

## AMHSA Priority Issues from May 6, 2009 Meeting

| Issue |  | #<br>Votes |
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| 1.    | Address treatment needs for the poor and uninsured   | 8          |
| 2.    | Get people with mental illness and addictions out of prisons and jails   | 8          |
| 3.    | Increase housing options for people with mental health and A&D issues  | 7          |
| 4.    | Increase peer advocates  | 5          |
| 5.    | Socialization drop-in centers – need more than one place to drop in  | 4          |
| 6.    | Merged A&D/mental health funding   | 3          |
| 7.    | Change hiring process to be more inclusive   | 2          |
| 8.    | Assist people with self-sufficiency supports to get out of the “systems”   | 2          |
| 9.    | Disaster/emergency preparation for those with mental health issues   | 2          |
| 10.   | Alternative medical models for those resisting conventional models   | 2          |
| 11.   | Something between independent and dependent supports. Decrease red tape. More research on failures and successes of drop-in centers. | 1          |
| 12.   | Effective wrap-around: Early intervention supports that help people stay out of the system and avoid repeated periods of psychosis.  | 1          |
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