

# Home as part of the journey of recovery

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# Stories

*Stories matter. Many stories matter.*

*Stories have been used to dispossess and malign, but stories can also be used to empower and to humanise.*

*Stories can break the dignity of a people, but stories can also repair that broken dignity*

Chimamanda Adichie

# **Where has recovery come from?**

## **Version 1: Modernisation**

# Clinical Recovery

Full symptom remission, full or part time work / education, independent living without supervision by informal carers, having friends with whom activities can be shared – sustained for a period of 2 years

Liberman RP, Kopelowicz A (2002)

Recovery from schizophrenia,

*International Review of Psychiatry*, 14, 245-255.

# DESCRIPTION OF THE RETREAT,

AN INSTITUTION NEAR YORK

For Insane Persons

OF THE  
SOCIETY OF FRIENDS.

CONTAINING AN ACCOUNT OF ITS  
ORIGIN AND PROGRESS,

The Modes of Treatment,

AND  
A STATEMENT OF CASES.

By SAMUEL TUKE.

With an Elevation and Plans of the Building.

Includes an Introduction by  
Richard Hunter and Ida Macalpine  
and a new Foreword by Kathleen Jones

## TABLE OF CASES.

191

| Number. | Age of Males. | Age of Fem. | Single or Mar. | Old or Recov. | Description of Disorder. | When admitted. | Discharged, Deceased, &c. | In what state. |
|---------|---------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|
|         |               |             |                |               |                          | Mo.            | Mo.                       |                |
| 6       | 25            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 7, 1796        | Remains                   |                |
| 7       | 50            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 8,             | Remains                   |                |
| 8       | 45            |             | M              | OC            | Man.                     | 8,             | Remains                   |                |
| 9       | 26            |             | S              | RC            | Mel.                     | 8,             | 4, 97 D.                  | Imp. ←         |
| 10      | 52            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 9,             | Remains                   |                |
| 11      | 52            |             | S              | OC            | H.M.                     | 9,             | 8, 1800                   | Recov.         |
| 12      | 30            |             | S              | OC            | Dem.                     | 9,             | Remains                   |                |
| 13      | 39            |             | M              | OC            | Mel.                     | 11,            | 5, 1800                   | Recov.         |
| 14      | 55            |             | M              | OC            | Mel.                     | 12,            | 11, 1798                  | Recov.         |
| 15      | 32            |             | S              | OC            | Mel.                     | 12,            | Remains                   |                |
| 16      | 45            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 2, 1797        | 12, 1798                  | M.I.           |
| 17      | 74            |             | W              | OC            | H.M.                     | 4,             | 10, 1804                  | M.I.           |
| 18      | 54            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 5,             | 1, 1811                   | Imp.           |
| 19      | 72            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 7,             | Remains                   |                |
| 20      | 47            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 7,             | 7, 05 D.                  | Imp. ←         |
| 21      | 45            |             | S              | RC            | Man.                     | 1, 1798        | 1, 1799                   | M.I.           |
| 22      | 24            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 2,             | 7, 09 D.                  |                |
| 23      | 20            |             | S              | RC            | Man.                     | 3,             | 6, 1798                   | Recov.         |
| 24      | 45            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 3,             | 7, 1806                   | Recov.         |
| 25      | 45            |             | S              | OC            | Man.                     | 6,             | 3,                        | Recov.         |

### APPARENT CAUSE, &c.

- No. 10. Succeeded a disappointment of the affections
- No. 13. Constitutional.
- No. 15. Constitutional.
- No. 16. Succeeded disappointment in business.
- No. 17. Constitutional.
- No. 19. Succeeded disappointment of affections.
- No. 21. Constitutional.
- No. 23. Succeeded family misfortunes.
- No. 25. Succeeded disappointment of affections.

19  
6 Recovered  
3 M.I.  
3 I  
7 Remain  
3 D

# Schizophrenia outcome: 20+ year follow-up

| Team     | Location | Yr   | n   | F-up<br>(yrs) | Recovered /<br>sig. improved<br>(%) |
|----------|----------|------|-----|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Huber    | Bonn     | 1975 | 502 | 22            | 57                                  |
| Ciampi   | Lausanne | 1976 | 289 | 37            | 53                                  |
| Bleuler  | Zurich   | 1978 | 208 | 23            | 53-68                               |
| Tsuang   | Iowa     | 1979 | 186 | 35            | 46                                  |
| Harding  | Vermont  | 1987 | 269 | 32            | 62-68                               |
| Ogawa    | Japan    | 1987 | 140 | 23            | 57                                  |
| Marneros | Cologne  | 1989 | 249 | 25            | 58                                  |
| DeSisto  | Maine    | 1995 | 269 | 35            | 49                                  |
| Harrison | 18-site  | 2001 | 776 | 25            | 56                                  |

Slade M, Amering M, Oades L (2008) Recovery: an international perspective.  
*Epidemiology e Psichiatria Sociale*, 17, 128-137.

