Health Care for the Homeless Network

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Health Care for the Homeless Network Priority Actions 2010-2014

In order to promote the improved health of people experiencing homelessness we will:

- 1. Ensure the application of evidence based practices that promote human dignity, empower participants, and improve health outcomes.
- 2. Continue to provide services "where people are" including day centers, shelters, streets, and supportive housing, working to improve access across all geographic areas of King County where people are experiencing homelessness.
- 3. Assure the provision of services that address the increasing acuity and complexity of health care problems.
- 4. Address the need for increased access to information about health care resources and to health care coverage.
- 5. Expand our awareness and focus on trauma informed care in recognition and response to the high prevalence of cognitive and emotional impairments in the homeless population.
- 6. Continue to align investment strategies with those of the *Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness in King County* including alignment with the goal of the housing first/supportive housing model to increase housing stability for persons with histories of chronic homelessness.