



## ▶▶ Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health Homeless Outreach Mobile Engagement

### Supporting Los Angeles County's Most Vulnerable

Challenges faced by people experiencing homelessness are often complex and overwhelming. For those also struggling with severe mental illness and its associated impairments, accessing the services and supports needed to obtain housing can be an insurmountable obstacle. Serving unhoused adults with severe mental illness who decline other services, the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) Homeless Outreach & Mobile Engagement (HOME) Program aims to meet the most vulnerable and disengaged in the community where they are at and do whatever it takes to help them move towards housing and recovery.



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## Addressing Impaired Insight and Judgment

Anosognosia is a condition in which a person is unaware of their own health issues or other problems. This condition frequently accompanies severe mental illnesses like schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, and bipolar disorder. Often described as a “lack of insight” or “denial of deficit,” it means that people may genuinely not realize they are impaired or understand why they need help. HOME specializes in serving people with these impairments who have previously not been able to effectively engage in mental health treatment or obtain housing.

## Outreach, Engagement, Assessment, and Treatment

Combining the principles of persistent outreach and engagement with the benefits of the full scope of services offered by LACDMH and its partners, HOME provides:

- Outreach and engagement
- Assistance with basic needs
- Access to interim and permanent housing
- Connection to primary medical care
- Benefits establishment and obtaining vital documents
- Street psychiatry assessment and treatment
- Medication administration and delivery
- Initiation of psychiatric inpatient services
- Outpatient-initiated referral for LPS conservatorship
- Intensive follow-up care

## Refer for Recovery and Reconnection

For additional information about HOME and to submit referrals, please visit our website:

<https://dmh.lacounty.gov/our-services/countywide-services/home/>

