BRINGING COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS INTO OUR COMMUNITIES IMPROVES LINKAGE FOR HIGH RISK HOMELESS AND RE-ENTRY PATIENTS
In Transitions Clinic Network, Community Health Workers (CHW) are hired with lived experience.

- Valley Homeless Healthcare Program
VALLEY HOMELESS AT THE RE-ENTRY
The transition from jail to the community

CHW developed a “warm hand-off” intervention where CHW meet with high-risk Homeless patients while still in jail to facilitate linkage.

Bringing CHW into Custody Clinics Improves Re-Entry Linkage for High Risk Homeless Patients
GOALS

- To improve linkage to medical care
- Reduce Recidivism and Hospitalization
- Help to stabilize clients through Housing options
- Continue to follow up with social needs while promoting self-sufficiency
- Improved Quality of Life
70% of clients connected to RRC

75 percent of all re-offenses were misdemeanor crimes. Drugs and alcohol offenses comprised 40 percent of that recidivism and were by far the most common type of recidivism. The next common, at 29 percent were related to property, theft and fraud, which often committed as a result of substance dependency.

During the period (October 2011 to September) Recidivism decreased 11%