# 9 Essential Elements of an AOT Program

# Collaborating Between Systems

- 1. Maintain clear lines of communication between court and treatment team.
- 2. Employ specific protocols to respond to treatment non-adherence.

# Establishing a Participant Base

- 3. Identify individuals that meet admission criteria.
- 4. Evaluate each participant at the end of the commitment to determine whether to renew the order.

# Formalizing a Legal Process

- 5. Mental Health System petitions court for AOT for appropriate individuals.
- 6. Safeguard due process rights at all stages of the legal proceeding.

#### Providing Client-Centered Care

- 7. Provide evidence-based treatment focused on engagement.
- 8. Continually evaluate appropriateness of participant's treatment plan.
- 9. Ensure participant remains connected to appropriate services after completing AOT.