



2008 Priorities

The top five priorities for
the Iowa Coalition on Mental Health and Aging.

- a) support the organization of a dedicated Bureau of Older Adult Mental Health Services within the Iowa Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health & Disability Services.
- b) support recommendations made by the Alzheimer's Disease Task Force.
- c) support an increase in the number of professionals who can provide care to older Iowans with mental illnesses.
- d) support the proposed rule changes to improve the statutory requirement for a health care facility to report accidents causing major injuries to older adults including those with mental health problems and psychiatric disorders.
- e) support HSB 564 and all related efforts to improve the provision of care to Iowans with co-occurring mental health and substance abuse problems.