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for FAMILIES of PERSONS
with a
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Intensive Family Support Services
Re-Affiliation With NAMI
What started as a small group of families gathered around a kitchen table in 1979 has blossomed into the nation's leading voice on mental health.
Today, we are an association of hundreds of local affiliates, state organizations and volunteers who work in local communities

- to raise awareness

- provide support and education that was not previously available to those in need.
With prominence comes accountability

The Public wants to know about
• Our Structure
• Our Programs
• Our Governance
• Our Finances
Best Practices

NAMI has developed Standards of Excellence a list of “Best Practices” to ensure NAMI is the strong and vibrant presence we need it to be in order to meet the needs of individuals and families whose lives have been affected by mental illness into the future.
But we know that you are already doing so much!
WE want to help you through the re-affiliation process

• I am available to meet with you or your Board individually to go over what needs to be done and how to accomplish it.

• There are templates already made for the vast amount of work that needs to be done.

• NAMI New Jersey can provide some financial assistance to those affiliates with limited resources for the cost of insurance.

• We have arranged for free legal assistance
And Most of All

We want you to know that we appreciate the work that you do for making NAMI the life changing, life saving organization to which we are all committed.
The heart of a volunteer is not measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference in the lives of others.