

Data-sharing for Improving Access to Housing Services

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Governance, Riverside County**

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AGENDA

- Brief background
- Update: IEHP's housing initiative
- Data-sharing: existing county databases, IEHP
- Time for questions and discussion

BACKGROUND

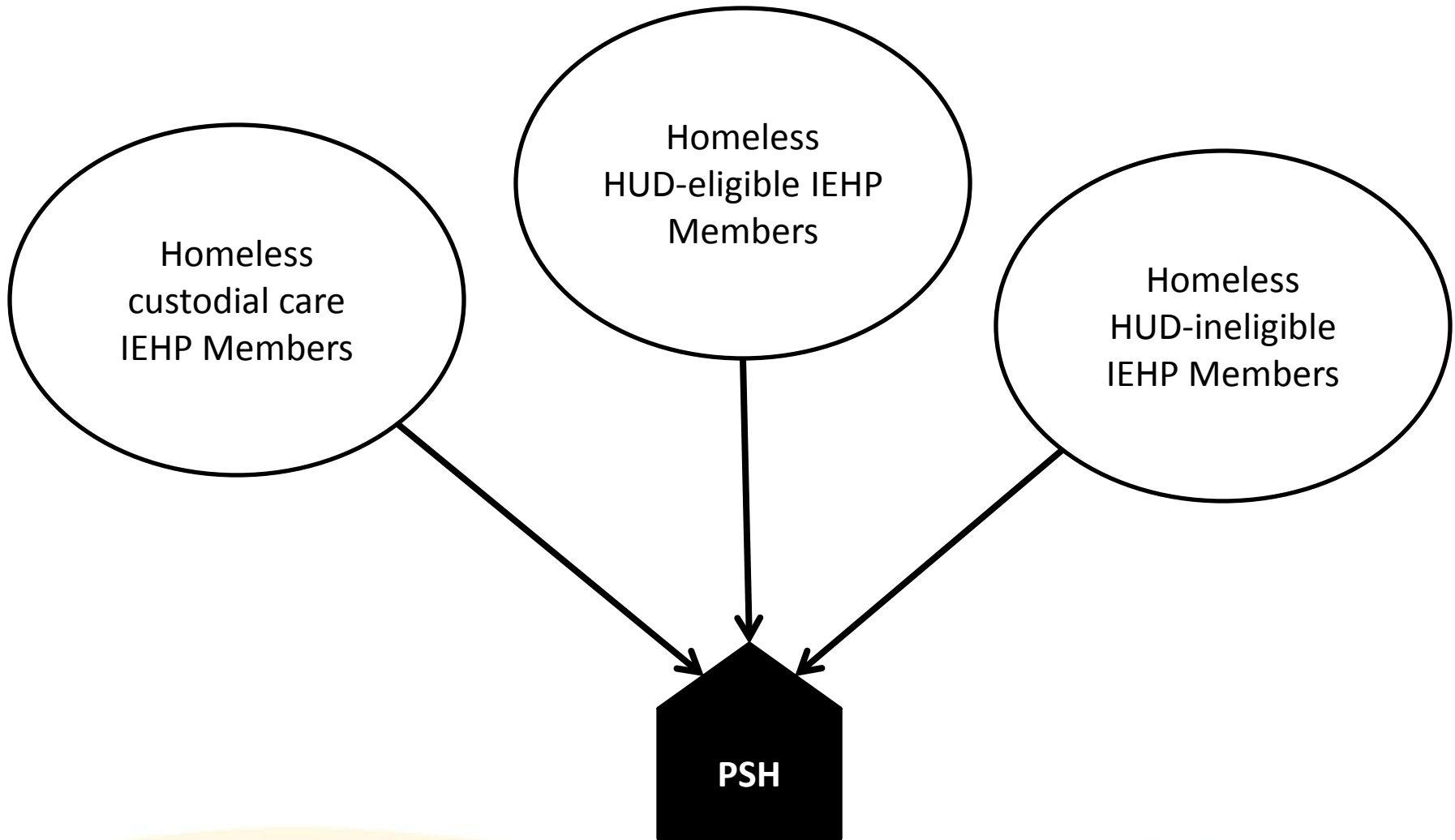
- Over 2,000 sheltered and unsheltered homeless at any point in time in Riverside County (2016)
- Homeless/unstably housed individuals suffer from chronic health conditions and may be high utilizers of care
 - Most individuals qualify for/are enrolled in Medicaid

