



# PRIORITIES

## **1. COLLABORATION**

Improve cross-system planning and collaboration.

## **2. FUNDING**

Increase and sustain funding for the aging population with emphasis on behavioral health and adult protective services.

## **3. MEDICAID REFORM**

Advocate for appropriate policies and programs that support behavioral healthcare for older adults throughout Medicaid Reform discussions.

## **4. PHYSICAL/BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LINKAGES**

Promote greater collaboration between primary care and behavioral health.

## **5. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

Increase and target workforce development, including professional recruitment, retention and training.

## **6. WELLNESS/STIGMA**

Promote wellness and reduce stigma.

## **7. CLIENT-CENTERED FOCUS**

Funding follows client; client's needs drive funding.

## **8. STATEWIDE ALLIANCE**

Form visible and sustainable statewide geriatric behavioral health alliance.

## **9. ACCESS**

Establish diversified/multiple points of access to behavioral health services for older adults based on model programs.

## **10. RESOURCE CENTER**

Create a statewide resource center specific to older adults and behavioral health.