

PATH Articles/Stories
Spotlight on Homelessness in Ohio
Guiding Questions

Here is a list of sample “guiding” questions providers can refer to when writing articles. Please do not feel pressured to address all of the questions (except #1) and you can add whatever other information you want.

1. Please include the full name and location of your agency, and the name, credentials and job titles of all PATH agency staff or other staff who contributed to the article.
2. Would the subject be willing to include his/her photograph in the article? If so, please attach the photograph and a signed, completed copy of the Ohio MHAS consent form.
3. What is the subject’s first name, age, gender and occupation? Where is the subject from? Where does the subject live now?
4. Does he/she have children/grandchildren/spouse? Other close relatives or friends?
5. What, if any notable accomplishments does the subject have in his/her past or in progress now? Is the subject’s background unique in any way? What, if any unusual traits does he/she have?
6. At what age or point in life did the subject begin to experience a mental health disturbance? What was the trigger, if anything? Describe the symptoms. Describe the severity.
7. What type of intervention/treatment, if any, did the subject seek at that time? If none, why not? If some, from which provider, type, duration, outcome? Were there any barriers to treatment?
8. At what point did the subject become homeless or become threatened w/ loss of residence? If homelessness occurred, how long was the subject homeless and where did he/she stay during that time? How were his/her basic needs met?
9. How did the subject become affiliated with PATH?
10. What specific services did PATH provide or refer subject for? Were they completed? Still in progress? Postponed? Declined?
11. How long has it been since PATH intervened? How is the subject’s MH condition now? What, if any, other circumstances have changed in the subject’s life since the PATH intervention?
12. What, specifically, does the subject say was the hardest part of his/her MI?
13. What, specifically, does the subject say was the hardest part of seeking/obtaining services?
14. What, specifically, does the subject say was the hardest part of his/her MH recovery?
15. What advice would the subject like to share w/ other people experiencing a similar struggle? (May be a direct quote or not.)
16. What is something the subject wished he/she knew before experiencing the worst part of the journey?
17. Would a PATH clinician be willing to share a quote, explanation or piece of advice for readers/clients/other clinicians? If so, please include with clinician’s full name, credentials and job title (if not already listed as part of #1).

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