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JUNE 28–JULY 1, 2017

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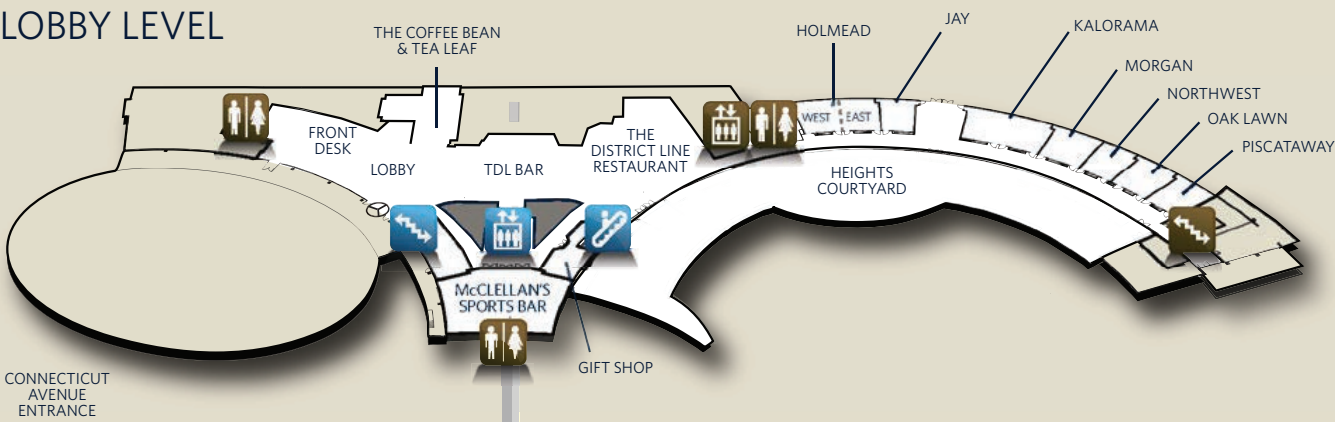
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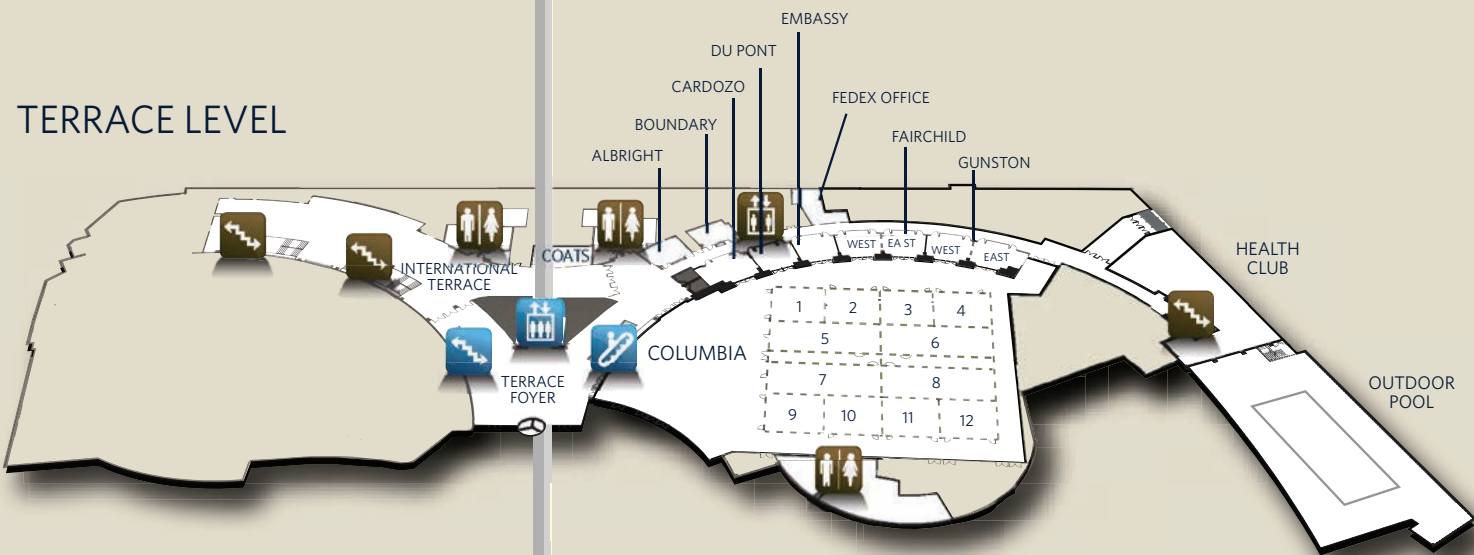
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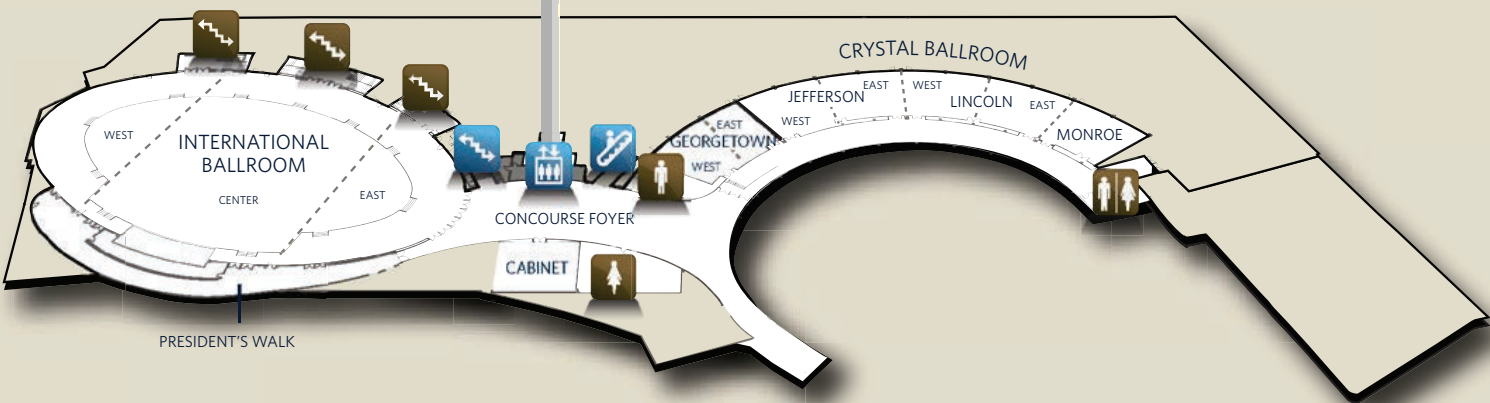
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CONVENTION AT-A-GLANCE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

9–11 a.m.	NAMI Program Fair
10–10:45 a.m.	Convention Orientation
9:30–11:30 a.m.	NAMI Council Business Meetings
11 a.m.–noon	Author Showcases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kay Jamison, <i>Robert Lowell, Setting the River on Fire</i> • Andrea Petersen, <i>On Edge: A Journey Through Anxiety</i>
11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.	Speeches by NAMI Board Candidates
1:30–3:30 p.m.	Education Program Directors Meeting
1:30–4:15 p.m.	Federal Legislative Briefing & Hill Day Prep <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hill Day Legislative Briefing, 1:30–2:30 p.m. • Hill Day Prep, 2:45–4:15 p.m.
4:30–5:30 pm	Special-Interest Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roles and Responsibilities in the NAMI Alliance: NAMI, NAMI State Organizations and NAMI Affiliates • What's New in Membership Starting July 1
4:30–6 p.m.	Special-Interest Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAMI Peer-to-Peer Program Leaders • NAMI Basics, Family-to-Family, Homefront and Provider Program Leaders • NAMI Ending the Silence and In Our Own Voice Program Leaders • HelpLine and Data Outcomes
7–9 p.m.	Movie Night: <i>Elizabeth Blue</i> Award-winning, powerful film about love and living with schizophrenia drawn from the writer/director's (Vincent Sabella) life. Discussion with Sabella and Joe Dain (producer) to follow.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

7:45–8:45 a.m.	NAMI Hill Day Plenary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Giliberti, J.D., CEO, NAMI • U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-Texas) • U.S. Senator Chris Murphy (D-Conn.)
10:30 a.m.–3 p.m.	Hill Day Congressional Visits
10:30 a.m.–noon	How to Tell Your Story and Change the World
1–7 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open
1:30–2:45 p.m.	Workshops: Group A
3–4 p.m.	Dessert Break in the Exhibit Hall
3–4:30 p.m.	Open Mic with the NAMI Board
4:15–5 p.m.	The Pharmacology of Yoga: Practices and Perspectives for Achieving Wellness
4:45–5:30 p.m.	State Caucuses Group One
5:45–6:30 p.m.	State Caucuses Group Two
6:30–7:30 p.m.	Grieving Support Group
7–8:30 p.m.	NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group
7:30–9 p.m.	NEA.BPD Family Connections Leader Gathering
7:30–9 p.m.	NAMI Talks Featured authors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Leite, <i>Notes on a Banana: A Memoir of Food, Love, and Manic Depression</i> • Ron Powers, <i>No One Cares about Crazy People: The Chaos and Heartbreak of Mental Health in America</i> • Naomi Judd, <i>River of Time: My Descent into Depression and How I Emerged with Hope</i>

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

8 a.m.–4 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open
9 a.m.–6 p.m.	Voting
9–10:15 a.m.	Research Updates: Group One <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recovery After an Initial Schizophrenia Episode (RAISE) • Technology to Improve Care • Weight Loss and Overall Health
10:45 a.m.–noon	Research Updates: Group Two <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) • Depression • Smoking Cessation in Patients with Schizophrenia and Bipolar Disorder • Two Perspectives on Genetics
12:45–2 p.m.	Poster Sessions in the Exhibit Hall
1–2 p.m.	Dessert Break in the Exhibit Hall
2:15–3:45 p.m.	Major Topic Symposia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Vision for a 21st Century Mental Health System • Innovations in Reducing Incarceration • NAMI Unger Research Fellowship Discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Studying Bipolar Disorder with Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells • Shattering the Bell Jar: Assessing the Impact of an Open-Communication Model in an Acute Inpatient Unit
4–5:15 p.m.	Workshops: Group B
5:30–6:45 p.m.	Ending the Death Penalty for Mental Illness
5:30–6:45 p.m.	Interfaith Prayer and Share Service
6:30–8 p.m.	NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group & NAMI Family Support Group
8–9:30 p.m.	Friday Movie Night: <i>God Knows Where I Am</i> (movie clips with panel discussion): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Todd Wider, M.D., and Jedd Wider,

- Esq., producers and directors
- Joan Bishop, B.S. M.Ed., sister of Linda Bishop, the film's subject
 - Ken Norton, LICSW, Executive Director, NAMI New Hampshire
 - Moderator: Pete Earley, best-selling author and mental health advocate

9:30–10 p.m. NAMI Veterans and Military Council (NVMC) Candlelight Vigil

SATURDAY, JULY 1

9–10:30 a.m.	Research Plenary Joshua Gordon, M.D., Ph.D., Director, National Institute of Mental Health, Bethesda, Md.
10:45 a.m.–noon	NAMI Annual Business Meeting: Educate. Empower. Engage.
1:30–4 p.m.	Information, Support and Education Institute
1:30–4 p.m.	Policy Institute: Hidden Heroes: Strengthening Support for Mental Health Caregivers
4:15–5:30 p.m.	Networking Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy Networking • Family Caregiver Affinity Group Networking • NVMC Networking • Best Practices from FCG Fund Development and Events • Roles and Responsibilities in the NAMI Alliance: NAMI, NAMI State Organizations & NAMI Affiliates • Consumer Council Networking • Latino, African-American and LGBTQ Joint Networking Session • NAMI FaithNet Networking
5:30–6:30 p.m.	Stepping Up/Criminal Justice Networking Session
7–9 p.m.	Closing Banquet

MEETING ROOM LOCATIONS

LOBBY LEVEL

- Holmead East & West
- Jay
- Kalorama
- Morgan (Voting)
- Northwest
- Oak Lawn
- Piscataway
- Heights Courtyard

TERRACE LEVEL

- Columbia Ballroom (Registration, Exhibit Hall, Bookstore, Info Desk, CEU Desk)
- Terrace Foyer (Hill Day Bus pick-up/drop-off)
- Cardozo (Welcome Center)
- Albright
- Boundary
- Du Pont
- Embassy
- FedEx Office
- Fairchild West & East
- Gunston West

CONCOURSE

- International Ballroom West, Center, East
- Georgetown West & East
- Jefferson West & East
- Lincoln West & East
- Monroe

Congratulations to the NAMI 2017 Exemplary Psychiatrists!



To be considered for the **2017 Exemplary Psychiatrist Awards**, an individual must have set an example for his or her professional colleagues. NAMI would like to recognize and thank those psychiatrists who have made substantial contributions to NAMI Affiliate or NAMI State Organization activities. These are the doctors who have “gone the extra mile” with NAMI members in ways such as:

Working alongside NAMI members for access to care, research, funding or other NAMI priorities

Ensuring that the NAMI perspective helps shape state and local services

Providing comprehensive treatment to people with mental illness including medical, rehabilitative and social needs

Educating people with mental illness and their family members

Educating the public and fighting against prejudice and discrimination

Eduardo Colon, M.D.
Minnesota


Dionne Hart, M.D.
Minnesota

Irene Hurford, M.D.
Pennsylvania

Luciano Picchio, M.D.
Pennsylvania


James S. Sullivan, M.D., Ph.D.
Rhode Island

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Hey, can I tell you something? I really need to talk to someone right now.