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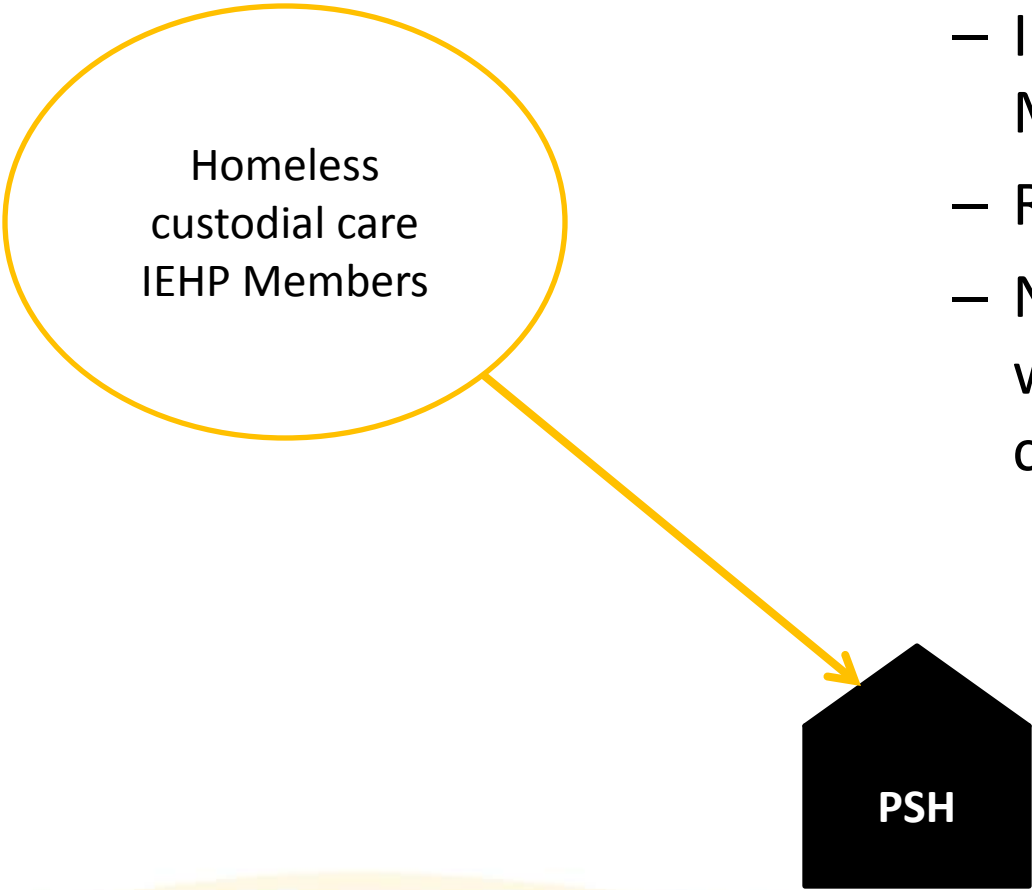
- **Permanent supportive housing (PSH):** permanent housing with indefinite leasing or rental assistance paired with supportive services
 - Definitively associated with improved health
 - Promising findings regarding decreased medical and social services costs

- **IEHP Housing Initiative**
 - Funds for PSH for IEHP Members across Riverside and San Bernardino Counties
 - Focus on vulnerable Members with high levels of health care use
 - Challenge: **identification of eligible Members**

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Homeless
custodial care
IEHP Members

