



 **NAMI** New Jersey
National Alliance on Mental Illness

**2017 Annual Leadership Meeting
and Awards Luncheon**

Saturday, June 24, 2017
Ramada Plaza Conference Center, Jamesburg, NJ

2017 Annual Awards

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RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS

- Robin Cunningham
- Mellisa Rivera Marano
- Rosemary Canuso

RETIRING AFFILIATE PRESIDENTS

- Beatriz Cruz (NAMI Hudson)
- Larry Cartwright (NAMI Hunterdon)

NEW AFFILIATE PRESIDENTS

- Dana Johnson (NAMI Hudson)
- Robert Walton (NAMI Hunterdon)

DARA AXELROD EXPRESSIVE ARTS POETRY CONTEST AWARD WINNERS

1. "You Heal Me, O World" by Joyti Singh
2. "I Sit by the Sea" by Verdi Eaton
3. "A Hero of My Own" by Daniel Shao
4. "How I Cope" by Annie Glynn
5. "The road to healing" by Kelly Brennan
6. "Never Stop Letting It Out" by Jennifer Bristol
7. "As the ink pours out on paper" by Agnes Abdelwahabe
8. "Ten minutes" by Swati Ambole
9. "A Motorcycle" by Ariana Landeira
10. "H.A.L.T." by Jeffrey Varanyak

2017 WALK AWARDS PRESENTATION

SPONSOR APPRECIATION:

- Allergan
- RWJBarnabas Health
- United Healthcare
- Otsuka
- Sunovion
- Brainsway
- Disability Rights New Jersey
- Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School
- NJAMHAA
- Project Help
- Pamela Eagan

TOP TEAMS:

1. NAMI Gloucester County
2. NAMI Sussex
3. NAMI Greater-Monmouth
4. NAMI FACE
5. CAMHOP
6. RWJBarnabas Behavioral Health
7. SJ AACT-NOW
8. NJ Mighty Innovators
9. Team Warren County
10. NAMI Essex/Passaic

TOP FUNDRAISERS:

1. Francine Turner
2. Annie Glynn
3. Grace Travinsky
4. Brenda Hahn
5. Brenda Pauwels
6. Judi Fiederer
7. Jeri Doherty
8. Eileen Danielenko
9. Becky Wong
10. Dominga Gornell

OUTSTANDING WALK VOLUNTEER:

- Mikaela Grande

INCENTIVE PRIZE WINNERS

- Francine Turner
- Alvin Camacho

AFFILIATE AWARDS

- Jeri Doherty - Advocacy
- David Soltys - Leadership
- MaryAnn Strachan - Support

PROGRAM RECOGNITION AWARDS

- Ming & Leelan Hong (CAMHOP)
- Mark Williams (AACT-NOW)
- Lauren Feliciano (NAMI En Espanol)
- Elizabeth Vecchio (NAMI Basics)
- Jeri Doherty & Bob Cubby (NAMI Connection)

NAMI FAMILY-TO-FAMILY HALL OF FAME

- Pat Roman - Support Award
- Martha Silva - Hall of Fame 12 years
- Gail Dembin - Trainer 20 years
- Marilyn Goldstein - Trainer 20 years

NAMI NJ RECOGNITION AWARDS

NAMI NJ COMMUNITY AMBASSADOR AWARD:

- Grace Travinsky

NAMI NJ YOUNG LEADER AWARD:

- Nitin Kini

NAMI NJ MEDIA AWARD:

- Kim Mulford, Courier-Post

PROVIDER RECOGNITION AWARDS

- Marvin Gorsky, Senior Director of Children's, Counseling and Family Services at the Mental Health Association of Essex County
- Rosaelena Klingener, Program Director, IFSS Morris County
- Donnalee Corrieri, Bergen Regional Medical Center
- RoseMary Klie, Bergen Regional Medical Center