Know how to respond.

I'm in to mental health

Inspired
Informed
Involved

Join us at nami.org/IntoMentalHealth.

CONVENTION HOURS

Registration

Terrace Level, Columbia Ballroom

Wednesday, June 28	8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 29	7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Friday, June 30	8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 1	8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

NAMI Information Desk

Terrace Level, Columbia Ballroom

Wednesday, June 28	8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 29	7:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Friday, June 30	8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 1	8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Ask about NAMI, the Convention, restaurants and more.

Welcome Center

Terrace Level, Columbia Ballroom, Cardozo Room

Wednesday, June 28	6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 29	10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Friday, June 30	10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 1	10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

NAMI welcomes people living with mental illness and offers several special services, sponsored by Beacon Health Options.

Exhibit Hall

Terrace Level, Columbia Ballroom

Thursday, June 29	1:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
Friday, June 30	8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Find resources and information about publications, facilities, products and services of interest to NAMI members. Please stop by and visit our exhibitors.

NAMI Bookstore

Terrace Level, Exhibit Hall

Thursday, June 29	1:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
Friday, June 30	8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 1	8:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Browse various books of interest to people living with mental illness, their families and treatment professionals or attend book signings by notable authors.

Press Room

Terrace Level, Oak Lawn

Press and media check-in to receive a media pass.

CE (Continuing Education) Check-In at NAMI Information Desk

Terrace Level, Columbia Ballroom

Wednesday, June 28	Noon–6:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 29	1:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.
Friday, June 30	Noon–6:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 1	11:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

FedEx Business Center

Terrace Level

Monday–Friday	7:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday	9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

NAMI Council Meet & Greet

NAMI Veterans and Military Council

NAMI Consumer Council

Concourse Foyer

Meet council and advisory group members and ask about activities.

WI-FI INTERNET ACCESS

Complimentary internet is available in the meeting spaces and sessions throughout the convention for email, mobile app and social media access.

From the list of Wi-Fi networks, connect to **honors_meeting** with password **NAMI2017** (case sensitive).

2016–2017 NAMI BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Steve Pitman, J.D., 2018
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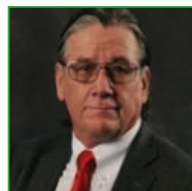
Jim Hayes, M.D., 2017
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Canton, Conn.



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Simpsonville, S.C.



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Cincinnati, Ohio

VOTING INFORMATION and 2017 BOARD CANDIDATES

Voting is done by credentialed delegates and proxies on behalf of NAMI Affiliates and NAMI State Organizations. As a result, most convention attendees do not vote. However, all NAMI members can get to know the individuals who will represent them for the next three years. Here are several opportunities to get to know these NAMI leaders:

- Consult the spring 2017 issue of the *Advocate* for more information about the candidates. Copies are available at the NAMI Information Desk, located next to registration on the Terrace Level in the Columbia Ballroom.
- Listen to candidate speeches, scheduled for Wednesday, June 28, 11:45 a.m.–1:00 p.m. in the International Ballroom, Center and East.
- Check out www.nami.org/2017Candidates for the candidates' letters of nomination, what they think are the important issues facing NAMI, short speeches that they recorded earlier this year and their photos.
- Visit the candidate posters in the Concourse Foyer East to learn more.
- Candidates are wearing red, white and blue "candidate" ribbons on their name badges. Members are encouraged to engage with them to learn about what they hope to accomplish on the NAMI Board of Directors.

Voting will take place Friday, June 30, 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Credentialed NAMI Affiliate and NAMI State Organization representatives should report to the Morgan Room to cast their ballots. Winning candidates for the NAMI Board of Directors will be announced at the Business Meeting on Saturday, July 1, 10:45 a.m.–noon.

HAVE YOU SEEN A PATIENT WITH **PANDAS or PANS?**

Children with PANDAS or PANS may have an abrupt and dramatic onset of:

- ☐ Obsessions/Compulsions
- ☐ Severe separation anxiety
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- ☐ Emotional lability/Rages
- ☐ Age inappropriate behavior
- ☐ Restrictive eating
- ☐ Sensory or motor abnormalities
- ☐ Urinary frequency or enuresis without UTI

**Access diagnostic and therapeutic guidelines
at PANDASPPN.org.**

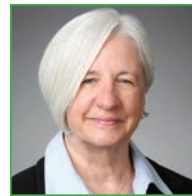


The PANDAS PHYSICIANS NETWORK (PPN) is a non-profit organization helping medical professionals better understand PANDAS (Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated with Streptococcal infections) and PANS (Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome). www.pandasppn.org

CANDIDATES FOR THE 2017 NAMI BOARD OF DIRECTORS



John Freeburg
Nominated by NAMI Washington State



Mary Zdanowicz
Nominated by NAMI Cape Cod & the Islands (Mass.)



Robert S. Laitman, M.D.
Nominated by NAMI of Westchester County (N.Y.)



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Nominated by NAMI Doña Ana County (N.M.)



Lauren Rettagliata
Nominated by NAMI Contra Costa County (Calif.)



Chip (Emmett) Angell
Nominated by NAMI Portland (Maine)



D.J. Jaffe
Nominated by NAMI of Buffalo & Erie County (N.Y.)



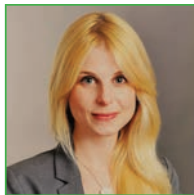
Nancy Carter
Nominated by NAMI Urban Los Angeles (Calif.)



Adrienne Kennedy, M.A.
Nominated by NAMI Austin (Texas)



Amanda Lipp
Nominated by NAMI California



Frankie Berger
Nominated by NAMI Central Virginia



Jorge R. Petit, M.D.
Nominated by NAMI New York City Metro (N.Y.)



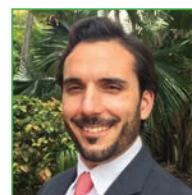
Jim Hayes
Nominated by NAMI South Carolina



Christine L. Thompson, B.S.N., C.P.S.
Nominated by NAMI Kansas



Terry Bridges
Nominated by NAMI Tennessee



Carlos Larrauri, R.N., B.S.N.
Nominated by NAMI Miami-Dade County (Fla.)

WEDNESDAY JUNE 28

9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m. NAMI PROGRAM FAIR

Georgetown Learn about NAMI's Education programs, CIT programs, NAMI FaithNet, Field Capacity & Governance and Membership. Visit the Ask the Doctor table and join NAMI staff for a lively Q&A on key treatment, policy, legal and public affairs issues.

10:00 a.m.–10:45 a.m. CONVENTION ORIENTATION

Lincoln Welcome to the NAMI National Convention! Attendees will have abundant learning and networking opportunities, many of which will run concurrently. During this brief and lively orientation, learn about the convention schedule, special events and how to plan your convention experience.

- Valerie Hunter, M.A., L.M.F.T., OTR, National Director, Organization Development & Talent Management, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

9:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. NAMI COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETINGS

Morgan State Presidents Council
Kalorama Executive Directors Council
Northwest National Veterans and Military Council (NVMC)
Oak Lawn Consumer Council



Award presentation: Kenneth Steele Award, presented to Christine Thompson

11:00 a.m.–noon AUTHOR SHOWCASES

Jefferson **KAY JAMISON SHARES**
Kay Jamison is the author of recently published *Robert Lowell, Setting the River on Fire*. Kay is the prolific writer of important books on living with bipolar disorder, including *Touched with Fire* and *An Unquiet Mind*. A beloved member of the NAMI Community, she will discuss her work and most recent book.

Lincoln **ANDREA PETERSEN SHARES**
Andrea Petersen is the author of *On Edge: A Journey Through Anxiety* and a contributing writer for the *Wall Street Journal*. She will discuss her experience living "on the edge" with anxiety disorder, the biological mechanisms of anxiety and groundbreaking research that might point the way to new treatments.

11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m. SPEECHES BY NAMI BOARD CANDIDATES

International Ballroom East & Center Hear from candidates who want to serve on the NAMI Board for the next three years.

1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m. EDUCATION PROGRAM DIRECTORS MEETING

Jefferson

1:30–4:15 p.m.**FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING
AND HILL DAY PREP****CE 2.75***International
Ballroom
East & Center***Hill Day Legislative Briefing, 1:30–2:30 p.m.**

Learn about NAMI's priority issues and what's happening on Capitol Hill before your Hill Day meetings with members of Congress. A former Hill staffer, NAMI's manager of military, veterans and policy, will provide an insider's view and valuable tips on meeting with congressional offices.

- Angela Kimball, National Director, Advocacy & Public Policy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Andrew Sperling, J.D., Director of Legislative Affairs, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Emily Blair, Manager, Military, Veterans & Policy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

Hill Day Prep, 2:45–4:15 p.m.

Meetings with members of Congress put a real face to mental health issues and help build support for better mental health care, but speaking to elected officials can be intimidating. That's why members of NAMI's Policy team will help you tell your story powerfully and effectively.

- Angela Kimball, National Director, Advocacy & Public Policy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Sita Diehl, M.A., M.S.S.W., Director of Policy & State Outreach, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Hannah Wesolowski, M.P.A., Director of Field Advocacy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Jessica W. Hart, M.S.W., Senior Manager, Field Advocacy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

4:30–5:30 p.m.**SPECIAL-INTEREST SESSIONS****CE 1.50***International
Ballroom
East & Center***Roles and Responsibilities in the NAMI Alliance:
NAMI State Organizations and NAMI Affiliates**

To achieve collective impact, NAMI National, State Organizations and Affiliates must work together to advance NAMI's mission, foster excellence and bolster NAMI as a leading voice on mental health. We must share an understanding of the fundamental organizational roles, responsibilities and expectations at all levels in the NAMI alliance and how to collaborate for best results. Please join NAMI's Field Capacity and Governance team to learn the roles and responsibilities at each level in the NAMI alliance and how this translates to the work of your State Organization or Affiliate.

*Monroe***What's New in Membership Starting July 1**

After the convention, NAMI's new Household Membership option and dues rates go into effect. Join us for an informative session about how this change will be supported in NAMI 360 and the tools available to support NAMI Affiliates in reaching out to members, both former and new.

- Bob Scott, Manager, Continuous Quality Improvement, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Elizabeth Monrad, Senior Associate, Membership & Governance, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

4:30–6:00 p.m.**SPECIAL-INTEREST SESSIONS****CE 1.50***Georgetown
West***NAMI Peer-to-Peer Program Leaders**

Learn about the new NAMI Peer-to-Peer program.

*Georgetown
East***NAMI Basics, Family-to-Family, Homefront and Provider Program Leaders**

Learn about collaborating with health care providers.

*Lincoln West***NAMI Ending the Silence and In Our Own Voice Program Leaders**

Learn about the new NAMI In Our Own Voice presentation.

*Lincoln East***Helpline and Data Outcomes**

Learn how the NAMI Helpline recently introduced new technology allowing NAMI to understand better who reaches out to us, identifying needs and spotting new trends, and collecting data for grant and sponsorship applications.

- James Stewart, CIO, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Kate Mallow, Manager, NAMI Helpline, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY JUNE 28

7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

MOVIE NIGHT: *ELIZABETH BLUE*

International
Ballroom
Center & East

Elizabeth Blue centers on Elizabeth (Anna Schafer), who is newly released from a psychiatric hospital and beginning to navigate her life while coping with ongoing psychotic episodes. Haunted by daily voices, hallucinations, anxiety, failing medications and a seemingly unsupportive mother (Kathleen Quinlan), Elizabeth works to regain control of her mental stability and her life with the support of her fiancé (Ryan Vincent) and new psychiatrist (Akinuoye-Agbaje).

The film was written and directed by Vincent Sabella, a Los Angeles-based artist with three other award-winning short films who is also living with schizophrenia. Sabella based the story on a period in his own life in 2010 when his medications failed, much like the character Elizabeth. During this time, Sabella's husband of 11 years, Indie Film Producer and Executive Joe Dain, struggled to find the right combination of medications, which took nearly a year.

- Vincent Sabella, Writer and Director, *Elizabeth Blue*, Los Angeles
- Joe Dain, Producer, *Elizabeth Blue*, Los Angeles

Join NAMI in Building a Movement



“NAMI was there to help when there was no one else. Membership means I’m paying it forward for other dads, moms and people like my son working to find recovery.”

—Al B., New Jersey

NAMI members are part of a diverse, action-driven community that is changing society for the better. Your membership dues and generous donations make NAMI's work possible, so join the movement and receive the following benefits:

- Learn from nationally recognized peer-led programs.
- Receive the *Advocate* magazine.
- Attend the NAMI National Convention at a discounted rate.
- Engage with caring, compassionate people.
- Connect to a nationwide network for support and encouragement.
- Access information you can trust.
- Join the fight to end stigma, improve access to mental health care and pass legislation to protect vital rights.

