

Housing Supports for Offenders Returning to the Community

Program description:

This set of studies evaluated the effects of providing housing supports and case management to offenders at risk of homeless upon re-entry into the community. We excluded halfway houses where offenders were technically in the custody of the state.

Typical age of primary program participant: 35

Typical age of secondary program participant: N/A

Meta-Analysis of Program Effects

Outcomes Measured	Primary or Secondary Participant	No. of Effect Sizes	Unadjusted Effect Sizes (Random Effects Model)			Adjusted Effect Sizes and Standard Errors Used in the Benefit-Cost Analysis					
			ES	SE	p-value	First time ES is estimated			Second time ES is estimated		
						ES	SE	Age	ES	SE	Age
Crime	P	5	-0.03	0.06	-0.38	-0.03	0.06	37	-0.03	0.06	47

Benefits and costs were not estimated for housing programs.

Discount Rates Applied to the Meta-Analysis

Type of Discount	Discount Rate
1- Less well-implemented comparison group or observational study, with some covariates.	0.5
2- Well-implemented comparison group design, often with many statistical controls.	0.5
3- Well-done observational study with many statistical controls (e.g., IV, regression discontinuity).	0.75
4- Random assignment, with some RA implementation issues.	0.75
5- Well-done random assignment study.	1.00
Program developer = researcher	0.5
Unusual (not "real world") setting	0.5
Weak measurement used	0.5

Custom discount rates description goes here (if using discount rates this would be blank)

Studies Used in the Meta-Analysis

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