Justice-Involved Individuals and Evidence-Based Mental Health Practices (EBP)

We reviewed literature, identified evidence-based mental health practices, and surveyed their use among justice-involved populations (in community or jail) across U.S. counties.

Each EBP was only offered in 22–43% of U.S. counties.

These programs improve mental health and help keep people out of jail. Check whether your county has each program and how many people it can serve.

Examples Below



Intensice Case Management (FICM) for mental illness

Justice-Involved Individuals and Diagnosis-Specific Mental Health Treatments

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Mood stabilizes for bipolar disorder or mania	39.7%	Family Education about schizophrenia or psychosis	30%
Cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) for depression or Behavioral Activations for depression	37.9%	The Safety Planning Intervention for suicide prevention	30%
Cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) for PTSD or cognitive processing therapy for PTSD	36%	Family Education about bipolar disorder or family treatment for bipolar disorder	29.3%
Education about bipolar disorder and its treatment (>1 session)	35.8%	Dialectical behavioral therapy (DBT) for borderline personality disorder or suicide prevention	28.8%
SSRIs or tricyclic antidepressants for anxiety	35.7%	Seeking Safety for PTSD	27.9%
Cognitive behavior therapy (CBT) for suicide prevention	34.6%	First generation antipsychotic medications	27.9%
Cognitive behavioral therapy	34.4%	Second generation antipsychotic medications	26.9%
(CBT) for psychosis Exposure therapies or cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) for anxiety		Any group or individual counseling for insomnia	26.8%
	34.2%	Interpersonal Psychotherapy (IPT) for depression	24.1%
SSRIs or tricyclic antidepressants for PTSD	32.8%	Any group or individual counseling for physical pain	22.8%
Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors for depression	30.4%	Prolonged exposure for PTSD	22.5%