



Managing Intoxication In Shared Spaces: Approaches in Emergency Shelter and PSH

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+ Why this Presentation?



+ Why the Resistance?

- **Medical risks**
- **Anti-social behaviors**



+ Debunking Myths



MYTH: Permitting intoxication increases medical risks like overdose.

FACT: Bringing intoxication into the open can *reduce* medical risks.

MYTH: Permitting intoxication means having no rules about behavior.

FACT: Rules about behavior can be separate from rules about intoxication.

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Medical Risks:

- Nursing Services
- Welfare Checks
- Harm Reduction supplies
- Alcohol monitoring

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Anti-Social Behaviors:

- 24-hour staffing
- Wheelchairs
- Care team integration
- Meaningful activities
- Unit Design



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Medical Risks:

- 24-hour staffing
- On-site nursing staff
- Naloxone
- No doors on bathroom/shower stalls
- Sharps containers



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Anti-Social Behaviors:

- Bar Review and “R4R” processes
- Minimal set of guest expectations (rules)
- Sharps containers
- On-site case management and coordination with client care teams

+ Questions and Case Consult



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