

National Alliance on Mental Illness

NAMI Basics is an education program available free of charge for parents and other family caregivers who provide care for youth (age 22 or younger) who are experiencing mental health symptoms. NAMI Basics is offered through a group setting in person or OnDemand (online).

NAMI Basics OnDemand was created as an option for program participation due to an outpouring of requests from parents and caregivers who were looking for a way to access the information that worked for their lifestyle and schedule. The OnDemand option is set for release to the public Summer 2019. Stay tuned for updates and announcements regarding NAMI Basics OnDemand details.

Both NAMI Basics program options—in person and OnDemand—offer parents and caregivers the unique opportunity to quickly realize… they're not alone. Recovery is a journey, and there is hope.

Program Highlights Include:

- Solving problems and communicating effectively
- How to take care of yourself and handle stress
- Accepting that mental health conditions are no one's fault
- Developing the confidence and stamina to support your child with compassion
- Advocating for your child's rights at school and in health care settings
- Learning about different types of mental health care professionals, available treatment options and therapies
- Preparing for and responding to crisis
- Gaining an overview of the public mental health care, school and juvenile justice systems
- Understanding the challenges and impact of mental health conditions on your entire family
- Brain biology and getting a diagnosis





Choose the option that works best for you.

As a program, NAMI Basics can be helpful for a variety of families and households in need, on their own terms, based on their time availability. Attend in person or participate online through the (NEW) OnDemand option. Start your path to hope and recovery through NAMI Basics.

Learn more at NAMI.org/basics