Become a member today at www.nami.org/Get-Involved/Join

Alkermes plc is a fully integrated global biopharmaceutical company that applies its scientific expertise and technological know-how to develop innovative medicines for the treatment of central nervous system (CNS) diseases, including schizophrenia, depression, addiction and multiple sclerosis.

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Over 300 NAMI State Organizations and NAMI Affiliates participate in NAMIWalks to raise awareness and engage supporters for the NAMI mission in their communities.

Funds raised through NAMIWalks directly support and strengthen local education programs, services and advocacy efforts for NAMI State Organizations and NAMI Affiliates across the United States.

Thanks to the support of our sponsors and participants, NAMIWalks is NAMI's largest fundraising and awareness campaign.



Janssen CNS applauds those working together at the county, state, and federal levels, especially at the intersection of criminal justice and mental health reform, to champion a better future for individuals with serious mental illness, including schizophrenia.

We can and should continue to set a higher standard for how we support individuals with serious mental illness.

Janssen's unwavering commitment to delivering innovative mental health therapies spans 50 years, and we will continue to champion treatments to improve the lives of those with serious mental illness.



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Yvonne Ford, Untitled Artwork from Reflections Art in Health



"Improving access to effective treatments is only one aspect of helping patients. By focusing on early intervention after diagnosis and advancing policies that ensure individuals with serious mental illness can get the care they need at the right time and in the right setting, we can improve health outcomes and reduce costs."

"Together, we can achieve real, positive change."
—Michelle Wang Goodridge
President, Janssen CNS

THURSDAY JUNE 29

7:45–8:45 a.m.

NAMI HILL DAY PLENARY

CE 1.25

International Ballroom

Mental health champions will send NAMI advocates to meetings on Capitol Hill with powerful reminders of how important it is to share stories and advocate for mental health issues with Congress.

- Mary Giliberti, J.D., CEO, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-Texas)
- U.S. Senator Chris Murphy (D-Conn.)

8:45 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

BUSES BETWEEN THE WASHINGTON HILTON AND CAPITOL HILL

*Terrace Foyer/
T St. Entrance*

Attendees will board buses with their state's delegation in the order of their scheduled appointments. The first group will depart at 9:00 a.m. Buses will return to the hotel at regular intervals until 3:30 pm.

10:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

HILL DAY CONGRESSIONAL VISITS

NAMI's Hill Day is our opportunity to stand together and speak up about important issues. Together, NAMI advocates will ask Congress to act in support of people with mental illness and their families. As a constituent of your members of Congress, your voice is important. Join us and help make an impact on Capitol Hill.

10:30 a.m.–noon

HOW TO TELL YOUR STORY AND CHANGE THE WORLD

CE 2.50

International Ballroom

Your story has value and can help change how others view mental illness. Whether you are a peer or family member, your story can make a difference. Learn how to easily and effectively tell your story. You will leave with a draft of your story that can help educate people around you on the real experience of mental illness.

- Schatzie Brunner, Author, *The Face of Depression*, Nashville, Tenn.
- Sita Diehl, M.A., MSSW, Director, Policy & State Outreach, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Julie Erickson, M.A., Manager, National Education Programs, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

1:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

Columbia Ballroom

1:30–2:45 p.m.

WORKSHOPS GROUP A

CE 1.25

Georgetown West

A.1–Advocating for Recommended Clinical Care When Coverage Is Denied

Individuals, their families and their mental health clinicians often feel helpless when managed care reviewers deny clinically recommended care. Learn about parity law requirements, the value of mobilizing the voice of the contract-holder and employer, cited research, practice guidelines and how to effectively advocate for needed and clinically recommended care using relevant tools and tactics.

- Andrew Gerber, M.D., Ph.D., Medical Director and CEO, Austen Riggs Center, Stockbridge, Mass.
- Eric Plakun, M.D., Associate Medical Director, Director of Biopsychosocial Advocacy, Austen Riggs Center, Stockbridge, Mass.

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A.2–Caring for the Caregiver

Challenges and concerns, including “secondary stigma,” touch both family members and close friends who care for loved ones with mental health conditions. Over time, caregivers become increasingly aware of their needs for self-care, good information, family, friendship and community connections. Coming together to explore these topics, caregivers can stay strong, hopeful and resilient by maintaining a quality of life for themselves and their families. Participants will explore the impact of challenges, the meaningfulness of caregiver work and essentials of self-care.

- Adrienne Kennedy, M.A., Second Vice President and Policy Chair, Board of Directors, NAMI and National Trainer, NAMI Basics and Provider Education, NAMI Austin, Texas
- Barbara Ricci, Managing Director, Deutsche Bank and Member, Board of Directors, NAMI and Co-President, Board of Directors, NAMI New York City Metro, N.Y.
- Debra Lerner, M.S., Ph.D., Senior Scientist, Tufts Medical Center, Institute for Clinical Research and Health Policy Studies (ICRHPS), Boston, Ma.
- Moderator: Sita Diehl, M.A., M.S.S.W., Director, Policy & State Outreach, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

Kalorama

A.3–Caring for the Spirit: The Role of the Arts, Faith and Community in Recovery

As individuals work in recovery, the power of arts, the role of faith and the importance of community are often neglected. Learn how a program focused on the arts became an opportunity for education and empowerment and how to replicate a model where individuals can be engaged, empowered and educated about the power of arts, faith and community in healing journeys.

- Nancy Kehoe, Ph.D., M.Ed., Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychology, Harvard Medical School, Belmont, Mass.
- Amanda Lipp, Consultant, Lipp & Assoc., Board Member, NAMI California, Sacramento, Calif.
- Michael Mack, Poet, Playwright and Actor, Cambridge, Mass.
- Richard Whitney, M.Div., M.A., Seminarian, The Paulist Fathers, Washington, D.C.

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Ballroom West

A.4–Criminal Justice Partnerships: Engagements Are Foundational Pillars Supporting Success and Sustainability

NAMI members are encouraged to participate in this engaging session to illustrate how CIT partnerships take shape and progress, some common challenges of mission plans and missed or overlooked solutions. Participants will learn how to formalize structured partnerships and establish CIT subcommittees and see first-hand the challenges of an engaging process.

- Sam Cochran, M.S., Major (Retired), CIT Coordinator, CIT International, Bartlett, Tenn.
- Josh Thomas, Ph.D., M.S., Executive Director, NAMI Delaware, Wilmington, Del.
- Laura Usher, M.S., Senior Manager, Criminal Justice & Advocacy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

Jefferson East

A.5–Borderline Personality Disorder: Through the Lens of Family Members

Emotion Regulation Group Therapy (ERFT) is a 14-week, empirically supported group treatment for self-injury among individuals with borderline personality disorder, designed to target both self-injury and its underlying mechanism. Though the treatment is well-known and widely implemented in other countries, it has not been as widely implemented in the U.S. Participants will learn about the content and research base of this novel treatment and its current support.

- Joy Sprague, Board Member, The National Education Alliance for Borderline Personality Disorder, Bainbridge Island, Wash.
- Perry Hoffman, Ph.D., President, The National Education Alliance for Borderline Personality Disorder, Mamaroneck, N.Y.
- Beth McCrave, Board Member The National Education Alliance for Borderline Personality Disorder, Elkins, NH

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WORKSHOPS GROUP A (continued)

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Jefferson West

A.6–Employment and Ongoing Support: That’s the “Ticket”!

Learn the three biggest myths about disability benefits and work and hear from a former Ticket to Work program participant with mental illness, her decision to work, and the services and ongoing support she received on her journey to employment. Participants will gain information to use when making informed decisions about work and will be empowered to succeed. Service-provider participants will be encouraged to consider becoming an approved Ticket to Work service provider.

- Michael Greenberg, Ticket Program Senior Specialist, Social Security's Ticket to Work Program, McLean, Va.
- Ana Morales, EN Development Manager, Social Security's Ticket to Work Program, McLean, Va.
- Elizabeth Jennings, NDI Consulting, Social Security's Ticket to Work Program, McLean, Va.

Lincoln West

A.7–Engaging Diverse Volunteers in the NAMI Mission

Recruiting diverse volunteers and ensuring their continued engagement is crucial for NAMI affiliates throughout the country. Volunteers who implement our programs must reflect the communities they serve and come from a wide variety of demographics and overall life experiences. Individuals, family members and professional participants will learn the value of volunteering with NAMI, hear diverse perspectives about volunteer involvement and have a chance to ask questions of volunteers who serve in signature programs.

- Jaime Ebersole, Director of Outreach and Special Projects, NAMI Metropolitan Baltimore
- Jeanetta E. Churchill, Associate Research Scholar, Morgan State University, Institute for Urban Research, Baltimore
- Phillip Vaughn, Community Outreach and Support Committee, Baltimore
- Hannah Weiss, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Baltimore

Lincoln East

A.8–Equipping Minds Through Games

The brain can change, as the latest research on neuroplasticity has proven. Cognitive and educational gains have been proven with this evidence-based curriculum, which everyone can replicate and use. Participants can put this research into practice by learning specific brain-training exercises that have been proven to increase working memory, processing and attention and long-term memory retrieval.

- Carol Brown, Ed.D., Executive Director and Educational Specialist, Equipping Minds, Frankfort, Ky.
- Moderator: Karen Gerndt, M.Ed., Director, National Education Programs, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

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A.9–Fighting Stigma in Schools: Testing the Effectiveness of NAMI’s Ending the Silence Presentation

NAMI’s Ending the Silence educates middle and high school students about the warning signs of mental illness, giving them the knowledge needed to seek help for themselves and others when needed. Learn about primary study results from six research sites as part of a three-year project to obtain evidence-based designation for NAMI Ending the Silence, which will help to break down current barriers in offering mental health education in schools across the country.

- Otto Wahl, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus, Graduate Institute of Professional Psychology, University of Hartford, Hartford, Conn.
- Corrie Thompson, M.A., Doctoral Practicum Student, Healing the Child Within, West Hartford, Conn.
- Sydea Ibtihaj Younus, Volunteer Research Assistant, The Diverse Family Relationships Lab, The George Washington University, Woodbridge, Va.
- Moderator: Jennifer Rothman, Program Manager, Information, Support and Education, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

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1:30–2:45 p.m.**WORKSHOPS GROUP A (continued)****CE 1.25***Monroe***A.10–Honest, Open, Proud to Erase the Stigma of Mental Illness**

The Honest, Open, Proud (HOP) anti-stigma program teaches tools and skills to people with lived experience to consider how they may self-disclose their experiences. Research shows that people who are out about their experiences have better physical and mental health. Self-disclosing, if one chooses to do so, is a powerful tool to reduce stigma by fighting stereotypes and promoting advocacy. Participants will learn how to bring similar programs to their communities.

- Kyra Newman, M.S.W., Director of Recovery, NAMI Chicago

*International
Ballroom Center***A.11–In Our Own Voice for Police and Other First Responders**

Education for police by individuals with lived experience and their families is crucial. Participants will hear the story of a peer-support specialist in recovery from a dual diagnosis and learn how individuals can train police by putting a face to severe mental illness, treatment and recovery. Presenters will illustrate the power of treatment and resiliency and how individuals can assist police and first responders by sharing their stories.

- Dianna Benefiel, Indiana Certified Recovery Specialist, NAMI Indianapolis, Plainfield, Ind.
- Ray Lay, Indiana Certified Recovery Specialist, NAMI Indiana and Veteran Peer Support Specialist, Hope Rising, Inc., Indianapolis

*Fairchild***A.12–Measuring the Outcomes that Matter**

Using innovative technologies to capture patient-reported information is viable in a behavioral health provider's clinical setting. Participants will learn how patient feedback can inform behavioral health treatment decisions by giving providers an actionable, direct and immediate set of patient-reported data to put their clinical skills to their best and highest use.

- Juan De Cardenas, M.B.A., Program Director – Outcomes, Beacon Health Options, Coral Gables, Fla.

*Holmead***A.13–Program Participants Guiding Mental Health Agencies**

Learn how tenants and program participants from 22 housing programs came together to form an advisory group to a CEO. Watch videos and learn about the steps that were taken from the participant-selection process and conflicts early on, how the agency supported the group and the three initiatives that the advisory group created in its first three years. Participants will learn how to think differently about program participant involvement in decisions and how to create an advisory group.

- Mark Jennings, M.S.W., M.Div., Deputy Director of Housing, Community Access, New York
- Carla Rabinowitz, J.D., Advocacy Coordinator, Community Access, New York

3:00–4:00 p.m.**DESSERT BREAK IN THE EXHIBIT HALL***Columbia Ballroom***3:00–4:30 p.m.****OPEN MIC WITH THE NAMI BOARD***International
Ballroom East*

Join the NAMI Board of Directors to talk about our common mission and goals, how we can accomplish our objectives and what role each of us can play in pursuing our goals.

4:15–5:00 p.m.**THE PHARMACOLOGY OF YOGA:
PRACTICES AND PERSPECTIVES FOR ACHIEVING WELLNESS***Fairchild*

Participants of all levels of physical ability are welcome at this engaging activity to increase knowledge of the energetic aspects of healing. Experience short practices of movement, guided meditation and sound to be introduced to the potential of meditation, sound and connection for improving peacefulness and resilience.

