Transforming Lives Through Employment: SAMHSA’s Supported Employment Grant Program (SEP)

Individual Placement & Supported Employment Program (AL-IPSSEP)

Alabama

Implementation Sites: AltaPointe Health Systems, Inc. (Mobile County, urban) & Chilton-Shelby Mental Health Center (Shelby & Chilton Counties, rural)

Special Population Focus: Veterans

Project Director: Jessica Hales, AL DMH, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Division

Description of Peer Involvement: Implementation teams (three IPS Supported Employment Specialists); peer representation on SECC and local Steering Committees

Prior History of IPS in State: None

Service Goals: 450 total
**SEP PURPOSE**

To enhance state and community capacity to provide and expand evidence-based SEPs (such as the Individual Placement and Support [IPS] model) to adults with serious mental illnesses, including persons with co-occurring mental and substance use disorders.

### ALABAMA'S SEP GRANT IMPLEMENTATION SITES

- **Chilton Shelby Mental Health Center**
  - Shelby & Chilton County
- **AltaPointe Health Systems**
  - Mobile County

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#### ALTAPOINTE HEALTH SYSTEMS

- IPS service provision start date: **Oct. 1, 2015**
- Participants enrolled: **75**
- Number of job starts: **13**
- Percentage of job starts that are continuously employed for **30 days**: **85%**
- Percentage of job starts that are continuously employed for **60 days**: **69%**
- Percentage of job starts that are continuously employed for **90 days**: **77%**

#### CHILTON SHELBY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

- IPS service provision start date: **Oct. 1, 2015**
- Participants enrolled: **101**
- Number of job starts: **53**
- Percentage of job starts that are continuously employed for **30 days**: **75%**
- Percentage of job starts that are continuously employed for **60 days**: **52%**
- Percentage of job starts that are continuously employed for **90 days**: **64%**

For more information on the SEP, visit the GAINS Center website: [https://www.samhsa.gov/gains-center](https://www.samhsa.gov/gains-center)