

## **Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) Measures**

### ***Measure 3.4.15: Percentage of enrolled homeless persons who receive community mental health services***

FY 2013 Target: 50%

The PATH legislation mandates that the program target persons with serious mental illness (SMI) who may also experience a co-occurring substance use disorder and who are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness. This measure reflects the PATH program's legislative intent to provide a link to mental health and community-based services.

### ***Measure 3.4.16: Number of homeless persons contacted***

FY 2013 Target: 182,000

This measure indicates the number of homeless persons contacted by PATH providers. Persistent and consistent outreach and the introduction of services at the client's pace are important steps to engaging persons experiencing homelessness with serious mental illness (SMI), and beginning the process of linking them to housing, mental health services, substance use treatment, case management, and other supportive services.

### ***Measure 3.4.17: Percentage of contacted homeless persons with serious mental illness who become enrolled in services***

FY 2013 Target: 55%

This measure is an indication of the rate of enrollment for PATH-eligible individuals. PATH enrollment is defined as:

- The individual is determined to be "PATH eligible" (i.e., experiencing serious mental illness and homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness);
- The PATH worker has established engagement with the individual (the individual has agreed to work towards a goal with the PATH worker); and
- The PATH worker has opened an individual case record that contains demographic information, documentation of PATH eligibility, mutual agreement for the provision of services, and services to be provided.

***Measure 3.4.20: Number of PATH providers trained on SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) to ensure eligible homeless clients are receiving benefits***

FY 2013 Target: 5,420

This measure indicates the number of PATH providers trained on Supplemental Security Income/Social Security Disability Insurance (SSI/SSDI) Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR). This output is important in that once trained, PATH providers are better able to assist PATH clients in applying for and receiving the income benefits for which they are eligible.

## **Information Source Notes**

1. Information in this document is based on information contained in the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration's (SAMHSA) FY 2012 Online Performance Appendix.

2. During the FY 2012 budget formulation process, SAMHSA underwent a comprehensive review of the GPRA measures listed in the FY 2011 President's Budget. This review resulted in the deletion, revision, and consolidation of existing GPRA measures and the inclusion of several new measures. The number of PATH measures was reduced, leaving four measures in place.

**Measure 3.4.18 (Average federal cost of enrolling a homeless person with serious mental illness in services)** was deleted, as SAMHSA is reviewing its efficiency measures to determine the best approach to achieve meaningful efficiency outcomes.