**Where has recovery come from?**

**Version 2: Lived experience**

# Personal recovery

A deeply personal, unique process of changing one's attitudes, values, feelings, goals, skills and roles. It is a way of living a satisfying, hopeful and contributing life even with limitations caused by the illness.

Anthony WA (1993) Recovery from mental illness:  
the guiding vision of the mental health service system in the 1990s,  
*Psychosocial Rehabilitation Journal*, **16**, 11-23.



# Recovery - a short definition

Recovery involves living as well as possible.

South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust (2010)  
*Social Inclusion and Recovery (SIR) Strategy 2010-2015*,  
London: SLAM.



# Different stories

Flat. Lacking in motivation, sleep and appetite good. Discussed aetiology. Cont. LiCarb 250mg qid. Levels next time.

Today I wanted to die. Everything was hurting. My body was screaming. I saw the doctor. I said nothing. Now I feel terrible. Nothing seems good and nothing good seems possible. I am stuck in this twilight mood where I go down into a lonely black hole. Where there is room for only one.

O'Hagan M (1996) *Two accounts of mental distress*,  
In: Read J, Reynolds J (eds) "Speaking our Minds", London: Macmillan.

The empirical evidence  
about mental health  
and recovery:  
**how likely, how long,  
what helps?**

Prof Mike Slade  
Dr Eleanor Longden  
July 2015



MI Fellowship

Slade M, Longden E (2015)  
*Empirical evidence about  
mental health and recovery*,  
BMC Psychiatry, **15**, 285.

# Trajectories of Recovery Among Formerly Homeless Adults With Serious Mental Illness

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**Objective:** Recovery from mental illness is possible, but individuals with co-occurring disorders and homelessness face challenges. Although a nonlinear recovery course is assumed, few studies have analyzed recovery over time. This mixed-methods study examined recovery trajectories over 18 months after enrollment in supportive housing programs of 38 participants with *DSM* axis I diagnoses.

**Methods:** Qualitative interview data were quantified through consensual ratings to generate a recovery score for four waves of data collection based on eight recovery domains culled from the literature. Case study analyses were conducted of participants whose scores varied by one standard deviation or more between baseline and 18 months to identify which domains were important.

**Results:** Most of the 38 participants (N=23) had no significant change in recovery; seven had a negative trajectory, and eight had a positive trajectory. Case studies of these 15

participants indicated domains that contributed to change: significant-other relationships (N=9), engagement in meaningful activities (N=9), mental health (N=7), family relationships (N=6), general medical health (N=5), housing satisfaction (N=5), employment (N=2), and substance use (N=1). Except for mental health and substance use (which contributed only to negative trajectories), the influence of domains was both positive and negative. Domains were intertwined; for example, variation in relationships was linked to changes in meaningful activities.

**Conclusions:** This study showed little change in recovery over time for most participants and a decline in mental health for a small minority. Findings underscore the importance of social relationships and meaningful activities among individuals with serious mental illness, who experience complex challenges.

