



The NOUS Accommodation Service is a transitional program which provides support to individuals who are of Greek or other culturally/linguistically diverse backgrounds with a Mental Illness, who need temporary accommodation:

Eligibility

- Have no other suitable independent accommodation
- Meet Department of Housing Income Eligibility Criteria and have or be in the process of obtaining a T-Number from them
- Have a diagnosed Mental Illness and aged between 18 and 60 years of age
- Be stable and medication compliant
- Be free from dependency of alcohol
- Be free from dependency and use of illicit (non-prescribed) drugs
- Demonstrate sufficient independent living skills to live in a house with minimal support
- No history of inappropriate sexual, violent and/or anti-social behaviours
- Agree to work with the NOUS Support Worker to develop an Individual Recovery Plan and develop an ongoing relationship to support the progress of the developed plan. This includes always providing up-to-date contact information to the NOUS program
- Able to pay a \$30 fortnightly fee and allow NOUS Support Worker regular access to the accommodation to provide support required as agreed in the ISP
- Accept and work with the allocated Case Manager from the local Mental Health Service and/or a private psychiatrist and make use of the acute services when in crisis
- Acknowledge that the accommodation is transitional and be prepared to vacate accommodation within or at the end of agreed lease

Limitations that may result in ineligibility include:

- Applicants who are under the age of 18
- Applicants not willing to apply for a T-number
- Applicants who cannot provide informed consent to NOUS to participate
- Applicants with dual diagnosis of Mental illness and drug and alcohol who are unwilling to address addiction
- Applicants who have a dual diagnosis, where the mental illness is not the primary issue impacting on their functioning