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# Introduction to Services

Support, Education & Advocacy



NAMI National Alliance on Mental Illness

- Founded 1979 in Madison, Wisconsin, now with headquarters in Arlington, Virginia
- Incorporated in Missouri in 1985
- NAMI is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental health conditions



# NAMI's vision

NAMI envisions a world where all persons affected by mental illness experience resiliency, recovery and wellness.



# **Central beliefs**

- Mental illnesses are real illnesses.
- Stigma is real.
- Education and support for families and people with mental illness make substantial differences in outcomes, recovery and resilience
- With appropriate treatment and services, people can and do recover from mental illness



# Our mission

NAMI Missouri works to improve the lives of individuals and families affected by mental illness through **support**, **education** and **advocacy**.





# Support groups throughout the state that offer sincere, uncritical acceptance



NAMI Missouri currently offers approximately 40 weekly and monthly Consumer and Family Support Groups across the state.



# Support > NAMI Support Groups

The NAMI Support Group model comes in two forms:

- Connection Recovery Support Groups for individuals with mental illness
- Family Support Groups for family members







**NAMI Connection** is a Recovery Support Group. It's a free, peer-led support group for adults living with mental illness. You will gain insight from hearing the challenges and successes of others, and the groups are led by NAMI-trained facilitators who've been there.





**NAMI Family Support Group** is a peer-led support group for family members, caregivers and loved ones of individuals living with mental illness. Gain insight from the challenges and successes of others facing similar circumstances.



# Support > WARMline and HelpLine

WARMline & Helpline (800) 374-2138 Monday – Friday; 9am – 5pm Weekends and Holidays 3pm – 9 pm

Both WARMline and HelpLine services and referrals are also available by emailing info@namimissouri.org.



# Education

## Our view

Educational programs delivered by and for families at every stage of life must be valued and promoted as a routine, integrated part of mental health treatment.

# What we do:

- Presentations
- Courses
- Workshops



# **Education > Presentations**

# NAMI In Our Own Voice

NAMI In Our Own Voice is a presentation for the general public to promote awareness of mental illness and the possibility of recovery.

### **Presentations serve multiple purposes:**

- 1. To empower those who are telling their story
- 2. To share the story of recovery with others





NAMI In Our Own Voice presentations change attitudes, assumptions and stereotypes about people with mental health conditions. Presentations provide a personal perspective of mental illness, as presenters with lived experience talk openly about what it's like to live with a mental health condition.



# **Education > Courses**

# **NAMI Family Education Courses**



# Family Education Classes

### NAMI Family-to-Family

NAMI Family-To-Family is a class for families, partners and friends of individuals with mental illness.

### **NAMI Basics**

NAMI Basics is a class for parents and other family caregivers of children and adolescents who have either been diagnosed with a mental health condition or who are experiencing symptoms but have not yet been diagnosed.

### **NAMI Homefront**

NAMI Homefront is a class for families, partners and friends of military service members and veterans experiencing mental health challenges.





NAMI Family-to-Family is a free, 12session educational program for family, significant others and friends of people living with mental illness.





NAMI Basics is a free, 6-week education program for parents and family caregivers of children and teens who are experiencing symptoms of a mental illness or whom have already been diagnosed.



NAMI Homefront is a free, 6-session educational program for families, caregivers and friends of military service members and veterans with mental health conditions.



# Provider Workshops

NAMI Missouri holds three 6-hour provider workshops each year for mental health and other allied providers.





NAMI advocates on the federal, state, and local levels on behalf of people living with mental health conditions.





# Advocacy Resources

- nami.org/advocacy
- namistl.org/legislative-action-center.html
- twitter.com/NAMIAdvocacy
- twitter.com/namistladvocate

# Missouri Affiliates

- Boonville
- Columbia
- Jefferson City
- Joplin
- Greater Kansas City
- St. Louis
- Southeast Missouri
- Southwest Missouri

# Online & Social Media

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### **DOUBLETREEBYHILTONHOTEL • JEFFERSON CITY, MO** BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS • GUEST SPEAKER • HONORS + AWARDS

SAVE THE DATE for the 2019 Annual Meeting on Saturday, April 13, 2019

