



Partnership Outline



Between **AMVETS & National Alliance on Mental Illness**

Based on our shared concern for mental health care for America's veterans.

AMVETS offers :

- Connect, when possible, NAMI with National Guard and Reserve units with the intent of allowing NAMI to present its services to deploying Troops and their families.
- To disseminate specific and focused literature on NAMI to our 1,300 plus Posts nation-wide.
- To encourage local Post involvement in the support of NAMI programs.
- When appropriate, cooperate on legislative issues.
- To share web links and when appropriate, editorial opportunities in printed publications.
- Provide annual point of contact updates.

National Alliance on Mental Illness offers:

- To provide appropriate literature to AMVETS to be distributed to Departments and Posts, and National Service Officers.
- To provide guidance and resources for local Posts that may desire to collaborate with local NAMI affiliates
- When appropriate, cooperate on legislative issues.
- To share web links and when appropriate, editorial opportunities in printed publications.
- Provide annual point of contact updates for local affiliates & NAMI Veterans Council.
- In 2008 develop with AMVETS 3-4 pilot sites to link NAMI local affiliates with AMVET Posts.

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