- LaGenia Bailey, Pharm.D., BCPP, RYT-500, Director, East West Integrative Healing, Chicago

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STATE CAUCUSES GROUP ONE

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STATE CAUCUSES GROUP TWO

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6:30–7:30 p.m.

GRIEVING SUPPORT GROUP

Fairchild

Attendees are welcome to join this gathering for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Participants are encouraged to bring photos of their loved ones to share.

- Adrienne Kennedy, M.A., Second Vice President and Policy Chair, Board of Directors, NAMI, and National Trainer, NAMI Basics and Provider Education, NAMI Austin, Texas

7:00–8:30 p.m.

NAMI CONNECTION RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP

Georgetown

7:30–9:00 p.m.

NEA.BPD FAMILY CONNECTIONS LEADER GATHERING

Monroe

7:30–9:00 p.m.

NAMI TALKS

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In these short, powerful talks, three authors invite us to learn about them, their experiences and their unique perspectives.

David Leite is the author of *Notes on a Banana: A Memoir of Food, Love, and Manic Depression*. He also founded the James Beard Award-winning website Leite's Culinaria. David will share how he discovered his passion for food and cooking while managing his bipolar mood swings by watching Julia Child and cooking.

Ron Powers is the author of *No One Cares About Crazy People: The Chaos and Heartbreak of Mental Health in America* and a Pulitzer Prize and Emmy Award-winning writer. In his latest work, he draws upon his family's personal encounters with the mental health care system as they helped their two sons with schizophrenia, and his extensive research into the past and present systems in America that "care" for people with mental illness. Ron's book is a "call to arms" for change.

Naomi Judd is the author of *River of Time: My Descent into Depression and How I Emerged with Hope* and a Grammy-winning musical superstar who will share her personal experience with depression and how that motivates her to spread awareness and encourage others.

Moderator: Schatzie Brunner, Author, *The Face of Depression*, Nashville, Tenn.

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Alabama	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Holmead East
Alaska	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Arizona	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Kalorama
Arkansas	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
California	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Lincoln East
Colorado	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Lincoln East
Connecticut	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Delaware	Not Holding a Caucus Meeting	
D.C.	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Georgetown West
Florida	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Jefferson East
Georgia	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Embassy
Hawaii	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Idaho	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom West
Illinois	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Kalorama
Indiana	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Iowa	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom East
Kansas	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Kentucky	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom West
Louisiana	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom East
Maine	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom West
Maryland	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Embassy
Massachusetts	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Holmead East
Michigan	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Minnesota	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom East
Mississippi	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom West
Missouri	Not Holding a Caucus Meeting	

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Montana	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Nebraska	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom West
Nevada	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Georgetown West
New Hampshire	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom East
New Jersey	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom East
New Mexico	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
New York	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Monroe
North Carolina	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Georgetown East
North Dakota	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Ohio	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Jefferson West
Oklahoma	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Georgetown East
Oregon	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Pennsylvania	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Monroe
Puerto Rico	Not Holding a Caucus Meeting	
Rhode Island	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom West
South Carolina	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Jefferson West
South Dakota	Not Holding a Caucus Meeting	
Tennessee	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Lincoln West
Texas	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Lincoln West
Utah	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom West
Vermont	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
Virginia	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Jefferson East
Washington	4:45–5:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center
West Virginia	Not Holding a Caucus Meeting	
Wisconsin	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Fairchild
Wyoming	5:45–6:30 p.m.	Int'l Ballroom Center

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8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Columbia Ballroom

EXHIBITS OPEN

9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Morgan Room,
Lobby Level

VOTING BY CREDENTIALLED REPRESENTATIVES ONLY

9:00–10:15 a.m.

RESEARCH UPDATES—GROUP ONE

CE 1.25

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Recovery After an Initial Schizophrenia Episode (RAISE)

- Lisa Dixon, M.D., M.P.H., Professor of Psychiatry, Columbia University Medical Center, and Director, Division of Mental Health Services and Policy Research & Center for Practice Innovations, New York State Psychiatric Institute, New York
- John Kane, M.D., Investigator, Center for Psychiatric Neuroscience, The Feinstein Institute for Medical Research and Chairman, Department of Psychiatry, The Zucker Hillside Hospital, and Chair and Professor, Psychiatry and Professor of Molecular Medicine, Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine, Manhasset, N.Y.

International
Ballroom West

Technology to Improve Care

- Steve Daviss, M.D., DFAPA, Chief Medical Information Officer, M3 Information and President, Fuse Health Strategies, Rockville, Md.

International
Ballroom East

Weight Loss and Overall Health

- Stephen Bartels, M.D., M.S., Professor of Psychiatry, Community and Family Medicine, The Dartmouth Institute, Lebanon, N.H.

10:45–noon

RESEARCH UPDATES—GROUP TWO

CE 1.25

Lincoln East
and Monroe

Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)

- Aaron Brinen, Psy.D., Staff Psychologist, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia
- Paul Grant, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia
- Ellen Inverso, Psy.D., Staff Psychologist, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia



Award presentation: Lifetime Achievement Award, presented to Dr. Aaron Beck, M.D., Director, Aaron T. Beck Psychopathology Research Center, and Emeritus Professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia

International
Ballroom East

Depression

- Carlos A. Zarate, M.D., Chief, Experimental Therapeutics and Pathophysiology Branch and the Section on Neurobiology and Treatment of Mood and Anxiety Disorders, Division Intramural Research Program, National Institute of Mental Health, and Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, The George Washington University, and Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Howard Medical School, Bethesda, Md.

International
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Smoking Cessation in Patients with Schizophrenia and Bipolar Disorder

- Anne Eden Evins, M.D., M.P.H., Director, MGH Center for Addiction Medicine
- William Cox, Family Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School, Boston

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Lincoln West

Two Perspectives on Genetics

- Daniel R. Weinberger, M.D., Director and CEO, Lieber Institute for Brain Development, and Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Neurology, Neuroscience and The Institute of Genetic Medicine, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore
- Elise Robinson, Sc.D., Department of Epidemiology, Harvard School of Public Health, Stanley Center for Psychiatric Research, Broad Institute and Harvard, Boston

12:45–2:00 p.m.

POSTER SESSIONS

Columbia
Ballroom

P.1–AKA/NAMI Partnership

NAMI and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (AKA) have a strong partnership. Learn more about this partnership, the many ways in which the organizations have been engaged together and how to identify, locate and reach out to your local AKA chapter and AKA members in your community.

- Rosalind Theresa Anderson, M.S.N., CRRN, Member, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and Board Member, NAMI Tyler, Mesquite, Texas

P.2–Assessing Levels of Stigma Among Mental Health Care Providers

PsychU is a movement to broaden awareness and encourage collaboration among health care professionals that is centered on improving mental health care. Across the U.S., as a virtual community, PsychU has joined more than 18,000 health care professionals ranging from social workers, pharmacists and psychiatrists to health care payers. Learn more about PsychU, goals and results from the OMS-HC survey and resources for stigma awareness and education.

- Deidra Montague Couch, Ph.D., Sr. Medical Science Liaison, Neuroscience Division, Lundbeck, Va.

P.3–Bringing CIT Principles to Our Jails and Prisons

Hear the diverse perspectives of how CIT is being used in multiple environments and in corrections, including views from a former prisoner, a law enforcement/CIT training officer and a presenter. Learn how to advocate for CIT in corrections in your community.

- David Deutsch, M.S.W., Executive Director, NAMI Ventura County, Camarillo, Calif.
- Jeff Fladen, M.S.W., Executive Director, NAMI Tennessee, Nashville, Tenn.

P.4–Creating Community Connections Through Arts-Based Research

Hear from a poet and artist about the experience of being a single parent of a child living with mental illness. Learn about her research project, poem and painting created from her experience and how to deploy arts-based research to engage in local communities and support NAMI Affiliates.

- Marcy Meyer, Ph.D., M.A., Associate Professor, Department of Communication Studies, Ball State University, Muncie, Ind.

P.5–Engaging Families and Building Resilience Through Dialectical Behavior Therapy

Dialectical behavior skills are symbiotic for families and individuals who struggle with emotion regulation. Participants will gain access to a detailed, step-by-step problem-management approach for dealing with difficult emotions. Families will learn why validation is important, what a validating environment looks like and how and when to use validation. Learn techniques in role-playing scenarios.

- Elizabeth Rose, Board Member, The National Education Alliance for Borderline Personality Disorder, Katy, Texas

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P.6—My Vision of the NAMI Llama

Hear Matthew's struggle with mental illness, his story of redemption and the creation of the llama mascot, and how it helped in his journey of recovery. Learn how he used the llama to grow his local affiliate from one county to 12 in just a few years. Participants will learn how to use the llama in their own affiliates and generate public interest in NAMI.

- Jessica Gruneich, J.D., Executive Director, NAMI Southwestern Illinois, O'Fallon, Ill.

P.7—Pennies for Progress: The Funding Landscape for Social Justice and People with Disabilities

Foundation giving for people with disabilities is distressingly low, but which funders are giving to benefit these communities? How much of this giving is for general support? Gain answers to these questions from a series of reports, including analysis of new data on giving for social justice and underserved communities, and learn how to advocate and advance systems-change strategies.

- Stephanie Peng, M.A., Research Associate, National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy, Washington, D.C.

P.8—Promising Practices to Improve Quality of Life in Young People with Schizophrenia and Other Severe Mental Illnesses

Learn about new and innovative comprehensive psychosocial intervention approaches for treating young people first experiencing a mental illness, including examples of programs and their results. Learn how to feel empowered to advocate for the most effective treatments for young adults in the early stages of mental illness and how to engage in your communities to make these programs a reality.

- Victoria Gonzalez, Board Member, NAMI, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.
- Beverley Watkins, Ph.D., M.S.W., Board Member, NAMI Southwestern Illinois, Edwardsville, Ill.

P.9—Secondary Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (SPTSD): Implications of Exposure to Secondary Trauma and Care for the Helping Professionals

Little professional support is given to the secondary trauma experienced by caregivers as a result of repeated exposure to the traumatic events shared by clients. Learn about SPTSD, available solutions and how to proactively care for yourself and colleagues.

- Kristie Knights, M.A., LPC, CEO and Founder, iRise Leadership Institute, Pittsburgh

P.10—Teaching Lived Experience in Academic and Public Spheres

Teaching lived experience is an effective way to reduce stigma and increase mental health awareness. Participants will learn to identify opportunities for lived-experience teaching and gain access to tools to create effective teaching sessions rooted in individuals' lived experiences. Learn practical tips and frameworks for creating and adapting teaching sessions within a variety of settings.

- Lisa Berger, M.P.P., Director of Recovery Services, Vinfen, Cambridge, Mass.
- Adrienne Gerken, M.D., Psychiatrist, McLean Hospital, Belmont, Mass.
- Dost Öngür, M.D., Ph.D., Chief, Psychotic Disorders Division, and Director, Schizophrenia and Bipolar Disorder Research Program, McLean Hospital, Belmont, Mass.

P.11—The Effectiveness of Peer and Family Support Early-Intervention Programs in Recovery

Peers and family members with lived experience offer unique strengths to people in acute care mental health settings. Learn about two novel and effective recovery-oriented programs based in psychiatric emergency rooms, inpatient units and crisis-stabilization houses, and the beneficial effects of peer and family support for people in crisis and their loved ones.

- Luz Pinto, M.B.A., Director, Hospital Transitions Programs, NAMI San Diego
- Brian Reisert, Peer Support Specialist, Next Steps Program and NAMI San Diego

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12:45–2:00 p.m.

POSTER SESSIONS (continued)

P.12—Utilizing Facebook and Twitter to Foster Support and Friendships, Create Awareness and Instigate Advocacy

Social media is easily accessible to millions across the country. It can be harnessed to assist people who struggle with mental illness. Very often, the internet is the only point of contact for those most isolated, and by creating a warm and welcoming space, they can achieve substantial wellness. Participants will be shown how to create mental health communities on Facebook and how to use Twitter to further connect and mobilize.

- Sonja Dawn Van Breda, Peer Advocate, NAMI NYC Metro, Bronx, N.Y.

P.13—Young Adults' Experience of Depression in the U.S.: Educating, Empowering and Engaging Stakeholders Through Technology

Learn about the innovative, multi-stakeholder approach used to develop a U.S.-based project on young adult experiences of depression. Learn from participants who have been integral to this project, hear stories of engagement and learn how to leverage technology to understand and communicate diverse experiences of depression.

- Nancy Pandhi, M.D., Ph.D., M.P.H., Assistant Professor, Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wis.
- Meghan Vieth, Project Participant, Advisor and Student, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wis.
- Meg Wise, Ph.D., Associate Scientist, School of Pharmacy, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wis.

1:00–2:00 p.m.

DESSERT BREAK IN THE EXHIBIT HALL

Columbia Ballroom

2:15–3:45 p.m.

MAJOR TOPIC SYMPOSIA

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Symposium: A Vision for a 21st Century Mental Health System

Effective mental health services and supports continue to emerge, yet we keep experiencing a broken mental health system and avoidable crises. The risks—and the promise—have never been greater. It's time to modernize mental health care to meet the needs of people with mental health conditions and families. What would a "21st Century mental health system" look like? How can we promote services and supports that work and change lives? This special topic symposium will feature a panel of leading experts sharing their vision for the mental health system.

