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**A System of Care for Children's Mental Health:
Expanding the Research Base**

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Defining Transformation:

transformation \ˈtrɑn(t)-fɔr-ˈmɑ-shən/ n (15c)
From the Latin roots to change TRANS (across) and
FORMA (shape). 1: a change in form, appearance,
nature or character 2: the process of doing so

*The New Freedom Commission described
transformation as a vision, a process,
and an outcome.*

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Developing the First Federal Action Agenda:

- Established the work team, including Stanley Eichenauer, Sybil Goldman, Gail Hutchings, Kathryn Power, James Stone, and Mark Weber
- Identified team objectives, established a timeline, and held weekly team meetings
- Reviewed the New Freedom Commission report, and identified subrecommendations and relevant Federal agencies
- Reviewed the Carter Commission report and other public documents to help design a format for the Action Agenda
- Reviewed all New Freedom Commission Subcommittee reports

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Developing the First Federal Action Agenda:

- Conducted inventory of CMHS portfolio
- Created and convened Federal Partners Work Group
- Requested and received Federal Partners' inventory and "wish lists"
- Drafted Year 1 Action Agenda, including first response steps to implement Commission report from the Federal perspective
- Developed Inventories and Subcommittee reports
- Initiated Strategic Plan Development for CMHS

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Children and Families

Vision:
Children and youth living full lives in the community, including education, job preparation, and meaningful relationships with friends and family.

Mission:
To build resilience and to facilitate recovery by improving the quality and availability of prevention, early intervention, and treatment services for children with, or at risk for, mental or emotional disorders.

Goals:
Accountability, Capacity, Effectiveness, Elimination of Disparities, and Public Education.

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1 Build infrastructure, service capacity, effectiveness, and accountability for prevention, early intervention, and treatment for health and substance use problems across age span.



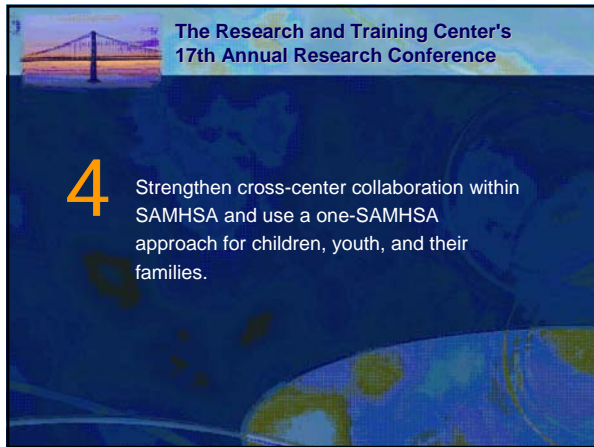
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2 Develop and lead new collaborative initiatives to address priority areas for children and families.



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3 Expand evidence base of what works and implement in practice (science to service, service to science).



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4 Strengthen cross-center collaboration within SAMHSA and use a one-SAMHSA approach for children, youth, and their families.



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5 Strengthen collaboration with other Federal agencies and partnerships with foundations and key organizations.