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From the Research and Training Center for Children's Mental Health, Tampa, Florida...

Just released! This Data Trends News brief alerts you to a revised matrix of SAMHSA program priorities and cross-cutting management principles.

(From the website) ...The new matrix includes suicide prevention and workforce development as major program priority areas for SAMHSA. Disaster readiness and response was moved from program priority to cross-cutting principle because it impacts all of the agency's operations. The cross-cutting principle on collaboration was modified to include an emphasis on international work, and the principle on reducing stigma was enhanced with a new focus on reducing discrimination

....SAMHSA's 12 program priority areas are: co-occurring disorders, substance abuse treatment capacity, seclusion and restraint, strategic prevention framework, children and families, mental health transformation, suicide prevention, homelessness, older adults, HIV/AIDS and hepatitis, criminal and juvenile justice and workforce development. Each priority area is assigned an agency lead who is responsible for developing a two year action plan and achieving the steps identified.

The cross cutting management principals include: science to services/evidence-based practices; data for performance measurement and management; collaboration with public, private, and international partners; reducing stigma and discrimination and other barriers to services; cultural competency/eliminating disparities; community and faith-based approaches; addressing trauma and violence; financing strategies and cost-effectiveness; rural and other specific settings; and disaster readiness and response.

Link to the new Matrix on the SAMHSA web site at:
http://www.samhsa.gov/Matrix/Matrix_Brochure_2006.pdf
see also: <http://www.samhsa.gov/matrix/>

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