*Psychiatric Services* 2016; 67:610–614; doi: 10.1176/appi.ps.201500126

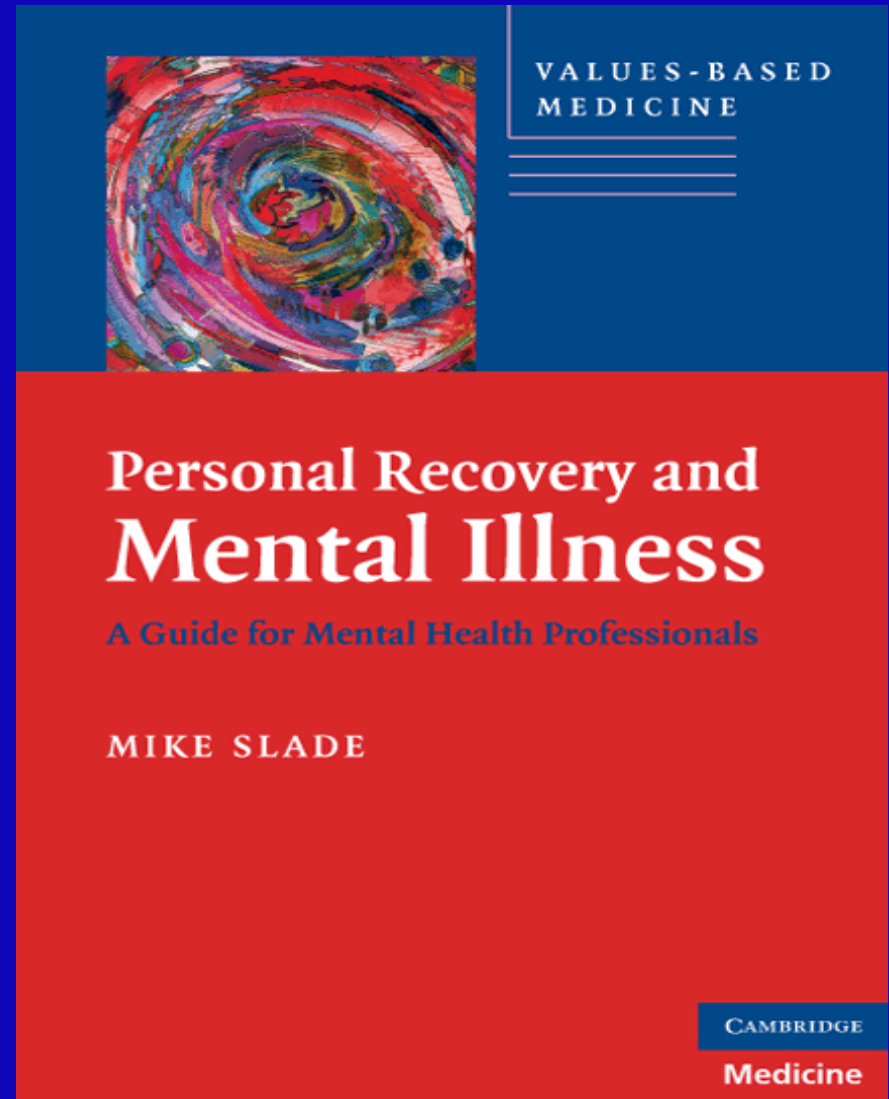
# 18-month outcome (n=35)

- + - Significant-other relationships
- + - Meaningful activities
  - Mental health
- + - Family relationships
- + - General health
- + - Housing satisfaction
- + - Employment
  - Substance use

# Which type of recovery should be the goal of the mental health system?

1. Epistemological
2. Ethical
3. Empowerment
4. Effectiveness
5. Policy

2009



**Where is recovery now?**



# Recovery processes: CHIME framework



Leamy M, Bird V, Le Boutillier C, Williams J, Slade M (2011) *A conceptual framework for personal recovery...systematic review and narrative synthesis*, British Journal of Psychiatry, **199**, 445-452.

# Foresight five ways to wellbeing

1. Connect
2. Be active
3. Take notice
4. Keep learning
5. Give

Foresight Mental Capital Wellbeing Project (2008)

*Mental Capital and Wellbeing: Making the most of ourselves in the 21st century*, London: Government Office for Science.

# Connectedness



# What do people want?

Someone to love

Somewhere to live

Something to do

Something to hope for

**Hope**





EVENINGS AT 7  
IN THE PARISH HALL

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MON ALCOHOLICS  
ANONYMOUS

TUE ABUSED SPOUSES

WED EATING  
DISORDERS

THU SAY NO TO  
DRUGS

FRI TEEN SUICIDE  
WATCH

SAT SOUP KITCHEN

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SUNDAY SERMON  
9 A.M.

"AMERICA'S JOYOUS  
FUTURE"



# The central importance of hope

## Hope predicts:

**Self-harm and suicide** Klonsky D et al (2012) Suic Life Threat Behav **42**, 1-10.

**Symptomatology** Cheavens J et al (2006) Social Indicators Research **77**, 61–78.

**Social network** Connell J et al (2012) Health and Quality of Life Outcomes **10**, 138.

**Quality of life** Werner S (2012) Psychiatry Res **30**, 214-9.

**Interventions exist (collaboration, relationships, peers, control)**

Schrank B et al (2012) Social Science and Medicine, **74**, 554-564.

