# Becoming an IRACS-Ready Community

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# **Learning Objectives**

- Attendees will be able to identify the five (5) infrastructure steps necessary to develop "readiness" to implement an IRACS program.
- Attendees will have an improved understanding of the necessity for readiness standards.
- Attendees will have an improved understanding of how to implement an IRACS program in their community



# **IRACS: Rethink Reentry**

## Reentry Begins at Day One!

There are seven (7) IRACS priorities for those facing reentry from Indiana Jails:

- Priority 1- Early Intake Support
- Priority 2- Integrated Pretrial & Community Collaboration
- Priority 3- Ongoing 1-on-1 and Group Support while incarcerated
- Priority 4- Comprehensive Jail-based Treatment Support
- Priority 5- Reentry, Recovery and Crisis Planning
- Priority 6- Transitional Peer Support
- Priority 7 Ongoing 1-on-1 Peer Support



## **IRACS** Readiness: Why is it important?

## **IRACS Readiness Components:**

- Are foundational for program function & successful support of participants
- Integrate community collaboration, communication and coordination around IRACS program dynamics
- Distinguish capacity for systems to partner with people with previous justice involvement
- Identify capacity for development of key Sequential Intercept Model Intercepts into system function to support IRACS
- Identify safety dynamics necessary for IRACS program teams
- Identify community investment and leadership support for recovery concepts



# **Establishing Foundations: Readiness**

### **Indiana Regional Recovery Hubs**



## **IRACS Readiness Components**

- Sheriff Willingness to lead IRACS, oversight and house program
- County/City Leadership that is recovery focused and willing to invest in the program
- Criminal Justice partners willing to invest in Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) collaboration & develop procedures
- Recovery Community Organizations with established criminal justice collaborations currently providing community-based support & access
- Recovery Supportive Community: All local providers and systems willing to partner with people with past justice-involvement and lived-experience



## **IRACS** Readiness: Panel Discussion

## **Readiness Topics:**

- Core Components
  - Certified Peer Professionals Partnering
  - No Wrong Door Access
- IRACS Process and Procedure
  - Integrating IRACS into Systems
  - Safety and Partnership
- Collaboration and Support
  - Leadership/Buy-in
  - Community Collaborations Integration



# Readiness Surveys: How does it work?

- 1. Communities interested in learning more about IRACS can go to <a href="www.rethinkreentry.org">www.rethinkreentry.org</a> and fill out the "Get Started" form to request more information.
- 2. Indiana Forensic Services-MHAI will reach out to share information and setup initial meeting(s) with community contact(s)
- 3. IFS provides Readiness Surveys for IRACS through a series of community collaboration meetings with all necessary system providers
- 4. IFS will share readiness survey results and budgets with community leaders and feedback from survey





## **IRACS Success Stories**





## Thank You!!!

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