



## Housing and the Sequential Intercept Model: A How to Guide for Planning for the Housing Needs of Individuals with Justice Involvement and Mental Illness

The Pennsylvania Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (OMHSAS) is pleased to announce *Housing and the Sequential Intercept Model*, a new resource for people working with individuals with justice involvement and mental illness.

OMHSAS recognizes that stable housing is a critical element to any successful strategy designed to reduce justice involvement. This Handbook provides direction to mental health, criminal justice, housing and other agencies interested in engaging in a planning process to increase housing opportunities and decrease justice involvement and recidivism among individuals with mental illness. Specifically, the Handbook:

- explains why housing is a critical element;
- describes the obstacles in locating housing;
- introduces a number of successful housing strategies and models; and
- provides a step by step guide to successfully incorporating housing players and resources into a planning process.

*Housing and the Sequential Intercept Model* can be downloaded at either

PARecovery.org

or

PAHousingChoices.org/publications/

