

### **Recovery Dialogue for the video “Recovered Dignity”**

After showing the video, ask the following questions:

- 1) What words, phrases or images caught your attention?
- 2) Who were some of the people in the video, and what do you remember about them?
- 3) Mrs. Carter opens the video talking about the President’s New Freedom Commission Report on Mental Illness and the “hope for recovery”. Others in the video talk about recovery in relation to mental illness. What do you think recovery means for people diagnosed with a mental illness?
- 4) Why do you think people with a mental illness are so stigmatized, discriminated against and even, as they say in the video, “desecrated in their death”?
- 5) The work on cemeteries in Georgia, Hawaii and other states has led to the creation of a national memorial on the grounds at Saint Elizabeths Hospital in Washington, DC. Why is this important? What might be the outcome or impact of this?