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Cross-Systems Collaborations: Catalysts for Transforming Behavioral Health

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Federal Partners Workgroup

Department of Health and Human Services

AoA	NIH/NIDA
ACF	NIH/NIMH
AHRQ	HHS/OS
CDC	- ASPE
CMS	- OCR
HRSA	- OD
IHS	- OPHS
	SAMHSA

Other Partners

Department of Agriculture
Department of Education
Department of Defense
Department of Housing and Urban Development
Department of Justice
Department of Labor
Department of Transportation
Department of Veterans Affairs
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Social Security Administration

Federal Executive Steering Committee

Special focus areas for FY 2006:

- Preventing suicide
- Integrating primary and mental health care
- Appropriately financing mental health care
- Ensuring employment opportunities
- Behavioral health response to disasters and emergencies

Areas in which work will continue:

- Accessing care and early intervention
- Transforming children and youth systems
- Providing consumer and family-driven (and youth-guided) care
- Collaborating with the criminal and juvenile justice system
- Providing adequate housing for homeless people with mental illnesses
- Implementing information technology
- Reducing stigma through public education
- Improving care through research
- Transforming State systems of care
- Creating and sustaining a viable mental health workforce

Lessons Learned

- **Change your expectations of what is possible, and act on those expectations.**
- **Have patience.**
- **Remain flexible.**
- **Speak to your prospective partners' agendas.**
- **Identify a non-mental health champion.**
- **Harness the power of a facilitated process.**





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*“We must trust and believe in
what we are doing
in order to signal to others
that the vision is worth investing in.”*

—from Deep Change
Robert E. Quinn

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