

Homeless Health Care Los Angeles

DRUG ABUSE HOMELESS DAY CARE SERVICES ADMISSION, DISCHARGE, FOLLOW-UP AGREEMENT POLICY

ADMISSION AGREEMENT: Homeless Health Care Los Angeles (HHCLA) provides free services to all clients who meet the following criteria:

1. An individual must be homeless, near homeless or GR /CalWORKS referred.
 - a) an individual is homeless if his/her night-time residence is either an emergency shelter or in the streets, parks, bus station hotel rooms.
 - b) an individual is near homeless if s/he is living in and out of single room occupancy hotels or living in substandard conditions to afford rent.
 - c) a GR/CalWORKS individual mandated/referred by DPSS to receive drug treatment services.
2. Reside in Los Angeles County.
3. Be 18 years old or older.
4. Be a drug user, excluding alcohol as the primary drug
5. Agree to participate in HHCLA's Outpatient Counseling & Case Management Drug Treatment Program.
6. Agree to participate in weekly individual drug counseling/case management session.
7. Agree to participate in at least two drug education groups per week.
8. Strive to achieve and/or maintain a drug-free lifestyle while in treatment.
9. Work on the treatment goals that you and your counselor agree upon.

DISCHARGE AGREEMENT: After a client has had an intake assessment, s/he is assigned a primary drug counselor/case manager who will oversee treatment. The client is then considered an active client. *An active client will be discharged from the program for any of the following reasons (thus losing their active status):*

1. Non attendance or no contact for 30 days.
2. Non-compliance with the admission, discharge, and follow-up agreement policy.
3. Violent or threatening behavior toward staff or clients.
4. Drug use and illicit drug transactions on premises.
5. Weapons on program premises.
6. Willful destruction of property or vandalism.
7. When medical, psychological or other conditions necessitate referral or transfer to another agency for primary case management or treatment.

A client discharged for any of these reasons may re-enter the program if eligibility criteria still exist and at the discretion of the Substance Abuse Specialist/Clinical Supervisor.

FOLLOW-UP AGREEMENT: A follow-up mail and/or phone contact shall be made within 30 days of the last face-to-face encounter with a client who is no longer in active treatment.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Admission, Discharge, and Follow-Up Agreement Policy. I have had an opportunity to discuss it, and any questions I have had have been answered to my satisfaction. I hereby request and consent to outpatient drug counseling/case management services of Homeless Health Care Los Angeles. I further understand this may include the presence and participation of staff, student interns, and volunteers in the health professions. I acknowledge this by my signature:

Client Signature: _____ Date: _____

Staff Signature: _____ Date: _____