- Richard Frank, Ph.D., Margaret T. Morris Professor of Health Economics, Harvard Medical School, former Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Boston
- Altha Stewart, M.D., Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Director of the Center for Health in Justice Involved Youth, University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC), President-elect of the American Psychiatric Association, Memphis, Tn.
- Keris Jän Myrick, M.B.A., M.S., Director, Office of Consumer Affairs, SAMHSA Center for Mental Health Services, Rockville, Md.
- Alison Barkoff, J.D., Director of Advocacy, Center for Public Representation, Former Special Counsel for Olmstead Enforcement in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.
- Angela Kimball, National Director, Advocacy & Public Policy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.



Award presentation: Lionel Aldridge Campions Award, presented to Thomas Wilkins

2:15–3:45 p.m.**MAJOR TOPIC SYMPOSIA (continued)***International
Ballroom
Center***Innovations in Reducing Incarceration**

The incarceration of people with mental illness in the U.S. is a national crisis. Each year, approximately 2 million people with serious mental illnesses are admitted to local jails, and more than 400,000 prison inmates are diagnosed with serious mental illness at any point in time. People increasingly agree that this incarceration is neither humane nor cost-effective. In response, some states and counties are implementing innovative programs to reduce unnecessary incarceration of people with mental illnesses. This special topic symposium will feature several of these approaches, including an initiative in Colorado to operationalize a unified formulary for psychiatric medications across the criminal justice and mental health systems and a comprehensive approach to reducing incarceration and linking people with mental health services in Arlington County, Va.

- Patrick K. Fox, M.D., Chief Medical Officer, Colorado Department of Human Services, Denver, Co.
- Leslie Weisman, L.C.S.W., Client Services Entry Bureau Chief, Arlington County Department of Human Services, Arlington, Va.
- Brian Berke, Captain, Arlington County Police Department, Arlington, Va.
- Ron Honberg, J.D., Senior Policy Advisor, NAMI, Arlington, Va. (Moderator)



Award presentation: Sam Cochran Criminal Justice Award, presented to Mark Gale

2:15–3:45 p.m.**NAMI UNGER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP DISCUSSIONS***Jefferson West***Studying Bipolar Disorder with Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells**

Bipolar disorder (BP) is a severe mood disorder affecting 5.7 million adults each year. Genetic studies have identified several genetic variants that increase risk for BP, but exactly how these variants increase risk is unknown. One important gene identified in multiple genetic studies of BP is the calcium channel gene, CACNA1C. This project investigates the cellular and molecular impacts of calcium signaling in stem cells from people with BP. Preliminary data suggest that their neurons have different calcium signaling patterns. These studies will help us better understand the mechanisms of genetic risk for BP and may help identify targets for new treatment options.

- Aislinn Williams, Ph.D., Clinical Lecturer, Dept. of Psychiatry, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Shattering the Bell Jar: Assessing the Impact of an Open-Communication Model in an Acute Inpatient Unit

Despite an increased focus on collaborative care within the field of medicine, person-centered care has been slower to reach the field of psychiatry compared with other medical specialties, and implementation on inpatient units is rare. Yet it is often more—not less—important for people in the midst of a mental health crisis to be involved in decisions about their care. Dr. Gerken will discuss the implementation of an open-communication model of care that incorporates principles of shared decision-making and dialogic practice on an acute inpatient unit, as well as the impact of these changes on person-centered outcomes.

- Adrienne Taylor Gerken, M.D., Adult Psychiatry, McLean Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital, Cambridge, Mass.

4:00–5:15 p.m.**WORKSHOPS—GROUP B****CE 1.25***Georgetown
West***B.1—An Examination of Student Mental Health Services and Supports in Institutions of Higher Education**

Be part of a discussion regarding findings from a nationwide research study that interviewed and surveyed policy and practitioner experts and students regarding policies and practices that support students in higher education. Learn about current mental health services and policies in higher education and the implications of the study, and identify policies that enhance the ability of students with mental health conditions to access equitable services.

- Jay Feldman, Ph.D., Program Director, RTI International, Berkeley, Calif.
- Deborah Tull, Ph.D., Director, Mental Health Services, CalMHSA L.A. College Consortium, Rolling Hills, Calif.

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4:00–5:15 p.m.

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B.2—Ask the Psychiatrist

Join Dr. Komrad for an open dialogue session that will allow participants to pose questions that have both short- and longer-term significance and help participants understand current treatments, appreciate other treatment alternatives, navigate the mental health system and meet longer-term rehabilitation goals.

- Mark Komrad, M.D., Psychiatrist, Sheppard Pratt Health System, Professor, Johns Hopkins University, and Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, University of Maryland, Towson, Md.

International
Ballroom East

B.3—Brilliantly Battling Burnout: Practical Information, Tools and Real-Time Exercises

Advocates, caregivers and providers for individuals with mental health conditions can experience burnout. Join facilitators to learn individual and systems-based conceptualizations of burnout, how to mitigate its effects and how to implement empirically supported anti-burn out techniques, including self-compassion, radical self-care and art therapy. Participants will learn how to assess their own level of burnout and how to create a burnout-prevention plan.

- Melinda Douangratdy, Psy.D., Postdoctoral Fellow, VA Palo Alto Health Care System, Palo Alto, Calif.
- Zara Drapkin, M.S.W., M.A., Psychosocial Rehabilitation Fellow, VA Palo Alto Health Care System, Palo Alto, Calif.
- Paul Hutman, Ph.D., Psychosocial Rehabilitation Fellow, VA Palo Alto Health Care System, Palo Alto, Calif.
- Danielle Knutson, M.S.W., Psychosocial Rehabilitation Fellow, VA Palo Alto Health Care System, Palo Alto, Calif.

Fairchild

B.4—Creating a Young Professionals Advisory Board to Support Your State or Local Affiliate

Engaging the next generation of leaders is crucial in our mission to educate, serve and advocate for individuals and families affected by mental illness. Members of NAMI NYC-Metro's Young Professionals Advisory Board will discuss how NAMI State Organizations and NAMI Affiliates can bring younger generations together to harness their creativity, drive and passion for mental health advocacy to change the national conversation, reduce stigma surrounding mental health, and help sustain and grow their organization. Five NAMI State Organizations or Affiliates will win \$1,000 each to start their own Young Professionals Advisory Board. NAMI-NYC Metro's YPAB team will pick winners based on best tweets about why they want to engage the next generation of mental health advocates using #NAMIcon17 and #NextGenYPAB during the workshop.

- Barbara Ricci, Managing Director, Deutsche Bank, and Member, Board of Directors, NAMI, New York
- Hasnah Alls, Conflicts Analyst, Schulte Roth & Zabel, Brooklyn, N.Y.
- Drew Train, Managing Partner, OBERLAND, New York
- Kunaal A. Kanagal, Analyst, J. Goldman & Co., L.P., New York
- Zak Sandler, Founding Member, Team Humanity, New York

Jefferson West

B.5—Discover New Ways to Help and Engage Your Community While Leveraging NAMI's Assets

An exciting new partnership will be announced—don't miss it. Learn successful strategies for engaging and building community, including how to offer helpline services, recruit volunteers, train volunteers and staff, build a social media presence and use technology to offer new learning opportunities. Participants will gain an opportunity for peer learning and support, as well as insight into leveraging information channels.

- Dawn Brown, Director, Information & Engagement Services, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Kate Mallow, Manager, NAMI Information Helpline, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

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*Jefferson East***B.6–NAMI In Our Own Voice, Reimagined**

NAMI has revamped the NAMI In Our Own Voice (IOOV) presentation materials. Learn about the relevant anti-stigma research, social science and internal review processes used to inform this project that are applicable to other anti-stigma initiatives and view a demo of the updated NAMI IOOV program.

- Schatzie Brunner, Author, *The Face of Depression*, Nashville, Tenn.
- Julie Erickson, M.A., Manager, National Education Programs, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Karen Gerndt, M.Ed., Director, National Education Programs, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

*Lincoln West***B.7–Preparing NAMI Affiliate Start-Ups for Success with Standards of Excellence**

As NAMI State Organization leaders continue to support affiliates through the Standards of Excellence process, we examine ways to integrate these standards into your overall start-up process. Hear from state and affiliate leaders about encouraging and supporting affiliate growth, establishing affiliate service areas, developing a start-up handbook and guiding new affiliates through the Standards of Excellence process.

- Holly Doggett, Executive Director, NAMI Texas, Austin, Texas
- Jim Hall, Founder & Leader, NAMI Greater Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas
- Stacy Hollingsworth, P.M.P., C.S.M., Consultant & Former Director of Affiliate Operations, NAMI Texas, Little Elm, Texas
- Angela Horner, Program Director, NAMI Greater Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas
- Lynne Saunders, Senior Advisor, Field Capacity, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

*Lincoln East***B.8–Recovery Supports for Family Members: Strategies and Resources Through the Lens of Peer Support**

Hear updated information from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) about efforts that promote recovery supports for family members through a peer-support model. Participants will explore strategies and resources available to assist family members in their diverse roles as caregivers, advocates, supporters and dependents to a loved one in adult recovery from mental illness.

- Wanda Finch, M.S.W., M.Ed., L.I.C.S.W., Captain, Senior Public Health Analyst, SAMHSA Center for Mental Health Services, Rockville, Md.
- Keris Jän Myrick, M.B.A., M.S., Director, Office of Consumer Affairs, SAMHSA Center for Mental Health Services, Rockville, Md.

*Monroe***B.10–Stories from Within: Standards for Mental Health Services in Correctional Facilities**

National Commission on Correctional Health Care standards have helped correctional facilities improve the mental health of their inmates, increase the efficiency of their mental health services delivery, strengthen their organizational effectiveness and reduce the risk of adverse patient outcomes. Stakeholders and decision-makers will learn how to educate families about the problems in correctional facilities and how to create a path of care for those with mental illness who have been arrested or detained.

- Jim Martin, M.S., Accreditation Specialist, Lieutenant (Asst. Jail Commander) Ret., National Commission on Correctional Health Care, Chicago
- Tracey Titus, A.S.N., Vice President of Accreditation, National Commission on Correctional Health Care, Chicago

*International Ballroom Center***B.11–Successful State Efforts to Involve Families and Caregivers in Mental Health Treatment**

New Hampshire has required that its state health system provide information to caregivers that is relevant to caring for patients, regardless of authorization. South Carolina requires providers to offer patients opportunities to sign releases for caregivers. Oregon requires hospitals to adopt protocols discharging patients admitted for mental illness and “encourages” signing releases. Companion legislation states what providers should release without authorizations and provides immunity from malpractice suits.

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Participants will learn about how the legislation was developed and passed.

- Ron Honberg, J.D., Senior Policy Advisor, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Bill Lindsey, Executive Director, NAMI South Carolina, Columbia, S.C.
- Ken Norton, M.S.W., Executive Director, NAMI New Hampshire, Concord, N.H.

Kalorama

B.12–Wearables and Mobile Health Platform for PTSD

Disease progression and treatment are currently monitored only in an irregular and discontinuous fashion, allowing disease progression and relapse to go undetected. Learn about strategies to implement, integrate and analyze continuous passive and ecological acquisitions of biosensor data covering multiple domains. Learn how to tailor a health-monitoring system to ensure that patients obtain immediate feedback and therapeutic intervention and to help health care providers identify and manage symptoms and direct treatment decisions.

- Daniela Brunner, Ph.D., Founder and President, Early Signal Foundation, New York
- Paul Dagum, M.D., Ph.D., Founder and CEO, Mindstrong Health, Los Altos Hills, Calif.
- Guilhem Dupont, M.B.A., President and CEO, Healios Inc., High Bridge, N.J.
- Magali Haas, M.D., Ph.D., M.S.E., President and CEO, Cohen Veterans Bioscience, Cambridge, Mass.

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B.13–YouthFest: Connecting Youth & Families with Peer Support

The YouthFest program engages youth who are isolated and disconnected from peer support while educating and supporting parents, caregivers and other family members in a supportive and fun setting. Attendees will learn components for successful long-term engagement of youth and young adults, learn strategies and expected outcomes for the YouthFest program and receive a toolkit for successful implementation of the program.

- Jeanne Comeau, President and CEO, NAMI Northern Virginia, Reston, Va.
- Taylor Johnson, Education Program Presenter and Member, NAMI Northern Virginia, Reston, Va.
- Lynn Rafferty, Parent and NAMI Family Support Group Facilitator, NAMI Northern Virginia, Reston, Va.

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5:30–6:45 p.m. ENDING THE DEATH PENALTY FOR MENTAL ILLNESS CE 1.25*International
Ballroom West*

A recent study found that 43% of individuals executed between 2000 and 2015 had been diagnosed with a mental illness at some point in their lives. The American Bar Association has long been concerned with this issue and has started a project to advocate for state legislation to eliminate the death penalty for people with mental illness. This special meeting will feature short presentations by the coordinator of this important project and three NAMI state leaders. The meeting will conclude with a discussion of how advocates can get involved in their states.

