

**ADAMHS BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-09-01**

**ACCEPTING FAITH-BASED OUTREACH COMMITTEE GOALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County (ADAMHS Board) in Resolution No. 12-05-03 established the Faith-Based Outreach Committee as a special committee of the ADAMHS Board, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Faith-Based Outreach Committee in an effort to include community participation and input formulated a Faith-Based Outreach Subcommittee consisting of members of the community who had expressed an interest in the committee's mission; and,

**WHEREAS**, after holding several meetings, the subcommittee presented to the Faith-Based Outreach Committee on September 5, 2012, the recommended Faith-Based Outreach Committee Goals:

- 1. Increase awareness and understanding of mental health/addiction in the faith community and to address societal stigma surrounding the illness.**
- 2. Incorporate spirituality as a component of treatment (optional).**
- 3. Educate the faith community about mental health/addiction in order to help the congregation and the overall community.**
- 4. Develop language and boundaries to clarify scope of practice for faith-based leaders/professionals within the treatment community and treatment professionals within the faith community.**

**WHEREAS**, the recommended goals aim to address the committee's mission statement, "*to recognize and advocate spirituality in the recovery process; to collaborate the spiritual perspective with other interventions and best practices; and to promote the concept that treatment works and people recover*"; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Faith-Based Outreach Committee that includes several ad hoc members concurred that the four goals listed above should be presented to the full Board for its consideration, review and approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The ADAMHS Board of Directors approves the goals submitted by the Faith-Based Outreach Committee.

On the motion of Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., seconded by J. Robert Fowler, Ph.D., the motion was adopted.

**AYES:** C. Brown, E. Cash, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Romaniuk, M. Warr, A. Williams

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**DATE ADOPTED:** September 19, 2012