

## Innovation Round One Projects:

**Integrated Community Services:** The ICS pilot project provides outreach to the medical community to facilitate multi-directional services to fully integrate primary care, mental health and substance abuse services. The collaboration with community medical clinics and county mental health programs is a healthcare model that will prove to bridge the gaps in service for the underserved low-income community and increase better overall health outcomes for patients involved.

**Collective Solutions:** This 16-week program provides community-based supportive services to family members of individuals who have a mental illness. Collective Solutions assists families by teaching them how to manage crisis situations related to mental illness.

**Volunteer to Work:** This is a consumer-run program that utilizes trained peer specialists to facilitate the preparation and involvement of program participants in volunteer and paid jobs in the community.

**Acceptance through Compassionate Care, Empowerment, and Positive Transformation (OC ACCEPT):** This program provides community-based mental health and supportive services to individuals struggling with and/or identifying as LGBTIQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, or Questioning) and the important people in their lives. The project specializes in addressing issues that are common in the LGBTIQ community such as confusion, isolation, grief and loss, depression, anxiety, suicidal thoughts, self-medication with drugs, high risk behaviors, self-esteem challenges, victimization by bullying, trauma, homelessness, and lack of familial support.

**OC4VETS:** This unique collaborative model program uses existing community agencies with expertise in overcoming barriers to veterans obtaining behavioral health prevention, early intervention, or treatment.

**Community Cares:** This program strives to improve access to mental health services and decrease the negative effects of mild to moderate symptoms of depression and or anxiety. The project provides a referral-based system for individuals to receive short-term pro-bono mental health treatment by a multidisciplinary team of clinicians and peer specialists.

**Project Life Coach:** This program provides assessment and linkage to supportive employment services to individuals that have been diagnosed with a mental illness. The program utilizes an innovative approach to job searching, placement and retention, and linkage to mental health services in the ethnic communities.

**Training to Meet the Needs of the Deaf Community:** This program provides education on mental illness and recovery for members of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community, including consumers and family members. The goal is to enhance skills necessary to meet the mental health needs of that community.

**Brighter Futures:** This program provides community-based services to families with children who experience social, emotional, and behavioral health problems. The goal is to reduce isolation and form a supportive network with other families.