



Serious Mental Illness Initiative Current Partnerships and Grants

- **Alabama Coalition for a Healthier Black Belt: \$2,465,553** in grants have been provided to the coalition partners to reduce stigma and mobilize target communities to engage in the care and support of people living with serious mental illness; to conduct pilots for telemedicine in order to increase access to psychiatric expertise in rural communities; and to build capacity for integrated mental health and primary care services
- **American Health Initiative, Ltd.: \$350,000** to support the development and piloting of a Senior Health Corps to increase mental health services at primary care focused federally qualified health centers in Florida
- **Boston Medical Center: \$497,765** to develop, implement, and evaluate a demonstration program using peer specialist navigators to assist with the coordination of primary and mental health services of consumers
- **Capital Health Foundation/Henry J Austin Community Health Center: \$318,000** in grants aimed at helping expand mental health services for disadvantaged populations in Trenton, New Jersey, by co-locating a psychiatrist from a private hospital at a federally qualified health center to provide direct care and clinical mentoring and by providing didactic and Grand Rounds education to primary care providers on staff and in the Trenton area
- **Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Center: \$666,323** to support the adaptation of an electronic decision support system (EDSS) for smoking cessation to meet the needs of African American and Latino smokers with serious mental illness
- **Family and Youth Counseling Agency in partnership with Louisiana Office of Mental Health, Office of Addictive Disorders and NAMI Southwest Louisiana: \$749,744** to provide screening, assessment, treatment, supportive services and program evaluation for mothers experiencing depression and other mental illness in the Region V area of Louisiana by working with primary care, ob/gyn and mental health service providers
- **Mental Health America: \$750,000** to support a program to train and mobilize peer specialists from Native American tribal communities and to educate and engage tribal leaders in destigmatization actions in 5 western states
- **The Center for Primary Care at Morehouse School of Medicine: \$102,000** to support a Learning & Sharing Conference and Leadership Skills Workshop for Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation grantees and community mental health workers
- **NAMI Alabama in partnership with Cahaba Mental Health Center and West Alabama Mental Health Center: \$97,005** to support a faith leaders summit and other training and outreach efforts targeting African American churches to strengthen their capacity to become mental health recovery and referral resources for their congregations and communities

- **NAMI Georgia/Emory University in partnership with the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health: \$2,000,000** to support a demonstration project called *Opening Doors to Recovery in Southeast Georgia* that will develop, implement and evaluate a community-based case management service to reduce the recidivism among consumers being discharged from Savannah Regional Hospital. The State of Georgia is co-investing \$2 million in the project as well.
- **National Council for Community Behavioral Health Care: \$739,170** to develop a replicable intervention model for effective services focused on illness management, recovery and supported employment for transition-aged youth (18-26 years old) living with serious mental illness
- **New Jersey Mental Health Institute: \$749,765** to support a program to increase the availability of, access to, and the provision of quality culturally and linguistically competent behavioral health care to Hispanics with Limited English Proficiency
- **New York State Office of Mental Health Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene: \$1,943,675** to develop, implement and evaluate a model for consumers to graduate and step down from an intensive Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) care model to supported self management
- **Women In Government: \$385,000** in funding has been provided to date to 1) convene a Mental Health Task Force, 2) educate state legislators about mental health issues at WIG regional meetings, and 3) create a legislative toolkit for serious mental illness

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