

SCHIZOPHRENIA Factsheet

What is supported housing?

Support housing services may include group homes, hostels, therapeutic communities, or supported independent tenancies, and incorporate availability of outreach care workers who visit or who are located on-site. These programs are designed to support people with severe mental disorders such as schizophrenia living in the community, who are not living with family or in residential care, in order to increase independence, quality of life, and achieve greater social and community functioning.

What is the evidence for supported housing?

Low quality evidence is unclear as to the benefit of supported housing for improving outcomes for people with schizophrenia and substance misuse.

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NeuRA (Neuroscience Research Australia) is one of the largest independent medical and clinical research institutes in Australia and an international leader in neurological research.

Diseases of the brain and nervous system pose the greatest health, economic and social burden of any disease group because they are chronic, debilitating and have no known cures.

Medical research is the cornerstone of efforts to advance the health and wellbeing of families and the community. Our dedicated scientists are focussed on transforming their research into significant and practical benefits for all patients.

While we hope you find this information useful, it is always important to discuss any questions about schizophrenia or its treatment with your doctor or other health care provider.

For further information see the technical table

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