# BMJ Open The promise of recovery: narratives of hope among homeless individuals with mental illness participating in a Housing First randomised controlled trial in Toronto, Canada

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## ABSTRACT

**Objectives:** Hope is widely embraced as an important factor in the recovery process. The role of housing in inspiring hope and facilitating recovery has been explored with homeless populations but is not well understood. This study explores perspectives on hopes for recovery and the role of housing on these hopes from the perspective of homeless adults experiencing mental illness participating in a multisite Housing First randomised controlled trial in Canada. The study draws on data from in-depth qualitative interviews with participants from the Toronto, Ontario site of the 'At Home/Chez Soi' Project.

**Design:** In-depth interviews were conducted with a subsample of participants from a larger Housing First randomised controlled trial.

**Setting:** The research took place in Toronto, Canada.

## Strengths and limitations of this study

- Limitations of the study include that these findings reflect the experiences of individuals experiencing homelessness and mental health issues at one point in time.
- Findings emerged from a large sample embedded within a larger randomised controlled trial. Findings contribute to existing research in this area by highlighting that housing can activate the mechanism of hope, through which recovery for individuals experiencing homelessness and mental illness can be pursued.
- The study has emphasised that given the important role of hope, Housing First and other housing programmes need to explicitly integrate hope-inspiring, recovery-oriented approaches.

2014

*Housing is an integral factor that can facilitate hope and support dimensions of recovery*

# Identity



# The problem of permanence

1. Who judges it?
2. It encourages giving up – consumers and workers
3. It makes stigma worse
4. It takes away hope
5. It reduces the chance to live well outside services
6. It maintains a world-view of mental health experiences as a problem to get rid of







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# Inclusivity Strategy

## 2016–2018

*'Civilisation is the process in which one gradually increases the number of people included in the term "we" or "us" and at the same time decreases those labelled "you" or "them" until that category has no one left in it.'* (Howard Winters)



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# NATIONAL FINAL REPORT

## Cross-Site At Home/Chez Soi Project



Mental Health  
Commission  
of Canada

Commission de  
la santé mentale  
du Canada

www.mentalhealthcommission.ca

2014

Research

### Original Investigation

## Effect of Scattered-Site Housing Using Rent Supplements and Intensive Case Management on Housing Stability Among Homeless Adults With Mental Illness: A Randomized Trial

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**IMPORTANCE** Scattered-site housing with Intensive Case Management (ICM) may be an appropriate and less-costly option for homeless adults with mental illness who do not require the treatment intensity of Assertive Community Treatment.

**OBJECTIVE** To examine the effect of scattered-site housing with ICM services on housing stability and generic quality of life among homeless adults with mental illness and moderate support needs for mental health services.

**DESIGN, SETTING, AND PARTICIPANTS** The At Home/Chez Soi project was an unblinded, randomized trial. From October 2009 to July 2011, participants (N = 1198) were recruited in 4 Canadian cities (Vancouver, Winnipeg, Toronto, and Montreal), randomized to the intervention group (n = 689) or usual care group (n = 509), and followed up for 24 months.

**INTERVENTIONS** The intervention consisted of scattered-site housing (using rent supplements) and off-site ICM services. The usual care group had access to existing housing and support services in their communities.

**MAIN OUTCOMES AND MEASURES** The primary outcome was the percentage of days stably housed during the 24-month period following randomization. The secondary outcome was generic quality of life, assessed by a EuroQol-5 Dimensions (EQ-5D) health questionnaire.

**RESULTS** During the 24 months after randomization, the adjusted percentage of days stably housed was higher among the intervention group than the usual care group, although adjusted mean differences varied across sites.

| Study City | Adjusted % (No. of Days Stably Housed/No. of Days With Housing Data) |                    | Adjusted Mean Difference, % (95% CI) |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
|            | Intervention Group   | Usual Care Group   |                                      |
| A          | 62.7 (417.3/683.0)   | 29.7 (189.2/621.6) | 33.0 (26.2–39.8)                     |
| B          | 73.2 (491.5/653.4)   | 23.6 (157.0/606.8) | 49.5 (41.1–58.0)                     |
| C          | 74.4 (506.7/658.1)   | 38.8 (255.2/626.2) | 35.6 (29.4–41.8)                     |
| D          | 77.2 (520.4/651.5)   | 31.8 (223.1/649.1) | 45.3 (38.2–52.5)                     |

The mean change in EQ-5D score from baseline to 24 months among the intervention group was not statistically different from the usual care group (60.5 [95% CI, 58.6 to 62.5] at baseline and 67.2 [95% CI, 65.2 to 69.1] at 24 months for the intervention group vs 62.1 [95% CI, 59.9 to 64.4] at baseline and 68.6 [95% CI, 66.3 to 71.0] at 24 months for the usual care group, difference in mean changes, 0.10 [95% CI, −2.92 to 3.13], P = .95).

