

NAMI Signature Support Group



Led by two trained and certified program leaders.

Administered by a NAMI State Organization or NAMI Affiliate.

Adopts the approach of either a NAMI Family Support Group or a NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group.

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Properly displays the name and logo of either NAMI Family Support Group or NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group.

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Follows NAMI Education Program Operating Policies and Code of Conduct.

NAMI Signature Groups should be free and open to anyone 18 years or older. Participants do not need to be a NAMI member to join. All program data should be reported by the administering NSONA to NAMI 720, and meetings should be advertised on NAMI's website via the NSONA's profile. All standards listed in the provided program guidebook must be followed and the trained program leaders adhere to the NAMI Code of Conduct.

For more information on program guidance, certification, and resources, contact NAMIEDUCATION@nami.org



NAMI Affiliate

Referencing: NAMI Bylaws (Article I, Section 2 § 2.a)

Affiliates are groups of at least five people who are already members of NAMI before their organization is officially recognized by NAMI. Alternatively, they can become members of their own organization after it has been officially recognized by NAMI.

Referencing: NAMI Bylaws (Article I, Section 2 § 2.b)

A NAMI Affiliate will have varying activities beyond just a NAMI Signature Support Group. The expectation is that NAMI Affiliates must undertake additional projects to advance the NAMI Mission and maintain their affiliate status in NAMI.

TYPES OF NAMI AFFILIATES

Model A and Model C: Independent organizations that possess incorporated legal status in the jurisdictions of its incorporation and have obtained tax-exempt status from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)3 entity.

Model B: Operate as a program of the State Organization or an Incorporated NAMI Affiliate that agrees to endorse and assume responsibility for them. The Model B affiliate's assets and operations become the responsibility of the State Organization or NAMI Incorporated Affiliate. All new affiliates begin as a Model B affiliate.