

Volunteer Board Member for the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Northern Virginia

Description

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Northern Virginia is a grassroots 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to building better lives for individuals and family members affected by mental health conditions through education, support, and advocacy. As the local, self-sustaining chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, NAMI Northern Virginia serves the Counties of Arlington, Fairfax and Loudoun and the Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church. The NAMI Northern Virginia Board of Directors carefully aligns NAMI Northern Virginia with its mission to create a world where everyone affected by a mental health condition has a place to turn for help, hope, and support. The Board oversees program and executive staff, creates governance and development policies, and promotes fundraising and volunteering events. Board members are active advocates for the organization, who promote the mission of NAMI Northern Virginia in the community.

The NAMI Northern Virginia Board of Directors is all-inclusive and is comprised of individuals from diverse backgrounds and experiences, who bring critical leadership skills and strategic opportunities to the organization. The Board works collaboratively with and provides oversight to the President and CEO, creates governance and development policies, and promotes fundraising and volunteering events. Individuals who are passionate about NAMI Northern Virginia's mission and vision are strongly encouraged to apply.

Industry

Nonprofit Organization Management

Position

Job Title: Volunteer Board Member

Experience

Associate

Job Function

Board Development

Employment Type

Volunteer (3-year Term)

Board Member Description

The NAMI Northern Virginia Board of Directors is comprised of individuals who come from a variety of backgrounds with unique skill sets, who are dedicated to the organization's mission. Serving on the NAMI Northern Virginia Board of Directors is an extraordinary opportunity for an individual who is passionate about advocating and directly impacting the mental health in our community.

NAMI Northern Virginia Board Members are expected to:

- Be active NAMI Northern Virginia members
- Make a three-year commitment to the organization.
- Attend monthly board meetings, read board materials in advance of meetings, and come to meetings prepared to ask questions and to participate in discussions
- Participate in annual board retreats
- Actively serve on one or more committees of the board
- Attend NAMI Northern Virginia fundraising and volunteer events
- Assist with the annual NAMI Northern Virginia walk
- Gain a thorough understanding of NAMI Northern Virginia's programs and stay informed regarding current program and event offerings
- Play an active role in securing the financial resources necessary for NAMI Northern Virginia to achieve its mission.
- Adhere to the mission and vision statements of NAMI Northern Virginia
- Represent NAMI Northern Virginia in the community and advocate for NAMI Northern Virginia's mission, programs, and services as appropriate

Board members are elected to three-year terms.

Desired Skills and Expertise

We are currently seeking potential board members with expertise in the following areas: accounting, fundraising, event planning, program management, and human resources (HR). Prior nonprofit board member experience is desired.

Applications are open to all. Parents/caregivers of individuals affected by mental health conditions are encouraged to apply.