- Aurelie Tabuteau Mangels, Fellow, American Bar Association's Death Penalty Due Process Review Project, Mental Illness Initiative, Washington, D.C.
- Greg Hansch, Executive Director, NAMI Texas, Austin, Texas
- Barbara Moser, Director of Policy and Outreach, NAMI Indiana, Indianapolis
- Mira Signer, Former Executive Director of NAMI Virginia, Richmond, Va.
- Moderator: Ron Honberg, Senior Policy Advisor, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

5:30–6:45 p.m. INTERFAITH PRAYER AND SHARE SERVICES*Lincoln West*

This participatory gathering allows us to slow down, reflect and meet others on the faith journey. We invite attendees to contribute from your own faith tradition with silence, a song, a prayer, a reading or words of hope. Moments of Remembrance will honor friends and loved ones in a safe and sacred space. The service is easy to plan and can be replicated in your own organization.

6:30–8:00 p.m. NAMI CONNECTION RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP*Georgetown***6:30–8:00 p.m. NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP***Jefferson***8:00–9:30 p.m. FRIDAY MOVIE NIGHT***International
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East & Center****God Knows Where I Am***

The body of a homeless woman is found in an abandoned New Hampshire farmhouse. Beside her lies a diary that documents a journey of starvation and the loss of sanity, but is told with poignancy, beauty, humor and spirituality. For nearly four months, Linda Bishop, a prisoner of her own mind, survived on apples and rain water, waiting for God to save her, during one of the coldest winters on record. As her story unfolds from different perspectives, including her own, we learn about our systemic failure to protect those who cannot protect themselves.

- Todd Wider, M.D. and Jedd Wider, Esq., film producers and directors of distinguished and critically acclaimed social justice documentaries
- Joan Bishop, B.S. in Criminal Justice and M.Ed., sister of Linda Bishop, the film's subject
- Ken Norton, LICSW, Executive Director, NAMI New Hampshire
- Moderator: Pete Earley, best-selling author and mental health advocate

**9:30–10:00 p.m. NAMI VETERANS AND MILITARY COUNCIL (NVMC)
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SATURDAY JULY 1

9:00–10:30 a.m.

RESEARCH PLENARY

CE 1.5

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Dr. Joshua Gordon, the new director of the National Institute of Mental Health, is paving a new path in mental illness research. In his first six months, Dr. Gordon laid out top two priorities: funding research based on "excellent science" and supporting studies that have the potential to improve clinical care over the short, medium and long term. Dr. Gordon will share insights into the latest research findings and priorities from the nation's largest institution devoted to mental illness and will describe how the NAMI community can get involved in research aimed at improving lives.

- Dr. Joshua Gordon, M.D., Ph.D., Director, National Institute of Mental Health, Bethesda, Md.

10:45 a.m.–noon

NAMI ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING: EDUCATE. EMPOWER. ENGAGE

International
Ballroom

At this year's convention, we focused on education through learning together and from one another. Empowered, we took our message to representatives on Capitol Hill. We engaged in advancing our mission through sharing the goal to improve the lives of everyone affected by a mental health condition. The business meeting allows us to celebrate, honor and commend some of the many NAMI "superstars" and their hard work. We will introduce the NAMI Board of Directors, announce the results of the 2017 Board of Directors election and review annual reports from the President and Treasurer of the Board. Hear from CEO Mary Giliberti and Board President Steve Pitman.



Award presentations:

- Multicultural Outreach Award, presented to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Tennessee Chapters
- Rona and Ken Purdy Award to End Discrimination, presented to Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority
- Outstanding NAMI Member Award, presented to Pastor Leslie E. Jones
- Outstanding NAMI Affiliate Award, presented to NAMI Greater Houston

1:30–4:00 p.m.

INFORMATION, SUPPORT AND EDUCATION INSTITUTE

CE 2.5

Jefferson

NAMI provides information, support and education services that inspire hope and healing for communities affected by mental health conditions. Celebrate NAMI programs and support services and learn about current projects and plans for the future. We will recognize inductees into the NAMI Education Hall of Fame and hear a motivational message from the 2016 NAMI Education Inspiration Award recipient.

- Teri Brister, Ph.D., LPC, Director, Knowledge Integration, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Ken Duckworth, M.D., Medical Director, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Karen Gerndt, M.Ed., Director, National Education Programs, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Paul Surgenor, Ph.D., National Director, Information, Support & Education, NAMI, Arlington, VA
- Cheri Villa, Ph.D., M.P.A., M.A., Chief Operating Officer, NAMI, Arlington, Va.



Award presentation: Joyce Burland Inspiration Award, presented to Jeremiah Rainville, C.P.R.S.

1:30–4:00 p.m.

POLICY INSTITUTE

CE 2.5

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Hidden Heroes: Strengthening Support for Mental Health Caregivers

America's mental health caregivers are hidden heroes who provide invaluable support to family members who live with mental health conditions—often at a high cost to their own financial, physical and emotional health. This session highlights the challenges faced by family caregivers for children, adults and our nation's veterans who experience mental health conditions. Learn about best practices in supporting caregivers and opportunities for public policy solutions to strengthen support for America's caregivers.

Featured Keynote:

- Senator Elizabeth Dole, Founder, The Elizabeth Dole Foundation, Washington, D.C.

Panelists:

- Terri Tanielian, M.A., Senior Behavioral Scientist, RAND Corporation, Washington, D.C.
- Gail Gibson Hunt, President and CEO, National Alliance for Caregiving, Bethesda, Md.
- Betsey O'Brien, Director of Education Programs, NAMI South Carolina, Rock Hill, S.C.
- Adrienne Kennedy, M.A., NAMI Board of Directors, Austin, Texas

Moderators:

- Sita Diehl, M.A., M.S.S.W., Director, Policy & State Outreach, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Emily Blair, Manager, Military, Veterans & Policy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.



Award presentation: Richard T. Greer Advocacy Award, presented to Timothy Clement

4:15–5:30 p.m. NETWORKING SESSIONS

Georgetown

Advocacy Networking

Join advocacy leaders and executive directors to share victories, breakthrough strategies and lessons learned that could advance your mental health priorities. Discuss key takeaways as the convention draws to a close.

- Sita Diehl, M.A., M.S.S.W., Director, Policy & State Outreach, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

Lincoln

Family Caregiver Affinity Group Networking

You are not alone. More than 8 million Americans care for an adult child or other adult relative with a mental health condition. When informed and included, family caregivers can play a crucial role in supporting recovery. Too often, however, families get left out due to overly stringent agency confidentiality policies and a lack of provider incentive to include caregivers. This interactive discussion for families of adults will explore challenges and best practices for reducing caregiver burdens and including families in the treatment process.

- Adrienne Kennedy, M.A., Second Vice President and Policy Chair, Board of Directors, NAMI, and National Trainer, NAMI Basics and Provider Education, NAMI Austin, Texas

Holmead West

NAMI Veterans and Military Council Networking

Meet members of the NAMI Veterans and Military Council to share accomplishments and explore opportunities to help service members, veterans and their families.

- John Neibert, Chair, NAMI Veterans and Military Council, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

Holmead East

Best Practices from FCG Fund Development and Events

Whether you host a NAMIWalks event or seek new ideas on community engagement, this session from NAMI's Field Capacity and Governance (FCG) team will explore ways to turn everyday supporters into star fundraisers. Using the NAMIWalks model as an example, this session will show how incentives can deepen engagement with NAMI supporters, explain how to increase fundraising through social media and highlight best practices from across the country to "activate" fundraisers. Results from a recent national NAMIWalks campaign will be shared. Learn how collaboration in partnerships can elevate awareness, increase your reach into your community and more.

- Wayne Baldaro, Senior Manager, Fund Development and Events Team, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Kris Eschman, Manager, Fund Development and Events Team, NAMI, Arlington, Va.
- Darcey Mamone, Manager, Fund Development and Events Team, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

Embassy

Consumer Council Networking

Join leaders of the NAMI Consumer Council to share resources, advocacy strategies, program suggestions and ideas to increase outreach to people living with mental illness.

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Fairchild East

Latino, African-American and LGBTQ Joint Networking Session

Join Latino, African-American and LGBTQ members and leaders in a listening session with the NAMI Field Capacity and Governance team to hear about the important work of these special-interest populations to advance NAMI's mission and to discuss how to maximize participation in the NAMI alliance. Each special-interest population will have time to connect and talk.

Fairchild West

NAMI FaithNet Networking

NAMI leaders and members are invited to network and share ideas and resources and discover what others are doing to become catalysts for change in their own communities.

5:30–6:30 p.m.

STEPPING UP/CRIMINAL JUSTICE NETWORKING SESSION

Monroe

Join fellow advocates and leaders who are advancing Stepping UP and other criminal-justice mental health initiatives in their communities. Share ideas, challenges, opportunities and resources for reducing the criminalization of people with mental illness.

- Laura Usher, Manager, Criminal Justice & Advocacy, NAMI, Arlington, Va.

7:00–9:00 p.m.

CLOSING BANQUET

International Ballroom

Celebrate a joyful evening to close out the 2017 NAMI National Convention. Reflect on the achievements of the past year and draw on new energy generated by the convention to embrace the upcoming year. Additionally, the Capitol Steps comedy troupe will provide plenty of music, laughter and political satire.



Award presentations:

- Young Leader Award, presented to Rachel Ritchie
- Distinguished Service Award, presented to Chirlane McCray

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TIPS & USEFUL INFORMATION

CONTINUING EDUCATION CONTACT HOURS

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Sessions with CE contact hours are marked in the program with the following icon:

CE 1.25 Keep track of which sessions you attend so you have the information necessary to complete your application.

Participants are responsible for verifying with their own respective state board/agencies that the CEs offered at the convention through accreditation are accepted in their home states.

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- There is a \$15 fee to apply for credits.
- You must apply for credit at the CE Desk on-site at the convention within 24 hours after the session so we can verify session attendance.
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NAMI welcomes people with mental illness attending the convention and offers several special services for them. People with mental illness are encouraged to visit the Welcome Center, located in the Cardozo Room on the Terrace Level. The Welcome Center offers an opportunity to relax and talk with others; peer counselors will be available to assist if needed. Prescriptions and lab services can be arranged through the Welcome Center. NAMI is grateful for the support of Beacon Health Options for making the Welcome Center a part of the convention. For opening hours, see page 6.

DO'S AND DON'T'S

- Do turn cellphones to vibrate or mute when attending a session as a courtesy to fellow attendees and speakers.
- Do wear your name badge at all times during the convention. It is required for entrance into the exhibit hall and sessions.
- Do pick up ribbons for your name badge at the NAMI Information Desk.
- Do check the message board located in the NAMI registration area. Messages for attendees can be posted here, and any last-minute programming changes will be listed.
- Do Tweet and use social media to talk about the convention. Use #NAMIcon17 when posting.
- Do download the NAMI app, which provides another way for people to find and give support to and connect with others.
- Do ask for assistance if needed. NAMI staff members and volunteers, as well as hotel staff, are available to help.
- Do visit the NAMI Bookstore in Guston West.
- Do donate your Closing Banquet ticket at the NAMI Registration Desk if you will not be using it; this will make it available to a volunteer working at the convention.
- Do not smoke at any convention event or in any public areas of the Hilton. Smoking is only permitted outside the hotel building.
- Do not take reserved seats at the front of the room during the plenary sessions. These are reserved for sight-impaired, deaf and hard-of-hearing attendees.

TIPS & USEFUL INFORMATION FOR NAMICON17

DINNER TICKET

All full convention registrants received a ticket for Saturday night's Closing Banquet with their registration materials. For those not registered for the full convention, tickets for the Closing Banquet must be purchased and are available for \$65 at the NAMI Registration Desk.

NAMI RESOURCES

Resources about NAMI services, policy issues, NAMI-Walks, educational programs and all things NAMI are available at www.nami.org.

PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY

Film and photography efforts may be ongoing during the convention. Consequently, attendees may be featured in NAMI-related motion picture footage, still photographs or sound recordings for art, advertising, trade or other lawful purposes. By attending the convention, you grant NAMI the right to use such multimedia in print, electronic or other media and waive any right to inspect or approve such multimedia.

PLANNING YOUR PERSONAL CONVENTION SCHEDULE

- Review the program schedule carefully and plan your personal schedule. You will not be able to attend everything.
- Devise a schedule as a group to cover as many sessions as possible.
- Schedule breaks and rest periods for yourself.
- Purchase audio recordings of the sessions you were not able to attend.
- Attend the Convention Orientation on Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., especially if you are a first-time attendee.
- To apply for CEs, visit the check-in each day to get your credits approved, located next to the NAMI Information Desk. Mark your attendance on your program so you can remember which sessions you attended.

DINING OUT

Looking for somewhere to eat? Visit the NAMI Information Desk or the hotel concierge.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost something? The NAMI Information Desk and hotel security serve as the lost-and-found.

AUDIO RECORDINGS OF CONVENTION SESSIONS

Nearly all sessions will be recorded and available on CD. An order form is included in the registration packet, or individuals may stop by the VW Tape Sales Desk. These audio recordings are an excellent way to share the convention with NAMI State Organization and Affiliate members who were not able to attend.

COMMITMENT

Together, we can make a difference.

