PSYCHOSOCIAL REHABILITATION AND RECOVERY SERVICES

1. REASON FOR ISSUE: This Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Directive provides Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) policy concerning uniform and consistent national procedures for providing psychosocial rehabilitation and recovery services to eligible Veterans.

2. SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES: This is a new Directive.


4. RESPONSIBLE OFFICE: The National Mental Health Director for Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Services in the Office of Mental Health Services (116), and the Office of Patient Care Services is responsible for the contents of this VHA Directive. Questions may be referred to (352) 376-1611 ext. 4642.

5. RESCISSIONS: None.

6. RECERTIFICATION: The VHA Directive is scheduled for recertification on/or before the last working day of July 2016.

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1. PURPOSE: This Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Directive establishes the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) policy concerning uniform and consistent national procedures and policies for providing psychosocial rehabilitation and recovery services at all field stations and to eligible Veterans. The accompanying Handbooks provide the expectations, procedures, and reporting requirements for Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery (PSR&R) services under the auspices of VHA’s Office of Mental Health Services.

2. POLICY: It is VHA policy that all mental health services must be recovery-oriented.

3. ACTION: VHA Central Office Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Services section in the Office of Mental Health Services (116) is responsible for establishing policy and procedures concerning uniform, and consistent psychosocial rehabilitation and recovery services to eligible Veterans.

4. DEFINITIONS: The following VHA Handbooks provide procedures effecting VHA Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Service policy.

   a. Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Services. This VHA Handbook establishes procedures, expectations, and reporting requirements for Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery (PSR&R) services under the auspices of VHA’s Office of Mental Health Services.

   b. Therapeutic and Supported Employment Services. This VHA Handbook establishes procedures for the provision of work restoration services for eligible Veterans.

   c. Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Centers (PRRC). This VHA Handbook establishes procedures for transforming existing Day Treatment, Day Hospital, and analogous programs into PRRCs and for establishing new PRRCs.

   d. Family Services. This VHA Handbook establishes procedures for providing recovery-oriented family therapy services to eligible Veterans and eligible family members.

   e. Peer Support. This VHA Handbook establishes procedures in providing peer support services throughout the mental health programs in VHA.