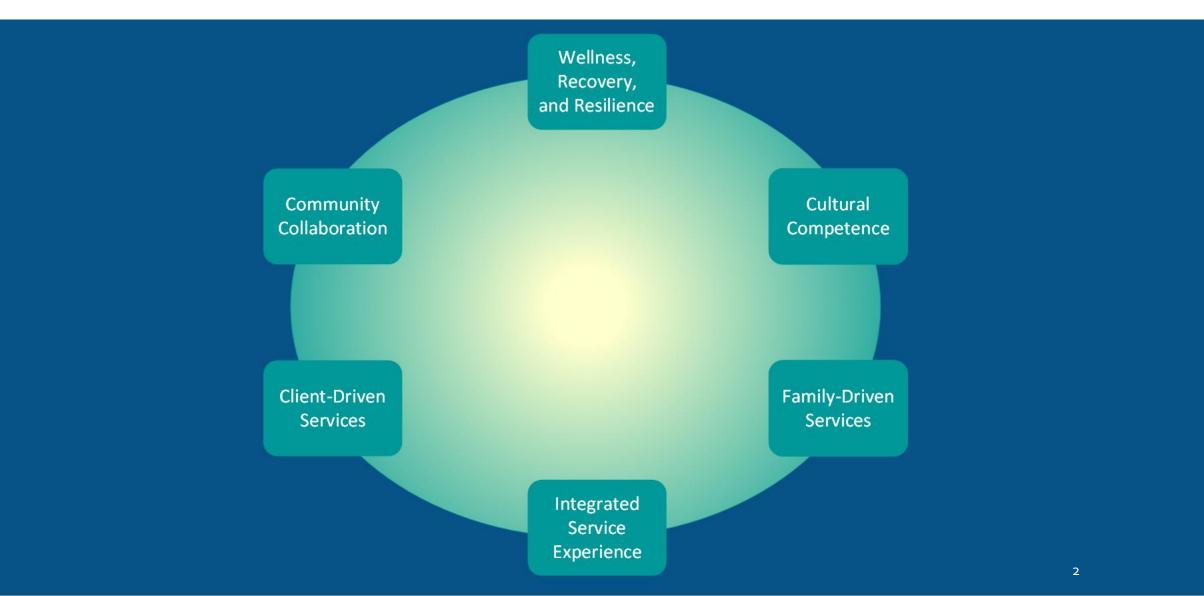


Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) MHSA Steering Committee October 20, 2022

MHSA VALUES / GENERAL STANDARDS



PREVENTION & EARLY INTERVENTION (PEI)

- Purpose:
 - **Engage** persons prior to development of serious mental illness or emotional disturbance
 - Alleviate the need for additional mental health treatment
 - Transition those with identifiable need to extend mental health treatment
 - Reduce stigma and discrimination
- PEI Programs are intended to reduce the negative effects of untreated mental illness such as:
 - Suicide
 - Incarceration
 - Homelessness
 - School failure or drop out

- Removal of children and older adults from their homes
- Prolonged suffering
- Unemployment

PEI (CONT'D)

- <u>Population Served</u>: Individuals prior to onset or development OR at risk of developing serious mental illness or severe emotional disturbance including:
 - Underserved cultural populations
 - Individuals experiencing onset of serious psychiatric illness
 - Children/youth in stressed families
 - Trauma-exposed individuals
 - Children/youth at risk for school failure
 - Children/youth at risk of experiencing juvenile justice involvement
 - Parent, caregivers, and other family members of the person with early onset of a mental illness

PEI FUNDING CATEGORIES

- <u>Prevention</u>: Programs to prevent the occurrence, severity, and consequences of serious mental illness for individuals with identified risk factors or for a group of individuals with demonstrated greater average vulnerability to mental illness.
- <u>Early Intervention</u>: Time-limited services for individuals with early onset of serious mental illness to promote mental health outcomes including recovery, wellness, and resilience, and to assist them in quickly regaining productive lives.