



Concerned about mental health treatment in Alabama? Attend free event Tuesday

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A mental illness advocacy group in Huntsville will host its first session of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Smarts for Advocacy Program on Tuesday in Madison.

The 90-minute program, which gives individuals and families living with mental illness the skills to share their stories with public officials, promotes confidence building through modular, practice-based training.

The event will take place at 5:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Madison Public Library on 130 Plaza Boulevard in Madison. (Courtesy)

"Because the training sessions are based on adult learning strategies and take participants through a sequence of clear steps, the curriculum benefits a wide range of participants, from beginners to seasoned grassroots advocates," NAMI Huntsville said in a statement.

The event will take place at 5:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Madison Public Library on 130 Plaza Boulevard in Madison.

NAMI said a collaborative session will follow to address the State Legislature about concerns relating to the Alabama budget crisis and its impact on mental health treatment.

The session is free, but participants should register online at [surveymonkey.com/s/GS2NSGW](https://surveyMonkey.com/s/GS2NSGW).

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