

2025 Pathways to Hope Conference Agenda for Yakima, WA Livestream with Local Breakouts

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

This event begins at 9:30 AM PST.

9:30 AM Local Welcome and Introductions:	Angela Bazan, Executive Director of NAMI Yakima
9:40 AM National Welcome via Stream	Daniel H. Gillison, Jr. CEO, National Alliance on Mental Illness
9:55 AM Young Leaders: Faith, Spirituality & Community	Imaan Siddiqi Member, NAMI National Board of Directors
10:10 AM Spoken Word:	The Message & Trey Baker or a Chance to Dream 3x Emmy-nominated Spoken Word Artist, Author, and Arts Educator
10:15 AM Introduction of Speakers	Dawn L. Brown Director, CCIE, NAMI
10:20 AM The Value and Importance of Collaboration	Ben O'Dell Sr. Advisor, Center for Faith U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services
10:40 AM Integrating Body, Mind & Spirit	Dr. Marc Halpern Mental Health Founder, College of Ayurveda
11: 00 AM Lunch	
12:00 Breakout Sessions:	
Mental Health Crisis Training: Suicide Prevention	Aadriana Hernandez
Mental Health Awareness and Advocacy in Faith Spaces	Rev. Dr. Christie Love
Faith Communities as Support for Families	Chris Moore
1:30 PM Interactive Discussion:	Next Steps and Action Plans
2:30 PM End of Day One	

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

This event begins at 9:30 AM PST.

Local Welcome and Recap of Day 1:	Angela Bazan, Executive Director of NAMI Yakima
9:30 AM National Welcome: Day Two CEO, NAMI	Daniel H. Gillison, Jr.
9:35 AM Expanding Impact: Advancing Mental Health Equity Through Faith & Spirituality	Stephanie Robertson, J.D. Director, Mental Health Equity Innovation, NAMI Dr. Laklieshia Izzard 2nd Vice President, NAMI Nat'l Board of Directors
9:50 AM NAMI Next Gen: A Letter to Stigma	Srihitha Dasari, Nadiyah Fisher, Caitlyn A. Jennings Anuj Gandhi Members, NAMI Next Gen
10:05 AM Sharing Hope Community Conversations	Dawn Brown Director, CCIE, NAMI
10:10 AM Compartiendo Esperanza campaign NEW Kohl's Ad Campaign Videos	
10:15 AM Pathways to Hope: Building Bridges to Spiritual Wellness	Doug Beach, Executive Director, NAMI San Antonio
10:25 AM Guided and Grounded: Spirituality as a Protective Factor for Families	Gina Newsome Duncan, MD, FAPA The Steve Fund
10:40 AM A Call to Action: Collaboration Faith & TBD	
11:00 AM Break/Lunch: Visit Resource Tables	
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1:30 PM Interactive Discussion: Next Steps and Action Plans

2:30 PM Evaluations and Conference Close