

Specialist employment support, provided in partnership with the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, to help people with mental health challenges access and retain paid work.



Work and Wellbeing Employment Service (Sussex-wide)

1499 people received support from our team of Employment Specialists to secure or maintain work

382 people who received support secured paid employment



Our Supported Employment service follows the evidence-based Individual Placement Support (IPS) approach and works in partnership with the Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.

We are the largest provider of IPS Supported Employment in the UK and are recognised by the Centre for Mental Health as an IPS Centre of Excellence.



Our approach brings all parties together to ensure the client gets a job that suits their needs and the employer gains or retains an employee that can work effectively and contribute to the business.

Over the year, the service has supported clients to access a wide range of jobs in a variety of sectors including: administrative and support services, retail, education and technical services.

44% of people supported achieved an outcome of securing new paid employment; retaining an existing job; a volunteering role, or an educational course.

Over the past year, the service has been a key partner to support NHS England's pledge to double access to IPS across the UK by 2020/21.

Find out more

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