

Five Topics in Five Days: Mental Health Issues in Law Libraries

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Resources List

Organizations

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

www.nami.org

Mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for those affected by mental illness.

NAMI HelpLine: 1-800-950-NAMI (6264)

info@nami.org

Website highlights:

Information on discrimination, requesting leave, and accommodation

<http://www.nami.org/Find-Support/Living-with-a-Mental-Health-Condition/Succeeding-at-Work>

Housing, esp. Sec. 8 and Sec. 811, links about vouchers

<http://www.nami.org/Find-Support/Living-with-a-Mental-Health-Condition/Securing-Stable-Housing>

Health insurance questions, esp. parity issues

<http://www.nami.org/Find-Support/Living-with-a-Mental-Health-Condition/Understanding-Health-Insurance>

<http://www.nami.org/Learn-More/Health-Insurance/Parity>

National Resource Center on Psychiatric Advance Directives

<http://www.nrc-pad.org/>

Website highlights:

Includes state-by-state information links

<http://www.nrc-pad.org/state-by-state-map>

National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)

Possession of Firearms by People with Mental Illness

<http://www.ncsl.org/research/civil-and-criminal-justice/possession-of-a-firearm-by-the-mentally-ill.aspx>

Mental Health Professionals' Duty to Warn

<http://www.ncsl.org/research/health/mental-health-professionals-duty-to-warn.aspx>

State Laws Mandating or Regulating Mental Health Benefits

<http://www.ncsl.org/research/health/mental-health-benefits-state-mandates.aspx>

Prevention of Prescription Drug Overdose and Abuse

<http://www.ncsl.org/research/health/prevention-of-prescription-drug-overdose-and-abuse.aspx>

Local / County Government Agencies

Example: Anne Arundel County (MD) Mental Health Agency, www.aamentalhealth.org

State Resource Links at LawHelp.org

Example: Washingtonlawhelp.org

General Assistance

211info.org

This general information line can connect people with local human services information and referrals.

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Local Law Library Compiled Pages

Coconino County (AZ) Legal Topics: Mental Illness

<https://coconinolawlibrary.wordpress.com/category/legal-topics/disabilities/mental-illness/>

State-Specific Resources

“Rights of Persons in Maryland’s Psychiatric Facilities,” Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, 2002.

<http://dhmh.maryland.gov/yourrights/docs/pbor.pdf>

Print Texts

Mental Disability Law: Civil and Criminal 2nd ed. by Michael Perlin

Further Articles of Interest

“Mental Health Training in Public Libraries,” Josh Berk, Public Libraries Online, January 5, 2015

<http://publiclibrariesonline.org/2015/01/mental-health-training-in-public-libraries/>

“Dealing with Mentally Ill Library Patrons,” Victoria Collie, Public Libraries Online, September 15, 2014

<http://publiclibrariesonline.org/2014/09/dealing-with-mentally-ill-library-patrons/>

“Homelessness, mental illness, and the library,” Bipolar Library Director blog post, July 23, 2014

<https://bipolarlibrarydirector.wordpress.com/2014/07/23/homelessness-mental-illness-and-the-library/>

“Library Psychiatry: Is There a Place for the Mentally Ill in Your Law Library?,” Jennifer S. Murray, AALL Spectrum, November 2009.

<http://www.aallnet.org/mm/Publications/spectrum/Archives/Vol-14/No-2/pub-sp0911-psych.pdf>

“Lehigh Valley Librarians Receive Mental Health Sensitivity Training,” Lynn Olanoff, The Express-Times, June 23, 2014

http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/bethlehem/index.ssf/2014/06/lehigh_valley_librarians_recei.html

“When the rights of the many outweigh the rights of the few: the “legitimate” versus the homeless patron in the public library,” Julie Murphy (undated).

<http://www.crowbold.com/homepage/homeless.htm>