

Applications being Accepted!

NAMI Family-to-Family Teacher Training

April 7-9, 2017

Yakima, WA

NAMI Family-to-Family is a signature education program for families, partners and friends of people living with serious mental illness.

In order to become a Family to Family teacher for your affiliate you must be age 18 or over and have a loved one who is affected by mental illness.

Participants will learn the necessary skills to conduct a rigorous and effective 12-week course in your community. The goals of NAMI Family-to-Family are to:

- provide the fundamental information necessary for the family to understand what mental illness
- help participants cope with the impact that mental health conditions have on the individual and their family
- provide tools for the family to use after completing the program that will assist them in responding as effectively as possible to challenging situations and crises
- help the family learn to take care of their own needs in addition to those of their loved one
- empower participants to become advocates for their family members living with mental illness and themselves

Guidelines for Participation in Education & Training Program:

1. All participants must be a minimum of 18 years of age.
2. All participants must be a NAMI member in good standing.
3. All participants must have a loved one with mental illness
4. All participants will be screened by the class Teacher(s) or members of the Education Team who will determine if the applicant is appropriate to become a presenter
5. All participants commit to attending the full training. Failure to do so will result in the forfeiture of the deposit check for that participant.
6. Completion of the full training does not guarantee participants will receive a

Certificate of Completion. Skills will be evaluated by the State Trainers who will determine if participants have learned and can exhibit the skills needed to become presenters

7. No guests are permitted to attend the training.

Application Process

- **Applications must be received by March 31, 2017!**
- Attending the training is by pre-registration only, and class size is limited. If there are more applications than spots for the class a waiting list will be created.
- In order to reserve a space a completed application and a \$50 refundable registration deposit from your affiliate is required.
- Spots are assigned on a first come, first serve basis after the completed application **and** deposit has been received in the NAMI WA office. Where necessary, priority may be given to areas with critical need and this will be a decision made by NAMI WA.
- If you need to cancel after being accepted, notify Deanna Roy at the state office by calling 206-783-4288 or [emailing her](#) no later than April 3, 2017 so we can fill your spot or your affiliate will lose its \$50 registration deposit. Cancelled spots are filled with applications from the waiting list for the class, not by sending another affiliate member.
- Please note that completion of the application and the affiliate deposit does not guarantee acceptance into the training class. All applicants will participate in a brief phone screening.

Here you will find the [Family-to-Family 2017 Application](#)

So far we have received only 3 applications, we will need a total of 8 applications in order to hold this training!

If you have any questions contact the NAMI Washington office at 206.783.4288 or email [Dorina](#).