**CONCLUSIONS AND RELEVANCE** Among homeless adults with mental illness in 4 Canadian cities, scattered site housing with ICM services compared with usual access to existing housing and community services resulted in increased housing stability over 24 months, but did not improve generic quality of life.

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# 24-month outcome (n=1,198)

Scattered-site housing, rent supplements, ICM

% days stably housed

| City | HF/CS | no HF/CS |
|------|-------|----------|
| A    | 63    | 30       |
| B    | 73    | 24       |
| C    | 74    | 39       |
| D    | 77    | 32       |

Stergiopoulos V et al (2016) *Effect of scattered-site housing...*,  
JAMA, **313**, 905-915.

# Meaning

# Mental health as a source of meaning

*Survivor testimony indicates that the process of surviving mental health challenges – including psychosis – can ultimately be transformative, enriching and a source of personal and social growth*

Slade M, Longden E (2015) *The empirical evidence about mental health and recovery*, MI Fellowship: Victoria.

For example

- Post-traumatic growth
- Heightened capacity e.g. political engagement, creativity, fortitude, compassion, self-knowledge
- Survivor mission

# REFOCUS Intervention

## **Support for personally defined recovery**

1. Understanding values & treatment preferences
2. Assessing and amplifying strengths
3. Supporting goal-striving

## **Working relationship**

Coaching

# Pragmatic cluster RCT

27 teams – 14 intervention, 13 control

## **Outcome evaluation**

403 consumers, 532 staff

## **Process evaluation**

37 consumers, 52 staff

## **Casenote audit**

950 consumers x 7 time points

# Supporting recovery in patients with psychosis through care by community-based adult mental health teams (REFOCUS): a multisite, cluster, randomised, controlled trial



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## Summary

**Background** Mental health policy in many countries is oriented around recovery, but the evidence base for service-level recovery-promotion interventions is lacking.

**Methods** We did a cluster, randomised, controlled trial in two National Health Service Trusts in England. REFOCUS is a 1-year team-level intervention targeting staff behaviour to increase focus on values, preferences, strengths, and goals of patients with psychosis, and staff-patient relationships, through coaching and partnership. Between April, 2011, and May, 2012, community-based adult mental health teams were randomly allocated to provide usual treatment plus REFOCUS or usual treatment alone (control). Baseline and 1-year follow-up outcomes were assessed in randomly selected patients. The primary outcome was recovery and was assessed with the Questionnaire about Processes of Recovery (QPR). We also calculated overall service costs. We used multiple imputation to estimate missing data, and the imputation model captured clustering at the team level. Analysis was by intention to treat. This trial is registered, number ISRCTN02507940.

**Findings** 14 teams were included in the REFOCUS group and 13 in the control group. Outcomes were assessed in 403 patients (88% of the target sample) at baseline and in 297 at 1 year. Mean QPR total scores did not differ between the two groups (REFOCUS group 40·6 [SD 10·1] vs control 40·0 [10·2], adjusted difference 0·68, 95% CI -1·7 to 3·1,  $p=0·58$ ). High team participation was associated with higher staff-rated scores for recovery-promotion behaviour change (adjusted difference -0·4, 95% CI -0·7 to -0·2,  $p=0·001$ ) and patient-rated QPR interpersonal scores (-1·6, -2·7 to -0·5,  $p=0·005$ ) at follow-up than low participation. Patients treated in the REFOCUS group incurred £1062 (95% CI -1103 to 3017) lower adjusted costs than those in the control group.

**Interpretation** Although the primary endpoint was negative, supporting recovery might, from the staff perspective, improve functioning and reduce needs. Implementation of REFOCUS could increase staff recovery-promotion behaviours and improve patient-rated recovery.

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# Empowerment









# 100 ways to support recovery.

A guide for mental health professionals  
by Mike Slade

SECOND EDITION

Slade M (2013) *100 ways to support recovery*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition,  
London: Rethink Mental Illness

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