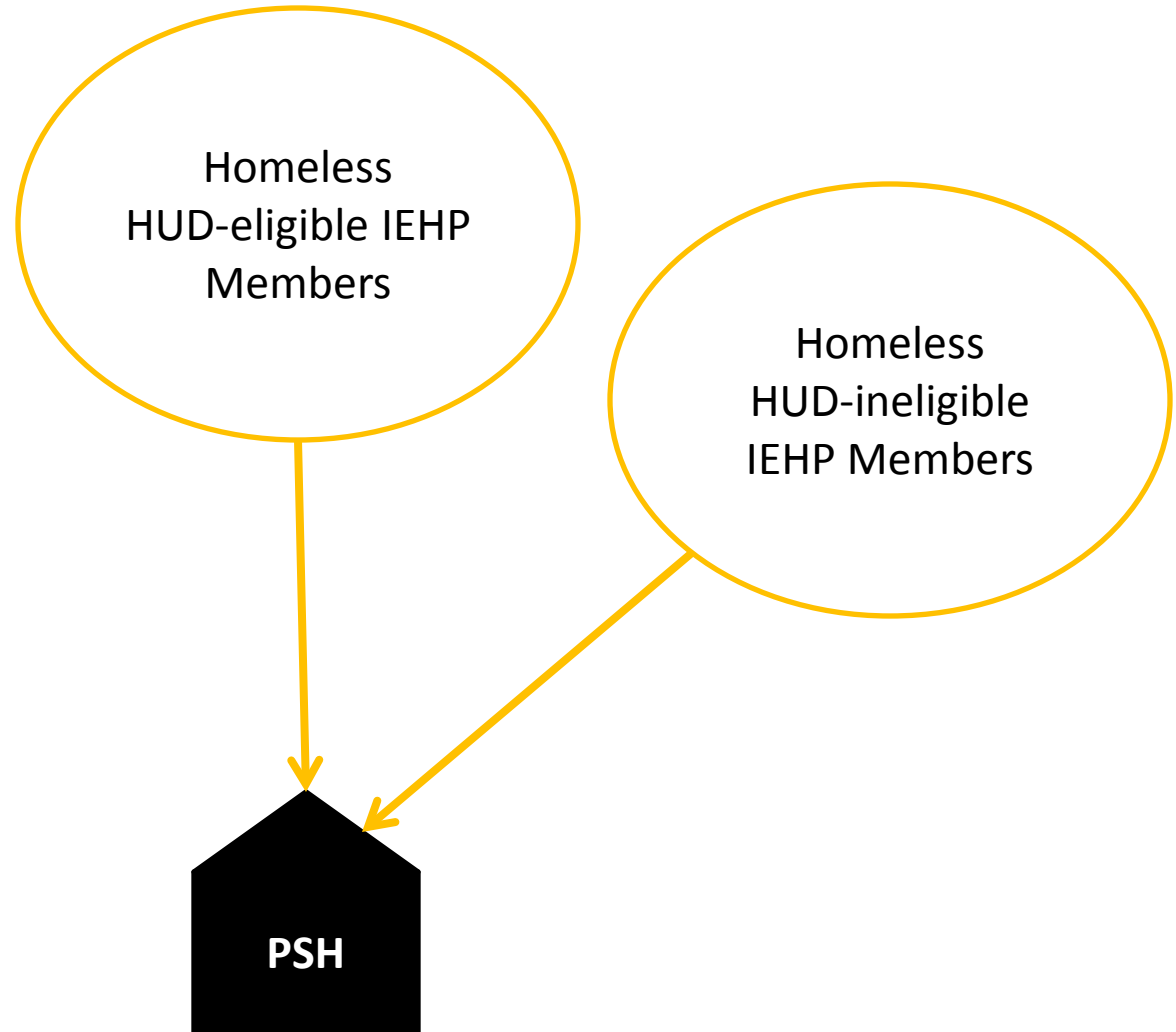
- **Member identification**
 - Internal, using IEHP Member and claims data
 - Relatively straightforward
 - Next steps: confirming wish for community-based care

PSH

IEHP HOUSING INITIATIVE

- **Member identification**

- IEHP claims data is limited (no “codes” for housing status)
- External partners (e.g., CES, law enforcement, CBOs) may have meaningful data to cross-reference



DATA-SHARING

- Proposal to explore formal processes for data-sharing regarding homeless community members to support PSH
 - Considerations:
 - Identify and leverage existing resources
 - Structure of agreements (e.g., MOUs)
 - Data security (e.g., IEHP secure file transfer protocol)
 - Openness to including/creating paths for other PSH initiatives beyond IEHP's

NEXT STEPS

- Open discussions
- Questions