

**Report from Multicultural Issues Plank
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Consensus on Issues and Action Plan

1. Managed care needs to develop and increase the number of services and providers with diverse (i.e., African American, Latino, Asian, and Native American):
 - a. backgrounds
 - b. language
 - c. understanding of spiritual backgrounds
 - d. understanding of persons with non-spiritual backgrounds
 - e. Cultural competence training on all cultures.
 - f. Ancestral education
2. Develop a central clearinghouse for diverse populations in order to make information and services accessible. Should have e-mail and internet capabilities
3. Fifty percent of conference scholarships should go to persons with diverse backgrounds. Panelists at the conferences should come from diverse backgrounds.
4. National anti-stigma campaign dealing with issues facing people of color who have mental illness.
 - a. Speakers Bureau made up of people from diverse cultures who speak and educate on their culture.
 - b. Speakers Bureau that is driven by and focuses on young people and mental health issues from diverse cultures.
 - c. Speakers Bureau that focuses on educating the elderly
 - d. Police training
 - e. Cable access programs
5. Develop support networks with outreach to communities and families.
6. Sovereignty developed outside the state or county mental health system, specifically when dealing with Alaska Natives.
7. Annual people of color conference.
8. Voter/political education