

Advocacy Goal:

Youth and adults living with mental illness or a mental health condition receive the right care at the right time and in the right place to experience lives of resiliency, recovery and inclusion.

FY2020 NAMI Vermont Advocacy Priorities (*numbered for reference only*)

1. Build Community Awareness and Eliminate Stigma and Discrimination
2. Increase mental health funding
3. Ensure access to effective mental health services for everyone
4. Provide access to appropriate, affordable housing and transportation
5. Ensure safe and respectful crisis intervention
6. Promote appropriate outcomes where the criminal justice system and mental health issues intersect
7. Promote training for mental health professionals and providers
8. Promote early diagnosis and intervention strategies
9. Promote suicide prevention initiatives
10. Promote wellness and the integration of mental health, substance use, and primary care services
11. Assist people with mental illness or a mental health condition to achieve and maintain recovery over the course of their lifetimes

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