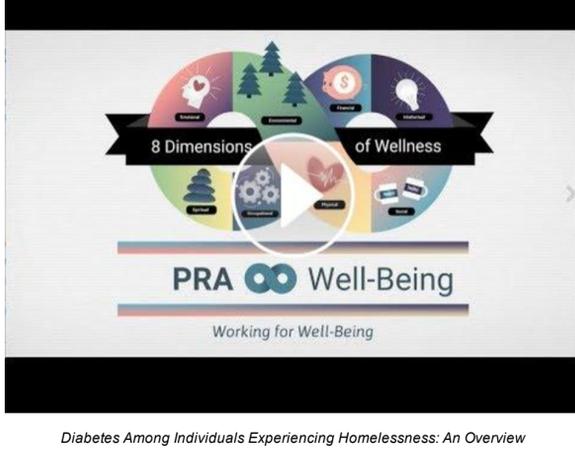


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New Video Release: Diabetes Among Individuals Experiencing Homelessness

It's estimated that among adults experiencing homelessness, eight percent have been diagnosed with diabetes. However, the actual rate is likely higher because many individuals who experience homelessness lack access to medical care to be properly diagnosed.^[1] In an effort to educate, raise awareness, and provide action steps related to risk factors and treatment options for diabetes among individuals with mental health conditions, substance use disorders, or co-occurring disorders and who experience homelessness, PRA Well-Being is pleased to announce the release of a two-part animated video series, *Diabetes Among Individuals Experiencing Homelessness*.

Stream the series today to learn about risk factors associated with diabetes, as well as common challenges for individuals experiencing homelessness and seeking to treat their diabetes. The animated video series offers recommendations for providers, helping to ensure individuals with mental health conditions, substance use disorders, or co-occurring disorders who are experiencing homelessness are offered programs and services to help manage this chronic disease. These videos offer valuable information for providers of services related to homelessness, mental health, substance use, and primary care, as well as for the general public.



Diabetes Among Individuals Experiencing Homelessness: An Overview



Diabetes Among Individuals Experiencing Homelessness: Recommendations for Providers

Call for Papers: Special Issue of *Medical Care* on Multimorbidity Among Homeless Populations

Medical Care, the official journal of the Medical Section, American Public Health Association, will be releasing a special issue on multimorbidity among homeless populations in 2020. *Medical Care* is issuing a call for papers centered around the theme of addressing multimorbidity and psychosocial factors among individuals experiencing homelessness.

Some topics for the special issue may include the following:

- Evaluation of interaction and/or integration of healthcare, social services, and other sectors in serving homeless populations
- Systematic or meta-analytic reviews of interventions or models
- Healthcare and homeless services in unique geographic areas, such as rural regions
- Tele-health and other technology-based solutions for homeless populations
- Innovative, effective models of care, such as community psychiatry and street medicine approaches
- Addressing suicide, opioid use disorder, unique medical conditions, and early mortality among homeless populations, particularly from the psychosocial perspective

PRA Senior Project Associate Jen Elder will serve as a guest editor of this special issue alongside Jack Tsai and Ben King. The initial submission deadline is December 15, 2019.

[Learn More & Submit Your Paper](#)

Upcoming Webinars

SAMHSA's GAINS Center

[National Webinar: Implementing Medication-assisted Treatment in Drug Court Settings](#)

August 5, 2019, 2:00-3:30 p.m. ET

This webinar covers fundamental concepts for implementing medication-assisted treatment (MAT) in drug court settings. Considerations for courts transitioning to offering MAT will be discussed, including funding.

[Successful Supported Employment Summer Series: Financing Strategies](#)

August 12, 2019, 3:00-4:00 p.m. ET

In this webinar, presenters will describe approaches to financing that have been implemented at the state, community, and program levels, including Medicaid waivers, collaborating with vocational rehabilitation departments, Social Security Administration work incentives, and more. Learn more about the [Successful Supported Employment Summer Series](#).

[Advancing Early Diversion Summer Series: Effective Early Diversion Follow-up for Engaging Individuals in Services and Recovery](#)

August 19, 2019, 1:00-2:00 p.m. ET

This webinar will examine follow-up strategies implemented in several jurisdictions to improve treatment engagement. Learn more about the [Advancing Early Diversion Summer Series](#).

SAMHSA SOAR TA Center

[Medical Summary Report Summer Camp](#)

August 28, 2019, 3:00-4:30 p.m. ET

During this webinar, SOAR providers and the SAMHSA SOAR TA Center will describe how the Medical Summary Report is a critical component of the SOAR model and an effective tool in applying for Social Security disability benefits. Panelists will share case studies that illustrate how the Medical Summary Report was instrumental with their successful outcomes.

Partner Event: HHRN Virtual Summit



THE WAY HOME

A Virtual Summit on Homelessness, Serious Mental Illness, and Substance Use Disorders

August 7-8, 2019, 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. ET daily

Please join SAMHSA's Homeless and Housing Resource Network for a 2-day national online conversation about the most effective approaches to ending homelessness for individuals with serious mental illness and/or substance use disorders. *The Way Home: A Virtual Summit on Homelessness, Serious Mental Illness, and Substance Use Disorders* will take place August 7-8, 2019, 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (ET) daily. Continuing Education Hours are available at no cost to registrants. For more information, [visit the registration page](#).

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