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Implementing CAPABLE in permanent supportive housing; Supporting Aging in Place through evidence-based interventions

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Los Angeles County



*California makes up over 30% of the overall homeless population in the U.S. and over 50% of the unsheltered population



PIT Estimates



Chronic homelessness: A cohort phenomenon





Source: Culhane et al. (2013)/ U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census Special Tabulation



Point-in-Time Count: Older Adult Homelessness



Unsheltered and Sheltered Adults; 2018 – 2023*



* Due to COVID-19 a PIT count was not conducted in 2021.





Prevalence of Geriatric Syndromes in PSH



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Community Aging in Place--Advancing Better Living for Elders (CAPABLE)



- Occupational Therapist
- Nurse
- Handyman

- Approved by the National Council on Aging as an evidencebased falls prevention program
- Reduced difficulties in ADLs (3.9 vs 2 out of 8)
- Reduced depression
- Increased motivation
- Time limited (6 months)
- CAPABLE is being offered across 21 states, in Canada & Australia

*Randomized Controlled Pilot Study conducted 2020-2022 (N=60)



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Next steps....



- Partnering with LAC Department of Health Services to discuss the use of CAPABLE and what other intervention are needed to support complex care management.
- Submitted a grant to the National Institute on Aging to conduct a full-blown RCT. If funded,
 - Will pay for over 300 tenants to receive CAPABLE
 - Will look at clinical outcomes and cost-effectiveness
- Begin discussion about sustained funding for CAPABLE and aging services in PSH.



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