

“Do not judge by appearances,
a rich Heart may be under a poor coat.”

- Scottish Proverb

About Us

The TIP Unit is part of Philadelphia’s Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual Disability Services (DBHIDS). It exists to assist persons with behavioral health challenges successfully integrate into the community. It also oversees homeless services in Philadelphia.

TIP has grown in name and its focus.

- 1996** Access to Alternative Services (AAS) is formed.
- 2002** AAS becomes the Consumer Support Network (CSN) with expanded partnerships.
- 2005** Transformation decade starts and focuses on recovery.
- 2012** Transitions, Integrations, and Partnerships (TIP) created with a focus on homelessness.
- 2016** TIP continues to focus on community inclusion and recovery.

The TIP Unit Today

T.I.P. now functions as a more responsive model focused on individual progress with a transforming Continuum of care. The Unit is part of a network of partners that assist priority individuals connect to residential services. Housing is not an entitlement service, but T.I.P. assists eligible participants in finding living situations that optimize their recovery and meaningful connections to the community.

Resources

Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual Disability Services
1101 Market St., Ste 700 Phila., PA 19107
215-685-5400 • DBHIDS.org

Family Resource Network (FRN)
520 N. Delaware Ave., Ste 200, Phila., PA 19123
215-599-5176 • FRNfamilies.org

Community Behavioral Health (CBH)
801 Market St., Ste 7000, Phila., PA 19107
215-413-3100 • DBHIDS.org/CBH

Philadelphia Corporation for Aging (PCA)
642 N Broad St., Phila., PA 19130
215-765-9040 • www.PCAcares.org

Office of Homeless Services
1401 JFK Blvd., 10th Floor, Phila., PA 19102
OSH-Generalinfo@phila.gov
215-686-6442 • Phila.gov/OSH

Homeless Outreach Hotlines
215-232-1984 • 877-222-1984

Contact Us

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The Philadelphia T.I.P. Unit

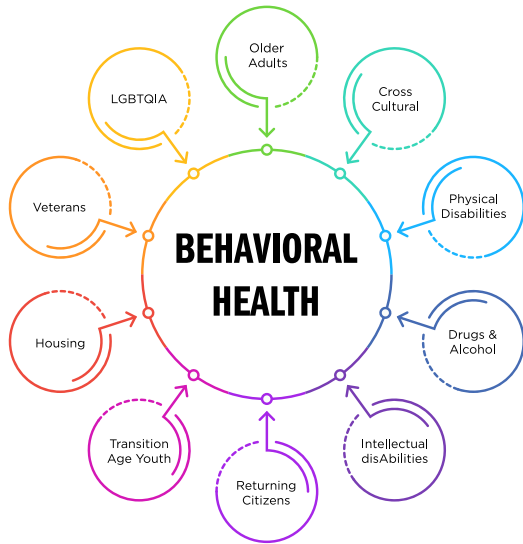
TRANSITIONS INTEGRATIONS PARTNERSHIPS

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*Assist
Integrate
Serve*





TRANSITIONS AND INTEGRATIONS

T.I.P. strategically matches individuals in targeted priority populations that reflect the areas of highest need with living environments designed to enhance a person's recovery.

The unit has provided assistance to people with a variety of co-occurring conditions. It refers individuals to residences with an appropriate level of care.

Housing with Supports Wrapped Around the Person

The T.I.P. Unit has been in existence for over two decades and is composed of program analysts each bringing their own specialized area of focus. They regularly assess individual's status to ensure the best possible service delivery.

The analysts draw upon evidence based practices and the DBHIDS practice guidelines to make the most effective recommendations for program participants.

ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATIONS

To be considered for residential services, placement and supports, **ALL of these four criteria must be met:**

1. Meet state Adult Priority Group criteria for Serious Mental Illness
2. Philadelphia County resident for a minimum of 6 months (exclusive of any institutional placement)
3. At least 18 years old
4. Income below \$1,000 per month unless documented extraordinary clinical or financial need.

PLUS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

Current Treatment History

1. On Extended Acute Care Unit, or in TIP Housing
2. On Extended Acute Care Waiting List
3. In a Long Term Structured Residence

Co-occurring Condition (documentation required)

Emerging Adult

- ▶ Persons aged 18-24 who have aged out of the Child Welfare System, been unstably housed, or experienced homelessness

Homelessness

1. Homeless outreach contact records within 90 days
2. Admission to a Safe Haven
3. Multiple or Long Term Shelter Admission (HUD Chronic Homelessness Criteria)

Returning citizens monitored by

1. Criminal Mental Health Court in coordination with the Behavioral Health and Justice Related Services Division (BHJRS)
2. Department of Corrections referrals for persons reaching max sentence in 12 months, in coordination with the BHJRS
3. Philadelphia Prison System Reentry Program Coordination, for persons reaching max sentence
4. Persons leaving long-term institutional settings in coordination with BHJRS

PARTNERSHIPS

T.I.P. is one resource out of many and the unit is continually developing a network of partnerships to help individuals in their journey of recovery. Partners include:

- ▶ Clearinghouse
- ▶ Consumer Support Services (CSS)
- ▶ Physical healthcare
- ▶ Behavioral healthcare
- ▶ Community Behavioral Health
- ▶ Targeted Case Management (TCM)
- ▶ Behavioral Health and Justice Related Services Division (BHJRS)
- ▶ Behavioral Health Special Initiatives
- ▶ Network of over 30 provider agencies
- ▶ Continuity of Care Unit (CoC)