Since 1921, Otsuka has been on a mission to create new products for better health worldwide. Today, our commitment to developing new products and innovative solutions to meet some of healthcare's most complex challenges has never been stronger. We are proud to help improve NAMI in their efforts to help improve the lives of the millions of Americans affected by mental illness.

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NAMI is proud to honor the following individuals and organizations for their outstanding work in furthering the goals of our movement.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Chirlane McCray

The Distinguished Service Award recognizes exceptional efforts to further NAMI's goal of improving the lives of people living with mental illness. NAMI is proud to recognize First Lady of New York City Chirlane McCray with the 2017 Distinguished Service Award.

Chirlane is a co-creator of ThriveNYC, a set of 54 initiatives to address the mental health crisis in New York City. Chirlane showed tremendous leadership in establishing the key issues addressed by ThriveNYC and in bringing together thought leaders, agencies and individuals impacted by mental illness to create this highly effective plan to improve the mental services and supports available in the city. She and Mayor De Blasio launched ThriveNYC as a comprehensive plan to end the mental health crisis in New York City. But she didn't stop there.

Recognizing the power and importance of local government, Chirlane and her team are engaging cities across the country to work together to improve mental health services, with a goal of having more than 300 cities join the Thrive coalition to improve mental health services and supports across the nation. Chirlane is using her leadership position as First Lady of the largest city in the country to raise visibility about the mental health crisis, to eliminate stigma and to make positive change across the country for individuals and families impacted by mental illness.

This award will be presented at the Closing Banquet on Saturday, July 1.

LIONEL ALDRIDGE CHAMPIONS AWARD

Thomas Wilkins

The Lionel Aldridge Champions Award recognizes an individual living with mental illness who exhibits courage, leadership and service on behalf of all people living with mental illness. NAMI proudly recognizes Thomas Wilkins, Board President of NAMI Pinellas County in Florida.

Thomas Wilkins has demonstrated courage, service and leadership throughout his life. In the 1970s, right out of an inner-city high school in Baltimore, he joined the Army, serving as an infantryman in Vietnam. For his courageous service, Thomas received two Purple Hearts for combat-related head wounds. After military service, his combat experience, wounds and mental condition all contributed to his breakdown, which resulted in several years in a state prison. Once released, Thomas drew upon his inner courage and committed to a NAMI Pinellas Peer-to-Peer course at a VA facility. That exposure has drawn him to become a NAMI activist for the past eight years.

Thomas is totally committed to the NAMI mission. He ensures fidelity to NAMI programs and policy, as he leads by example. His service to and leadership in NAMI is unparalleled. Now on our Board of Directors, Thomas continues as a Peer-to-Peer facilitator, a Connections Support Group facilitator and a key presenter at our Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) program (Consumer Perspective), including to over 175 prison detention deputies. Thomas serves his country and community through his leadership despite his difficult personal battle with a serious mental illness.

This award will be presented at the Criminal Justice Symposium's A Vision for a 21st Century Mental Health System session on Friday, June 30.

MULTICULTURAL OUTREACH AWARD

Alpha Kappa Alpha Phi Psi Omega Chapter

The Multicultural Outreach Award honors effective efforts to ensure that diversity and inclusion are high priorities within NAMI. NAMI proudly recognizes the Alpha Kappa Alpha Phi Psi Omega Chapter.

The Alpha Kappa Alpha Phi Psi Omega Chapter has done significant work in the community to improve the lives of people with mental illness. Within the last year they produced an AKA/PPO NAMI "Breaking the Stigma" video, attended NAMI UGCNoMI monthly meetings to stay updated on what's going on in the community and opportunities, received a Mental Health & First Aid Certification, assisted with NAMI Awareness Day, participated in a NAMIWalk, organized Yoga in the Park, assisted with the Bebe Moore Campbell Minority Mental Health Event, organized Mental Illness Awareness Week, helped with a NAMI/ReelAbilities St. Patrick's Day film showing and much more.

This award will be presented during the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, July 1.

OUTSTANDING NAMI MEMBER AWARD

Pastor Lesley E. Jones

The Outstanding NAMI Member Award is the highest honor given by NAMI to a member in recognition of his or her long and effective work toward accomplishing NAMI's goals. This year, NAMI proudly recognizes Pastor Lesley E. Jones, a member of NAMI Urban Greater Cincinnati.

Pastor Lesley has been a long-time member and advocate for individuals with mental illness in her congregation and the community. In addition, Pastor Lesley has presented the Sharing Hope program to the community and its local churches. There is also a health and wellness program at her congregation, where all are welcomed. Pastor Lesley's congregation participated in the local Cincinnati churches' health fair, where mental health screenings and resources were provided.

This award will be presented at the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, July 1.

RICHARD T. GREER ADVOCACY AWARD

Timothy Clement

The Richard T. Greer Advocacy Award, named after NAMI's first legislative director and lifelong grassroots advocate, recognizes leadership and vision in advocacy. NAMI proudly recognizes Timothy Clement, senior policy advisor of The Kennedy Forum in Philadelphia.

Tim is an expert and driving force behind mental health parity implementation and enforcement. Thanks to his diligence and technical ability, millions of Americans will benefit from stronger mental health insurance coverage. As senior policy advisor for ParityTrack, a joint initiative of The Kennedy Forum and the Scattergood Foundation, Tim coordinates a partnership of national organizations, including NAMI, to promote legislation and regulation, drive consumer and provider complaints, and monitor litigation. Tim's knowledge of mental health and addiction parity is deep and extensive. He and his colleagues laid a strong foundation for their work by conducting an in-depth environmental scan of state and federal parity policy. Their findings were made publicly available on the ParityTrack website.

Tim, who coordinated the development of a model state parity law, is extraordinarily responsive to state NAMI and their allies who wish to shape the bill to fit their state policy environments. He drafts potential state laws and regulations, educates stakeholders and responds to technical requests from advocates and policymakers. With Tim's help, the drive to end health insurance discrimination against people with mental health and substance use disorders is advancing markedly.

This award will be presented at the Policy Institute on Saturday, July 1.

AWARDS CONTINUED

RONA AND KEN PURDY AWARD TO END DISCRIMINATION

Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority

The Rona and Ken Purdy Award honors an individual or organization that has done significant work in raising public awareness about mental illness and reducing stigma. NAMI proudly recognizes the Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority (DWMHA), which is leading the state of Michigan in advocacy, collaboration and innovation as it serves Wayne County consumers and their families.

DWMHA is determined to end mental health discrimination. It created a marketing campaign inspired by local youth using dozens of billboards and buses throughout neighborhoods and major thoroughfares to help raise awareness and end the cycle of social stigma. DWMHA brings community partners together to create change. DWMHA joined with the Ethel and James Flinn Foundation and NAMI Michigan to develop an anti-stigma documentary titled "Opening Minds, Ending Stigma." It reached tens of thousands of viewers, airing on both CBS and NBC local affiliate stations; it has been shared widely within the mental health community nationwide, bringing deeper awareness to the stigmas still present in society.

The Emmy-nominated documentary was also recognized by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Voice Awards for raising public awareness and by consumer/peer/family leaders, whose work and personal stories of resilience demonstrate that recovery from mental health conditions and addictions is not only possible but takes place every day.

This award will be presented at the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, July 1.

SAM COCHRAN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AWARD

Mark Gale

This award, named after the founder of the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training program, recognizes outstanding work in the criminal justice system to deal fairly and humanely with people living with mental illness. NAMI proudly recognizes Mark Gale, Criminal Justice Chair of the NAMI Los Angeles County Council.

Mark represents NAMI on the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Criminal Justice Mental Health Advisory Board, is a member of the Permanent Steering Committee of the Office of Diversion and Reentry and leads the NAMI CIT partnership with law enforcement in Los Angeles County. Mark represented NAMI California on the Judicial Council's Task Force for Criminal Justice Collaboration on Mental Health Issues and was recently appointed to the Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee.

Mark also co-authored a guide, "My Family Member Has Been Arrested. What Do I Do?," and developed an Inmate Mental Health Information Form. In addition, he received the 2014 NAMI California Criminal Justice Advocate Award.

Mark has developed an exceptional training program for CIT that prepares NAMI peers and family members to present to a law enforcement audience. The toolkit provides information, guidelines, timelines, sample discussion questions and development of personal stories that maintain relevancy and positive messaging supporting the goals of CIT. Mark is an innovative leader who deserves recognition for his excellent work on the decriminalization of people with serious mental illness.

This award will be presented at the Criminal Justice Symposium's Innovations in Reducing Incarceration session on Friday, June 30.

YOUNG LEADER AWARD

Rachel Ritchie

NAMI's Young Leader Award recognizes a young adult between the ages of 16 and 30 who exhibits exceptional leadership, increases resiliency, promotes recovery and works to ensure that young people living with mental illness live a full life in the community. NAMI proudly recognizes Rachel Ritchie from Oxford, Ohio.

An outstanding young adult, Rachel was a member of NAMI National's Young Adult Advisory Group from March 2015 to March 2017, during which time she advocated for more programs to raise the visibility of the importance of mental health among youth and young adults. Rachel also worked with the STARR Coalition at its annual meeting in October 2016, where she was one of eight presenters to represent young adults living with mental illness. Rachel was recently accepted into her top choice for graduate school, with the goal of earning a Master's degree in school psychology. Rachel's passion for mental health advocacy, particularly as it pertains to youth and young adults, is inspiring and deserving of this year's NAMI Young Leader Award.

This award will be presented at the Closing Banquet on Saturday, July 1.

KENNETH STEELE AWARD

Christine Thompson

The Ken Steele award recognizes outstanding contributions by an individual living with mental illness to improve quality of life, increase empowerment and promote integration and inclusion for his or her peers. The NAMI Consumer Council proudly recognizes Christine Thompson.

An active consumer advocate at the local, state and national levels, Christine is a leader who instills hope in her peers and works with a diverse population. Christine is also a state trainer for IOOV and a presenter. She has been trained in NAMI Peer-to-Peer and facilitates a weekly Connections support group. She also has served on a number of boards of directors, including her NAMI Affiliate and NAMI State Organization boards. Christine's devotion to helping peers is noticeable in her daily life, making her an outstanding recipient of this year's award.

This award will be presented at the Consumer Council Business Meeting on Wednesday, June 28.

JOYCE BURLAND INSPIRATION AWARD

Jeremiah Rainville, C.P.R.S.

The Joyce Burland Inspiration Award is given to an exemplary NAMI program director or program leader who has demonstrated creativity, dedication and resourcefulness to expand the NAMI programs he or she oversees. NAMI proudly recognizes Jeremiah Rainville, C.P.R.S., who turned personal hardship into healing and hope for others.

Despite the odds and obstacles, Jeremiah found an inner strength that inspired him to devote his life to helping others find their personal pathways toward recovery. In 2011, Jeremiah began his involvement with NAMI Rhode Island through a clubhouse program. He now serves as Peer Program Manager for the state, managing the expanding Connection Recovery Support Groups, Peer-to-Peer classes and NAMI Rhode Island's peer volunteer program. While serving on the NAMI Consumer Council and steering committee for the Mental Health Recovery Coalition of Rhode Island, he always makes time for a peer in need. He is a talented poet, a devoted advocate for NAMI and an inspiring example of what it means to live well with a mental illness.

This award will be presented at the Information, Support and Education Institute on Saturday, July 1.

OUTSTANDING NAMI AFFILIATE AWARD

NAMI Greater Houston

The Outstanding NAMI Affiliate Award is given in recognition of exceptional efforts at the local level in carrying out the NAMI mission as defined by the NAMI Standards of Excellence. This year, NAMI is proud to present NAMI Greater Houston with the Outstanding NAMI Affiliate Award.

NAMI Greater Houston has demonstrated excellence in their strong board leadership, governance and reaching out to diverse communities through events, NAMI Walks and providing quality year-round education programs in English and Spanish. NAMI Greater Houston most recently finished the re-affiliation process and was re-affiliated by the NAMI Board in November 2016.

This award will be presented at the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, July 1.

EXHIBITORS

NAMI thanks all Convention exhibitors, whose contributions and efforts support the NAMI movement. Convention attendees are encouraged to visit the Exhibit Hall, located in the Columbia Ballroom.

Alkermes — Booth 110

alkermes.com

Waltham, Mass.

Alkermes is a fully integrated biopharmaceutical company that applies its scientific expertise and technological know-how to develop innovative medicines designed to help patients with serious, chronic conditions better manage their disease.

Allsup — Booth 205

AllsupES.com

Expert.Allsup.com

Belleville, Ill.

Allsup and its subsidiaries provide nationwide Social Security disability, veterans disability appeal, re-employment, exchange plan and Medicare services. For a free SSDI eligibility screening, visit Expert.Allsup.com or call 888-841-2126. For re-employment services, visit www.Expert.Allsup.com www.AllsupES.com.

Anthem — Booth 415

anthem.com

Fort Washington, Md.

Anthem and its affiliated health plans have 25 years of experience and currently serve 6.5 million beneficiaries of state-sponsored programs in 20 states, including older adults, low-income families, adults and children with physical disabilities, brain injuries, intellectual and developmental disabilities and severe mental illnesses, and children with serious emotional disturbances.

