



Request for Promotion of an IRB Approved Research Study

Research is vital to advancing our understanding of mental health conditions and developing new and better treatments. Scientific research can lead to effective early intervention strategies, better understanding of environmental and social factors that affect mental health, and further knowledge on how other elements—like genetics, physical health and medications—can impact recovery outcomes. Because of the answers research can provide, it is a powerful source of hope for people experiencing mental health conditions and their families.

NAMI's role in research includes supporting researchers by connecting them with our passionate grassroots base and advocating for research that improves the lives of individuals and their families. NAMI also collaborates with key research stakeholders and leading experts from academia, industry, government and private institutions to lead a unified call for better, more advanced treatment options.

NAMI takes requests to get involved in research projects of any type, at any level, very seriously. Requests are thoroughly reviewed by NAMI's Chief Medical Officer Dr. Ken Duckworth and Chief Program Officer Dr. Teri Brister. This process includes a review of the research protocols and methodology, and the documentation that the study has been approved by an Institutional Review Board (IRB) to assure the safety of research participants.

Please provide information about your study and requested collaboration by completing the request form below and returning it, along with all required supplemental information, to research@nami.org.

For questions about this process please email Elizabeth Stafford, Director of Research at estafford@nami.org.

Thank you for your interest in making your research project available to NAMI members.

Please include the following along with the completed request form in your e-mail submission to research@nami.org.

- Brief description of the study, including eligibility and exclusion criteria, duration, sample size and measures to be used
- Documentation of IRB approval or exemption
- Any patient-facing flyers or brochures that you would like included in NAMI's announcement (*branded materials accepted*)

Date: _____

Company/University/Organization Name: _____

Company/University/Organization Website: _____

Principal Investigator:

- Name and title: _____
- Phone: _____
- Email: _____
- Mailing address: _____

Preferred Collaboration Point of Contact, if Differs from P.I.:

- Name and title: _____
- Phone: _____
- Email: _____
- Mailing Address: _____

Study Summary Information

- Title: _____
- Which category best describes this study?
 - o Clinical Trial
 - o General population survey
 - o Targeted survey (i.e. specific conditions, specific personal connection)
 - o Dissertation/thesis
 - o Other (please describe in supplemental documentation)
- What is the current IRB status of this study?
 - o Has been submitted for IRB approval
 - o Has been approved for IRB
 - o IRB approval not requested for this study (please include explanation in supplemental documentation)
- Location(s) the study will take place: _____
- Study start date: _____
- Study end date: _____

Which of the following best describes the role you are requesting NAMI to play in your study?

- Review/advise on/evaluate research materials
- Promote the availability of the study to NAMI members and general public
- Actively Recruit specific target populations to participate in the study
- Other (please describe in supplemental documentation)

(this portion of the form for internal use only)

Disposition:

- Request is approved
- Request is denied
- No decision can be made until the following questions are addressed:
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

Reviewed by: