

Emergency Protocol: Those exhibiting psychotic behavior or appear to want to hurt others or themselves, may warrant crisis intervention. **Call 911 for all mental health/psychiatric emergencies, specifying that “this is a mental health crisis. Please send a trained officer”.** An evaluator will assess if the person should be admitted into the hospital.

RESOURCES

Statewide

- The Intensive Family Support Services (IFSS) is NAMI's partner. Staffed by mental health professionals, IFSS provides free, in-depth help to families affected by mental illness.
- Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) offers comprehensive psychiatric treatment and rehabilitation for those people who have experienced repeated involuntary hospitalizations

Atlantic County

- AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center- Atlantic City campus 609-345-4000
- Crisis Intervention 609-344-1118
- Psych Unit 609-652-1000
- AtlantiCare Behavioral Health, Inc.
Provides full range of mental health outpatient services:
psychiatric evaluations/medication monitoring, partial day program,
out-patient therapy
- Access Center—New patients (866) 604-5506 6010
- Ancora State Psychiatric Hospital 609-561-1700
- IFSS/Mental Health Association (MHA), Galloway, NJ 609-652-3800
- Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT):
Team A 609-404-1974 Team B 609-404-9268
- Family Services Association 609-569-0239
- Jewish Family Services 609-569-0239
- Vocational Rehabilitation 609-813-3933

Cape May County

- Cape Regional Medical Ctr., Psychiatric Screening Center
2 Stone Harbor Blvd., Cape May Court House, NJ 08210
- Cape Counseling Services, Cape May Court House, NJ 609- 465-4100
Provides full range of mental health outpatient services:
psychiatric evaluations, medication monitoring, partial day program,
out-patient therapy
- Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) 609-8990
- IFSS 609-465-4100
- Legal Assistance: 609 465-3001 Help with social security disability
applications and criminal justice systems

For more information on county resources, go to www.namiac.org web-site

DID YOU KNOW.....

Mental illnesses are disorders of the brain that disrupt a person's thinking, feeling, moods, and ability to relate to others.

Mental illnesses affect one in five families. Five million people in the U.S. alone suffer from a serious chronic brain disorder such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, or major depression.

Mental illnesses are no-fault brain diseases. They are not caused by personal weakness, lack of character or poor up-bringing.

Mental illnesses are treatable. Treatment success rate for schizophrenia is 60%, compared with 41-52% for heart patients.

There are more people with serious mental illnesses in the jail system than in psychiatric hospitals; one-third of U.S. jails incarcerate people with these diseases who have no charges against them but are merely waiting for a psychiatric evaluation or the availability of a psychiatric hospital bed.

Despite media focus on exceptions, individuals receiving treatment are no more prone to violence than the general public.

The majority of people with these brain diseases live with their families due to shortage of appropriate housing options.

Depression is more widespread than coronary disease (7 million); cancer (6 million), and AIDS (200 thousand).



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