

## What is the NAMI Provider Education Program?

NAMI Provider Education is a five-session staff development program for healthcare personnel who work directly with people affected by mental illness. This free, unique, 15-hour program is led by an adult with a mental illness living in recovery; by family members who share their personal, intimate perspective on their treatment experience; and a mental health professional.

The material is also available in a four-hour introductory seminar. This course helps providers understand the challenges that families and individuals face and appreciate the courage and persistence it takes to live with mental illness.

NAMI Southwestern Illinois (NAMI SWI), your local organization of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, is offering NAMI Provider Education. Please contact the NAMI SWI office by phone at (618) 798-9788 or send an email to [info@namiswi.org](mailto:info@namiswi.org) and our affiliate Provider Education Program Coordinator will contact you.



### Participant Perspectives

*"The sessions are powerful. They teach us and move us to tears. We become humble as they challenge us to reexamine our constructs of psychiatric illness and treatment. We walk in their shoes."*

*"The program has given us essential insight to view individuals with mental illness and their families as partners in the treatment process."*

**Contact us to register for this staff development opportunity!**



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### About NAMI

NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI SWI is an affiliate of NAMI IL. NAMI SWI and dedicated volunteer members and leaders work tirelessly to raise awareness and provide essential education, advocacy and support group programs for people in our community living with mental illness and their loved ones.