

## **Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission Commission Overview Brochure: Accessible Version**

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### **ROLES**

1. Oversees the implementation of the Mental Health Services Act.
2. Redirects California's mental health system towards transformation of all mental health activities and programs to stress prevention, early intervention, wellness, recovery, and resilience.
3. Ensures that all perspectives and participation of those living with mental illness and their family members are a significant factor in Commission decisions and recommendations.
4. Promotes a systems approach to the provision of multicultural and multilingual mental health services, activities, and programs to eliminate disparities in access to and in quality of mental health services.
5. Develops programs and activities that maximize the impact of MHSA funding on the mental health of all Californians.
6. Informs the public and stakeholders about progress being made toward a transformed mental health system that has prevention, wellness, recovery, and resilience as its primary goal.

### **VISION**

Right care, right time, right place for all individuals, children and families living with mental illness.

### **MISSION**

Provide the vision and leadership, in collaboration with clients, their family members, and underserved communities, to ensure Californians understand mental health is essential to overall health. Hold public systems accountable and provide oversight for eliminating disparities, promoting wellness, recovery and resiliency; ensure positive outcomes for individuals living with serious mental illness and their families.

## **GOALS**

**A reduction in suicide:** Individuals living with mental illness are safe.

**A reduction in incarceration:** Individuals living with mental illness are living in the community with access to “help first” care.

**A reduction in school failure:** Individuals living with mental illness are succeeding in school.

**A reduction in unemployment:** Individuals living with mental illness are employed and earn a living wage.

**A reduction in prolonged suffering:** Individuals living with mental illness have friends and perceive themselves as living in a supportive community.

**A reduction in homelessness:** Individuals living with mental illness are in an independent or supported living situation.

**A reduction in removal of children from homes:** Individuals living with mental illness are living with families and experience consistency, support, and love.