

## **Consumer-Driven Services Directory Welcomes Applications**

The Directory of Consumer-Driven Services (CDS) is a project of the National Mental Health Consumers' Self-Help Clearinghouse. The purpose of the Directory is to provide consumers, researchers, administrators, service providers, and others with a comprehensive central resource for information on national and local consumer-driven programs. Such programs have a proven track record in helping people recover from mental illnesses. The CDS Directory highlights the vital role consumer-driven programs play in the continuum of care and allows programs to share their successful innovations with others. The Clearinghouse welcomes all programs in which consumers play a significant role in leadership and operation to apply for inclusion in its Directory of Consumer-Driven Services. The directory, accessible at [www.cdsdirectory.org](http://www.cdsdirectory.org), is searchable by location, type of organization, and targeted clientele; and serves as a free resource for consumers, program administrators and researchers.

## **Free Teleconference Training on Improving Provider Attitudes**

Register now for the June 20, 2007 teleconference "Improving Provider Attitudes, Behaviors and Practices toward People with Mental Illness" conducted by Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Resource Center to Address Discrimination and Stigma (ADS Center). This 90-minute teleconference will:

- \* Explore the sources of stigma generated by providers and the importance of modifying these attitudes to improve treatment outcomes.
- \* Provide an overview of successful activities that have been conducted to improve cooperation between providers and their patients.
- \* Discuss tools for creating an environment that fosters the development of meaningful and effective consumer/provider relationships.

Register online at the SAMHSA ADS Center web site.

<http://www.stopstigma.samhsa.gov/teleconferences.htm>

## **Executive Seminar on System Transformation**

The New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS) is pleased to announce the 3rd Annual Executive Seminar on System Transformation, "Innovations in Fostering Person-Centered Recovery: Meeting the Challenge in the Era of Transformation" on June 21-22, 2007 in Albany, NY. The program brings some of the

nation's leading transformation specialists together in a program specially designed for administrators and middle managers of progressive community mental health agencies and programs. To download the program and registration forms, go to <http://www.nyaprs.org>

## **Conference Focuses on Brighter Futures for Persons Living with Schizophrenia**

The World Fellowship for Schizophrenia and Allied Disorders, The Schizophrenia Society of Canada and the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario presents The 2007 International Conference "Lighting the Path: Hope in Action" on Sept. 27-30, 2007 in Toronto, Canada. The extensive 3-day program focuses on delivering a brighter future for those living with schizophrenia; promoting research and better treatment solutions, and the action needed to end discrimination. To learn more about the conference and to register visit their website <http://conference.world-schizophrenia.org/>

## **Funding Opportunities for Researchers from National Institute of Health**

Prevention of Trauma Related Adjustment and Mental Disorders in High-Risk Occupations

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MH-08-010.html>

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MH-08-011.html>

Basic and Translational Research Opportunities in the Social Neuroscience of Mental Health

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-389.html>

Behavioral and Social Science Research on Understanding and Reducing Health Disparities

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-07-379.html>

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-07-380.html>

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