Ask the Psychiatric Pharmacist — Booth 216

Members of the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists (CPNP) will answer medication questions and may offer information sessions regarding medications.

Beacon Health Options — Booth 203

beaconhealthoptions.com

Norfolk, Va.

Beacon Health Options is a health-improvement company serving 50 million individuals across the globe. As a national leader in mental and emotional well-being, substance use, recovery and resilience, employee assistance and wellness, we are committed to stamping out the stigma associated with mental illness and substance use.

Boys Town National Research Hospital — Booth 213

boystownhospital.org

Omaha, Neb.

The Boys Town Residential Treatment Center is designed to offer medically directed care for more seriously troubled youth who require supervision, safety and therapy but do not require inpatient psychiatric care. The program offers around-the-clock supervision, locked facilities, and numerous other safety and program features.

bp Magazine & esperanza — Booth 214

bphope.com

Buffalo, N.Y.

Bp Magazine and esperanza are award-winning quarterly magazines that serve to empower people living with bipolar disorder, anxiety and depression. Both publications deliver cutting-edge research and news and are packed with in-depth features and first-hand accounts of celebrities and "everyday heroes" striving toward their own recoveries.

Brain & Behavior Research Foundation — Booth 308

New York, N.Y.

The Brain & Behavior Research Foundation is committed to alleviating the suffering caused by mental illness by awarding grants that will lead to advances and breakthroughs in scientific research. Since 1987, we have awarded more than \$365 million to fund more than 5,000 grants to more than 4,000 scientists around the world.

Center for Cognition and Recovery — Booth 215

cetcleland.org

Cleveland, Ohio

The Center for Cognition and Recovery, 2011 SAMHSA Award Winner, nationally disseminates CET (Cognitive Enhancement Therapy) CLEVELAND®, an EBP (41 CETCLEVELAND® sites in 12 states). CETCLEVELAND® reduces cognitive deficits and improves social cognition and vocational effectiveness. Averaging 75% attendance/graduation rates over 48 weekly sessions, CET increases functionality for people recovering from schizophrenia.

**CHADD's National Resource Center
for ADHD — Booth 211**

chadd.org

Lanham, Md.

CHADD is a national nonprofit organization providing education, advocacy and support for individuals with ADHD. The National Resource Center, a CDC-funded program of CHADD, provides free evidence-based information, education and support services for people with ADHD, their caregivers and the professionals who treat them.

Clubhouse International — Booth 206

clubhouse-intl.org

New York, N.Y.

Clubhouse International is a nonprofit organization that helps communities around the world create sustainable mental health solutions by developing and nurturing Clubhouse programs. Clubhouses are community-based centers offering people living with mental illness opportunities for friendships, employment, housing, education, health and social services through a caring environment.

**College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists
(CPNP) — Booth 218**

cpnp.org

Lincoln, Neb.

As the voice of the neuropsychiatric pharmacist specialty, CPNP's mission is to advance the reach and practice of neuropsychiatric pharmacists.

CooperRiis Healing Community — Booth 312

cooperriis.org

Mill Spring, N.C.

CooperRiis Healing Community, a progressive mental health treatment program for adults, offers a blend of purposeful work in a therapeutic community, along with clinical care that supports wellness. Residents benefit from therapy, yoga, high-quality nutrition and the arts. Supported by science, CooperRiis provides a person-centered, strength-based recovery approach.

Gould Farm Booth — Booth 208

gouldfarm.org

Monterey, Mass.

Gould Farm is the first residential therapeutic community in the nation dedicated to helping adults with mental health and related challenges move toward recovery, health and greater independence through community living, meaningful work and clinical care.

Greystone Residential Program — Booth 307

greystoneprogram.org

Philadelphia, Pa.

The Greystone Residential Program, situated on the beautiful campus of Friends Hospital in Philadelphia, is a private-pay, licensed community residence for adults with serious mental illness. Fully accredited by The Joint Commission, Greystone offers long- and short-term residential stays that include structured programming designed to maximize potential and build independent-living skills.

Harvard Brain Tissue Resource Center — Booth 314

hbtrc.mclean.harvard.edu

Belmont, Mass.

The Harvard Brain Tissue Resource Center was established as a resource for the collection and distribution of human brain specimens for brain research.

Health Experiences Research Network — Booth 313

healthexperiencesusa.org

Madison, Wis.

The Health Experiences Research Network, launched in 2014, is a partnership between University of Wisconsin, Johns Hopkins University, Oregon Health & Science University and Yale University. Health Experiences Research Network is committed to implementing the DIPEX methodology for collecting and producing patient narratives so that the qualitative work is interpretive, deeply descriptive and holistic.

**Heinz C. Prechter Bipolar Research Program at the
University of Michigan — Booth 212**

prechterfund.org

Ann Arbor, Mich.

The Heinz C. Prechter Bipolar Research Program is a premier research entity focused on personalizing treatment of bipolar disorder to prevent recurrences and to enable those living with the illness to lead healthy and productive lives. The mission of the Prechter Program is to provide a repository of longitudinal clinical, genetic and biological data to investigators worldwide for collaborative research on the causes, prevention and treatment of bipolar disorder.

Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. — Booths 104 & 106

janssen.com

Titusville, N.J.

Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a pharmaceutical company of Johnson & Johnson, has a longstanding legacy of developing innovative therapies, especially in mental health. Janssen pioneered the development of long-acting atypical injectable antipsychotics for schizophrenia, offering patients long-acting symptom control.

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Kaiser Permanente — Booth 108

kp.kaiserpermanente.org

Oakland, Calif.

Kaiser Permanente is one of America's leading health care providers of nonprofit health plans. We currently serve more than 11.3 million members in eight states and the District of Columbia, providing high-quality, affordable health care services that improve the total health of our members and the communities we serve.

Lakewood Center — Booth 210

lakewoodcenter.org

Fern Park, Fla.

La Amistad Foundation, Inc. is a private, nonprofit, long-term residential psychiatric treatment facility for adults with schizophrenia, spectrum disorders, bipolar and depression. The nursing, social work, activities work programs and personal care staff provide a safe and active community that helps develop independent functioning.

MedStar Washington Hospital Center Outpatient Behavioral Health Services — Booth 411

medstarwashington.org

Washington, D.C.

A team of psychiatrists and therapists offer evaluation, medication management, and therapy for adult patients in both short and long-term outpatient programs.

Merry Meadow Farm — Booth 209

merrymeadowfarm.com

Bradford, Vt.

Merry Meadow Farm is a licensed Therapeutic Community Residence with homes in Hanover, N.H., and Bradford, Vt. We assist individuals coping with a persistent emotional illness. We offer a homestyle environment with a wide range of therapeutic interventions. Lengths of stay include respite, transitional and long term.

National Education Alliance for Borderline Personality Disorder — Booth 315

borderlinepersonalitydisorder.com

Bainbridge Island, Wash.

NEA.BPD is the nation's leading 501(c)3 on borderline personality disorder. The mission is to raise public awareness, provide education and research to enhance the quality of life for families, professionals and those affected by this serious mental illness. NEA.BPD provides an extensive online BPD resource center.

National Commission on Correctional Health Care — Booth 311

ncchc.org

Chicago, Ill.

For 40 years, NCCHC has been committed to improving the quality of health care in jails, prisons and juvenile-confinement facilities. NCCHC offers standards and accreditation for health services, mental health services and opioid treatment programs, professional certification and other resources to help correctional health systems provide efficient, high-quality care.

Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc. — Booth 217

neurocrine.org

San Diego, Calif.

Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc. discovers and develops innovative and life-changing pharmaceuticals utilizing our novel R&D platform. Neurocrine's efforts are focused on conditions with high unmet medical needs, specifically in neurologic-, psychiatric- and endocrine-based diseases and disorders.

NeuroStar Advanced Therapy — Booth 112

neurostar.com

Malvern, Pa.

NeuroStar Advanced Therapy is proven to help people who haven't benefited from prior antidepressant medication. The treatment is covered by most insurance plans. NeuroStar Advanced Therapy is the #1 TMS choice of doctors, with over 1 million treatments having been performed. It is the only TMS with durability demonstrated over 12 months, backed by the largest clinical dataset of any TMS for depression.

NIMH — Booth 407

nih.gov

Rockville, Md.

The National Institute of Mental Health is part of the National Institutes of Health, an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. NIMH conducts and supports research on the brain and disorders of mental health.

NIMH Schizophrenia Research — Booth 305**nimh.nih.gov**

Bethesda, Md.

The National Institute of Mental Health Schizophrenia Research Program is located on the NIH campus in Bethesda, Md. The inpatient program combines state-of-the-art research with excellent clinical care. Outpatient studies seek to understand the genetic and nongenetic factors that increase risk for schizophrenia. For details, call 888-674-6464. Applications are currently being accepted. Volunteers for research receive state-of-the-art evaluations and contribute to future knowledge and treatments.

Northeast Ohio Medical University — Booth 316**neomed.edu/bestcenter**

Hudson, Ohio

Learn about the Best Practices in Schizophrenia Treatment (BeST) Center, among others.

OC87 Recovery Diaries — Booth 114**oc87recoverydiaries.com**

Wynnewood, Pa.

OC87 Recovery Diaries is an interactive website that features stories of mental health, empowerment and change, created by and for those whose journeys of recovery speak to audiences from all walks of life. This project hopes to touch as many lives as possible and bring light to the lived experiences of recovery from mental illness: what matters, what helps, what's hard and what might be next.

Parents' Foundation for Transitional Living, Inc. — Booth 310**www.parentsfoundation.com**

New Haven, Conn.

Parents' Foundation for Transitional Living, Inc. is a private, nonprofit mental health residential community dedicated to the recovery of adults with serious and persistent mental illness such as schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder, depression and anxiety disorder.

Project Transition — Booth 409**projecttransition.com**

Chalfont, Penn.

Project Transition is an outcomes-driven organization that provides comprehensive services. With over 32 years of experience working with individuals struggling with serious and persistent mental illness and co-occurring substance use disorders. Project Transition programs fully integrate all services within a relational community context, enabling each of their members to live a meaningful life in the community on the terms that the individual defines.

Rare Patient Voice — Booth 317**rarepatientvoice.com**

Towson, Md.

Rare Patient Voice is a market research company that helps patients with various diseases or conditions voice their opinions through confidential surveys to improve medical products and services. Patients and caregivers receive cash rewards for participating. Receive a \$10 gift card when you join.

Scandic Health — Booth 204**scandichealth.com**

Reston, Va.

Scandic Health is a technology-based company that sells MusiCure, or music as medicine. MusiCure is based on 18 years of evidence-based medical research.

Schizophrenia and Related Disorders Alliance of America — Booth 306**sardaa.org**

Houston, Texas

SARDAA provides education, support, support groups and advocacy for those affected by schizophrenia spectrum neuropsychiatric illnesses and their families.

Social Security Administration — Booth 309**ssa.gov**

Woodlawn, Md.

Social Security is here to help secure today and tomorrow by providing benefits and financial protection for millions of people. We're with you throughout life's journey—from birth to marriage and into retirement. With retirement, disability, survivors and other benefits, Social Security is here to help you and millions of others secure today and tomorrow.

Strategic Behavioral Health — Booth 303**strategicbh.com**

Colorado Springs, Colo.

Strategic Behavioral Health is based in Memphis, Tenn., and owns and operates inpatient psychiatric hospitals and psychiatric residential treatment facilities throughout the U.S., including Colorado, Texas, Nevada, Wisconsin, New Mexico and North Carolina.

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SyneuRx — Booth 116

syneurx.com

syneurxtrials.com

Pasadena, Calif.

SyneuRx International (Taiwan) Corp.'s Booth SyneuRx is a biotech company pioneering revolutionary new classes of drugs to address the unmet medical needs of brain disorders, including schizophrenia, depression and dementia. Our leading pipeline focuses on the most abundant neurotransmitter in the brain: the NMDA receptor. We are currently recruiting patients in three schizophrenia trials: adolescent, adult and refectory. Please refer to the website for details.

Teva Pharmaceuticals — Booth 118

tevapharm.com

Lexington, Ky.

Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. is a leading global pharmaceutical company that delivers high-quality, patient-centric health care solutions that are used by approximately 200 million patients in 100 markets every day. In specialty medicines, Teva has innovative treatments for multiple sclerosis, as well as late-stage development programs for other disorders of the central nervous system.

Treatment Advocacy Center — Booth 413

treatmentadvocacycenter.org

Arlington, Va.

The Treatment Advocacy Center is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating barriers to the timely and effective treatment of severe mental illness.

Yellowbrick — Booth 207

yellowbrickprogram.com

Evanston, Ill.

Yellowbrick has created a developmentally specialized, research-based clinical model that integrates current contributions of neuroscience, innovative psychotherapies, strength-based life-skills acquisition and wellness medicine.

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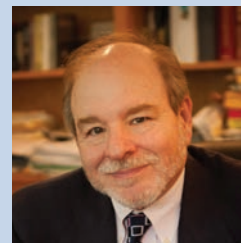
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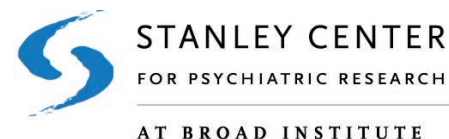
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