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### **MENTAL HEALTH IN THE AMERICAS: NEW CHALLENGES IN A NEW MILLENNIUM**

1. On page 4, last paragraph, the last sentence should read:

During the same period, it is estimated that, in North America, patients suffering from schizophrenia will increase from 3 to 3.3 million and dementia will increase 37% beyond that expected from the increase in population size.

2. On page 5, in 2.2 Burden of Mental Disorders, first paragraph, the last sentence should read:

Mental health conditions have a tendency to move upwards in the ranking, with depression rising from the fourth to the second place by 2020.

3. On page 10, in 5. Proposed Actions, 5.1 By Member States, the sixth sentence should read:

How may allocations within the public health budget for mental health be gradually increased to reflect this area's growing importance during the new millennium?

4. On page 10, last paragraph, first sentence should read:

The transition from a hospital-based model to a well-integrated and coordinated community-based health care system can be achieved through a variety of strategies.

5. On page 12, in

- *Restructuring mental health services within the context of health sector reform*, the fifth sentence should read:

Also, even while the cost of the new model is expected to be lower than the traditional one, the current level of unmet needs in the population is generally so high that financial adjustments and reallocations within the mental health budget will be unavoidable during this process.