

INFORMATION ABOUT HOMELESSNESS FOR POLICE FORCES IN THE CONTEXT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



DIFFICULTY TO COMPLY WITH CONFINEMENT

People experiencing homelessness do not breach confinement because they want to. "Staying Home" is not an option for them.

NEED FOR A SPECIFIC INTERVENTION APPROACH

They may have mental health problems, addictions, language barriers or trauma, which requires an intervention approach that considers these characteristics.



INTER-AGENCY COOPERATION

Interventions must be carried out in collaboration and coordination between the police and psychosocial professionals.

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS REMAIN IN FORCE

Fundamental rights remain in force, especially their right to dignity.



CONVINCE AND AVOID COERCITIVE MEASURES

People experiencing homelessness need to be persuaded to go to accommodation services without using coercive measures.

FACILITATE HEALTH MONITORING

If it is not possible to convince a person to go to a centre or there are no places available, transfer the information to the social services so they can do their health monitoring.



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