

## **Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services State-Operated Recovery Liaisons Group**

Statement of Purpose – The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) is committed to fostering a recovery-oriented system of care. The department endorses a broad vision of recovery that involves a process of restoring or developing a positive and meaningful sense of identity apart from one's condition and then rebuilding a life despite or within the limitations imposed by that condition. Substantial resources have been assigned to promote a comprehensive recovery vision. In order to assure that our recovery efforts are responsive to the diverse needs of consumers and persons in recovery as well as the provider community, DMHAS is creating a State-Operated Recovery Liaisons Group. The committee will be comprised of representatives that are active in recovery initiatives within their facility and have credibility within the local consumer/person in recovery community. These representatives will advise OOC on a broad range of recovery related issues in order to assure that DMHAS successfully implements a recovery-oriented system of care.

1. Scope of Work – The Recovery Liaisons will:
  - a. Inform OOC about facility-specific recovery initiatives and communicate information to facility staff about broader system-wide recovery initiatives.
  - b. Assist in the development of a strategic plan to guide the state-operated recovery implementation.
  - c. Coordinate system-wide initiatives or implementations within the state-operated facility.
  - d. Participate on work groups that may be established in relation to the group's work.
  - e. Solicit input from consumers, persons in recovery, family members, and providers to determine community education and service needs as they relate to recovery.
  - f. Recommend recovery-oriented training and service initiatives based on identified state-operated needs.
  - g. Recommend potential recovery-oriented outcomes that can be used to evaluate progress of the system as it becomes increasingly focused on recovery.
  - h. Recommend and implement anti-stigma initiatives on a facility level that will promote recovery.