

PROGRAM/ISSUE AREA MATRIX	LEAD
CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS	KATHRYN POWER; WESTLEY CLARK
SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT CAPACITY	WESTLEY CLARK
SECLUSION AND RESTRAINT	KATHRYN POWER
STRATEGIC PREVENTION FRAMEWORK	BEVERLY WATTS DAVIS
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES	SYBIL GOLDMAN
MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION	KATHRYN POWER
DISASTER READINESS AND RESPONSE	DARYL KADE
HOMELESSNESS	GAIL HUTCHINGS
AGING	DARYL KADE
HIV/AIDS AND HEPATITIS	BEVERLY WATTS DAVIS
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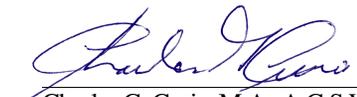


TO BRING GREATER FOCUS to the work of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and in the spirit of one U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), I have engaged in an ongoing dialogue to help shape this Agency's direction and priorities for the immediate and longer-term future. The insight and input of the members of SAMHSA's National Advisory Councils, constituents, staff, and other stakeholders in the mission and vision of the Agency have helped me understand not only where SAMHSA has been going, but also where it should be going.

THE PRODUCT IS A MATRIX that visually depicts SAMHSA's priority programs and the cross-cutting principles that will guide program, policy, and resource allocation for the Agency. It is based on an underlying principle that people of all ages, with or at risk for mental or substance use disorders, should have the opportunity for a fulfilling life that includes an education, a job, a home, and meaningful relationships with family and friends. It also is founded on a vision for the work of SAMHSA that promotes "a life in the community for everyone" by building resilience and facilitating recovery.

THE MATRIX IS AN EVOLVING TOOL that highlights SAMHSA priorities; it will not preclude activities targeting other emerging issues. However, it does reflect both HHS Departmental priorities and a public health approach to mental health services, substance abuse prevention, and addiction treatment.

With the matrix as a guide to policy and program, together, we can achieve that vision.


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SAMHSA Priorities: Programs & Principles Matrix

Cross-Cutting Principles

Programs/Issues

- Science to Services/ Evidence-Based Practices
- Data for Performance Measurement and Management
- Collaboration with Public & Private Partners
- Recovery/Reducing Stigma & Barriers to Services
- Cultural Competency/ Eliminating Disparities
- Community and Faith-Based Approaches
- Trauma & Violence (e.g. Physical & Sexual Abuse)
- Financing Strategies & Cost-effectiveness
- Rural & Other Specific Settings
- Workforce Development

Co-Occurring Disorders									
Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity									
Seclusion & Restraint									
Strategic Prevention Framework									
Children & Families									
Mental Health System Transformation									
Disaster Readiness and Response									
Homelessness									
Aging									
HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis									
Criminal Justice									

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