

INDIVIDUAL PLACEMENT AND SUPPORT (IPS) FOR JOBS & CAREERS!



PRACTICE PRINCIPLES & ACCESS

OVERVIEW OF IPS SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT/EDUCATION

IPS (Individual Placement and Support) supported employment is the only evidence-based model for persons with mental health and co-occurring substance use challenges to help find work at regular jobs of their choosing. You can read more at www.IPSWorks.org

WHAT IS UNIQUE ABOUT IPS?

- Work promotes recovery and wellness
- Practitioners work in collaboration with state vocational rehabilitation counselors
- IPS uses a multidisciplinary team approach with mental health practitioners
- Services are individualized and long lasting
- Includes Supported Education for career development

THE 8 PRACTICE PRINCIPLES OF IPS SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

1. **Focus on Competitive Employment**
2. **Eligibility Based on Client Choice; zero exclusion related to readiness or other history.**
3. **Integration of Vocational Rehabilitation and Mental Health Services**
4. **Attention to Worker Preferences**
5. **Personalized Benefits Counseling**
6. **Rapid Job Search rather than providing lengthy pre-employment assessment, training, and counseling**
7. **Systematic Job Development with businesses based on job seeker preferences**
8. **Time-Unlimited and Individualized Support**

WHAT IS THE CRITERIA FOR SERVICES?

The person must be working age (16 and older) and must have a primary suspected or documented mental illness whereby supports are needed to find and keep a job in the community.

HOW DO I FIND IPS IN BROWARD COUNTY?

Go to Vocational Rehabilitation	Contact IPS Providers Directly	
<p>Each VR office has an “IPS Liaison”:</p> <p>22A – Elizabeth Gonzales (954) 747-7900 7771 W. Oakland Park Blvd, Ste 201 Sunrise, Fl. 33351</p> <p>22B – Julie Emerson (954) 202-3800 1400 W. Commercial Blvd, Ste 115 Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33309</p> <p>22C – Sharon Wood (954) 202-3800 1400 W. Commercial Blvd, Ste 115 Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33309</p> <p>22D – Michelle Scott (954) 893-5093 7550 Davie Rd. Extension Hollywood, Fl. 33024</p> <p>22E – Jennifer Ferrara (954) 346-2828 2825 N. University Drive, Ste 210 Coral Springs, Fl. 33065</p> <p>www.rehabworks.org</p>	<p>Susan B. Anthony Recovery Center Christopher Hickman, B.A., M.S., RMHI Associate Director of Career and Adult Education Department 1633 Poinciana Drive, Pembroke Pines #954.733.6068 x2016</p> <p>chickman@sbarecovery.org</p> <p>www.SBARecovery.org</p>	<p>Foot Print to Success Clubhouse, Inc. Maritza Soto, M.S. IPS Supervisor 3511 NW 8th Ave, Suite 7, Pompano Beach #954-657-8040</p> <p>m.soto@footprintsuccess.org</p> <p>www.footprintsuccess.org</p>

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