

Home Visits: Why & How to Do Them Thursday, November 17th, 2022

Start: 1:00 PM ET **End:** 3:30 PM ET

Instructors: Caitlin Mobley, LSW & Andrew Spiers, LSW

The home visit is the cornerstone of the Housing First program, and one of only two conditions participants must consent to in order to access housing. As simple as it may sound, conducting a thorough and effective home visit is actually a targeted and nuanced intervention that can provide immeasurable insight into our participants' health and wellness. In this session, attendees will learn how to conduct a home visit that satisfies the needs of a high fidelity Housing First program. Presenters will cover the before, during, and after of each visit, and provide a checklist of topics to discuss or monitor for attendees' future reference. Presenters will also review common issues identified during home visits, best practices for inter- and intradepartmental communication, and strategies for engaging participants who regularly decline or miss visits.

Learning objectives:

When attendees return to the workplace, they will be able to:

- Define the purpose and goals of the home visit as a targeted intervention
- Name three tasks staff must complete to prepare for an effective home visit
- Identify key information to be included in home visit documentation

Target Audience: Social service providers and helping professionals conducting home visits, as well as others with direct client contact, and their supervisors.

Social Work Practice Level: This course is appropriate for beginner and intermediate BSW/MSW learners.

Course Delivery Format: Live webinar

Interactivity: This course will offer real-time polling, group discussion prompts, and 15 minutes of Q&A time.

Credit hours offered: 2.25 credits*

Fees: \$20 general registration; additional \$5 for registration with social work CE credit

Registration includes access to the live event and recording, PDF of slides, and relevant training tip sheets/resources.

To register, please submit payment to: <https://bit.ly/3RI5765>

Upon receipt of payment, attendees will receive a receipt via email with the link to finalize their course registration with Zoom. Information for accessing the live webinar will then be sent directly from Zoom.

Registration deadline: Individuals may register up until the start time of the event.

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Course completion requirements: Attendees must attend the entirety of the virtual session with system video/audio enabled to participate, and respond to all poll questions and activities. Certificates will be distributed to participants via email within two weeks of the course date. Attendees must complete a course evaluation via Google Forms within 48 hours of the course's conclusion in order to receive a certificate and any continuing education credit. Course evaluation links will be distributed during the session via chat and immediately following the training via email. Individuals must attend the live webinar in order to receive a certificate of completion and any continuing education credit.

System requirements: Webinar participants must have access to a computer, tablet, or smart phone with high speed Internet, microphone, speakers, webcam, and a (free) Zoom video conferencing account.

Session Facilitators:



Caitlin Mobley, LSW (she/her) joined Pathways to Housing PA as an Assistant Team Leader in 2019, transitioned to Team Leader in 2020, and in 2021 became the agency's Outreach Manager. In this role, Caitlin coordinates with Philadelphia's Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual disAbility Services and various city agencies to connect individuals experiencing homelessness with Pathways to Housing PA. Prior to this, Caitlin worked in Permanent Supportive Housing and at a domestic violence shelter in New York City. Caitlin has witnessed the success of Housing First practice in action and is a firm believer that the model strongly contributes to the greater mission of ending homelessness. She received her Master of Social Work from Fordham University and is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in New York.



Andrew Spiers, LSW (he/him) is the Director of Training and Technical Assistance for Pathways to Housing PA's Housing First University. Andrew joined Pathways in early 2018 and served as an Assistant Team Leader and Team Leader before launching Housing First University in October 2019. Andrew holds a Master of Social Service from Bryn Mawr College's Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research, where he concentrated in Community Practice, Policy, & Advocacy. He has taught Human Services and Sociology courses as an adjunct professor at Harcum College and conducted training and workshops all over the country on Housing First, harm reduction, and affirming care for LGBTQ+ communities.

Schedule	
12:45-1:00 PM	Virtual training room opens
1:00-1:10 PM	Welcome & introductions
1:10-1:30 PM	Purpose & philosophy of the home visit
1:30-2:10 PM	Before, during, & after
2:10-2:20 PM	Break
2:20-3:00 PM	Home visit dilemmas
3:00-3:15 PM	Case scenarios
3:15-3:30 PM	Review, Q&A

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ACE approval statement: Housing First University: a program of Pathways to Housing PA, provider #1759, is approved as an ACE provider to offer social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Approved Continuing Education (ACE) program. Regulatory boards are the final authority on courses accepted for continuing education credit. ACE provider approval period: 01/12/2022 – 01/12/2025. Social workers completing this course receive 2.25 general continuing education credits.

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Security policy: <https://bit.ly/3x4qiro>

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