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## May 2026 Newsletter

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Explore new training and resources from HHRC and our partners!

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## Recognizing Mental Health Awareness Month

Mental health is part of everyday life. It shapes how we think, feel, connect with others, and move through the world. For more than 20 years, SAMHSA has recognized Mental Health Awareness Month each May, raising awareness, sharing resources, and supporting the individuals and communities who need it most.

This year's theme is: **See the Person. Support the Journey.**

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### Related Resource:

# Coordinating Systems of Care to Provide a Comprehensive Behavioral Health Crisis Response to Individuals Experiencing Homelessness

Housing is widely understood to be the most modifiable social need in the United States, yet behavioral health crisis response systems and homelessness systems operate separately, impeding holistic approaches to stabilization.

Stronger coordination between these systems can enhance the power of available resources, mitigate crises, and promote recovery for people who are homeless with behavioral health needs.

This brief suggests strategies to enhance crisis care through multilevel coordination and describes practical approaches that systems of care can deploy to strengthen collaboration.

## Sections include:

- Crisis Prevention and Early Mitigation
- Enhancing Crisis Response
- Ensuring Continuity Post-Crisis
- Enhancing Community Partnerships
- Opportunities for HUD Continuums of Care and Behavioral Health Systems

[Download the Toolkit](#)

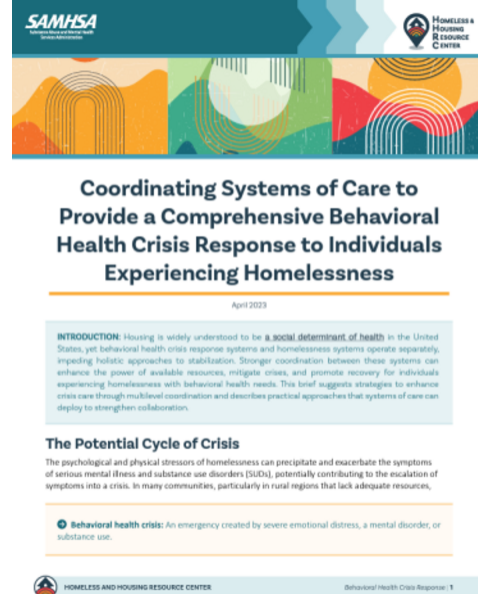
## HHRC Job Board

Is your agency currently hiring for a position serving people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness? Are you looking for your next role? We invite agencies to submit open job listings for advertising on the HHRC website!

Positions must relate to supporting people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness who have SMI, SUD, or COD. HHRC staff will review incoming listings for appropriateness and contact agencies with any questions.

*HHRC does not charge fees to advertise or view job listings.*

[View and Submit Open Roles](#)



# Partner Resources

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## Revised Regulations for Opioid Treatment Programs: Establishing a Baseline to Measure Progress Over Time

### SAMHSA

In February 2024, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration [published](#) the first significant revision in more than 20 years to [42 CFR part 8](#), the regulations that guide opioid treatment programs (OTPs). The changes promote greater retention in care by reducing barriers to receiving evidence-based medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD) and promoting practitioner's professional judgment in meeting the needs of individual patients with patient-centered approaches to care.

## Advisory: Promoting Integrated Physical and Behavioral Health Care for Older Adults

### SAMHSA

As America's population ages, older adults face growing challenges from co-occurring physical and behavioral health conditions—yet care often remains fragmented. This [SAMHSA advisory](#) outlines evidence-based strategies to integrate physical and behavioral health services, improving outcomes, reducing costs, and enhancing quality of life. This includes strategies for older adults with serious mental illness including self-management programs, telehealth, digital tools, and peer support to expand access—especially in rural and underserved areas.

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## Partner Events

- [Webinar](#): Translating the Guiding Principles of Trauma-Informed Care in Practice  
**May 22, 9:30am ET.** SAMHSA Addiction Technology Transfer Center
  - [Webinar](#): Perceptions of Substance Use with Older Adults  
**May 26, 10:00am ET.** SAMHSA Addiction Technology Transfer Center
  - [Webinar](#): Unsheltered Homelessness: Encampment Sweeps, Displacement, and Health  
**May 27, 12:00pm ET.** Health X Housing Lab
  - [Webinar](#): Substance Use and the Impact on Mental Health  
**June 2, 2:00pm ET.** SAMHSA Addiction Technology Transfer Center
  - [Webinar](#): The Future of Housing & Health: Where Systems Converge  
**June 4, 2:00pm ET.** National Center for Housing and Health
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Please direct questions or concerns about HHRC training events

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