

## **Community Mental Health Development Section**

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The fundamental aims and objectives of the Section is to achieve the following five main strands of our work:

- 1- To campaign for and assist with the closure of psychiatric institutions through the development of comprehensive integrated community mental health services.
- 2- The development of the Whole Life-Whole System Community by developing Strategies and implementing them through partnership working with local communities harnessing their strengths, resilience and resources.
- 3- To promote and provide opportunities for people with mental health issues and their families to develop their own recovery/discovery plans and journeys through self-determination, autonomy and a full recognition of their assets.
- 4- Changing the Thinking, Changing the Practice, Changing the System.  
All 3 tenets of Change done together through Action Learning Sets.
- 5- To identify and share good practice in Community Mental Health service systems from around the world.