Overarching Tenets of DMHAS Recovery Initiative

- There are multiple viewpoints on recovery. This initiative respects the viewpoints of all stakeholders (people in recovery, families, providers, advocates, policy makers) and establishes a broad vision that allows for, and integrates, these various perspectives.
- Recognizing that meaningful systemic change requires a broad base of participation, this initiative involves a consensus development process that will necessarily evolve over time as we, collectively, learn more about what is involved in offering recovery-oriented care.
- Recovery has been promoted as a fundamental goal of behavioral healthcare for many years. This initiative explicitly acknowledges the valuable contributions of many individuals and groups who have championed the cause of recovery over that time. We are indebted to the efforts of people in recovery and providers alike, and hope to build on their experiences and successes to promote systems change.
- Highlighting their direct impact on the lives of clients through the vehicle of individualized recovery planning, this initiative provides a holistic framework for integration of various other DMHAS initiatives, including evidence-based practices, trauma-sensitive care, cultural competence, and integrated treatment for co-occurring disorders.