
Legal Advocacy Services can be provided for:

- Supplemental Security/Social Security Disability
- Divorce, Custody, Visitation, Orders of Protection, Support
- Landlord/Tenant Problems
- Utility Shut-off Notices
- Complaints regarding out-patient mental health services
- Temporary assistance or food stamps cut-off or denial

For these services, the Mental Health Association in Niagara County, Inc. contracts with Niagara County Legal Aid Society, a division of Neighborhood Legal Services, Inc. This program is funded through the N.Y.S. Office of Mental Health Community Support Service. To be eligible, an individual must have a current mental health diagnosis.

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Mission Statement

The Mental Health Association in Niagara County, Inc. will offer programs and services aimed at promoting mental health while advocating for individuals with mental illnesses and working toward dispelling commonly held misunderstandings regarding mental illnesses.

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Legal Advocacy

The goal of the Legal Advocacy program is to help consumers of the community mental health system in Niagara County:

- Maintain continuity of care
- Protect their legal rights
- Help obtain essential public benefits and necessary services



CSS eligible clients can receive legal assistance with:

- SSI/SSD
- Medicaid and food stamps
- Public assistance
- Landlord/tenant problems
- Divorce
- Child support
- Custody and visitation
- Orders of protection

For more information and to see if you qualify for Legal Advocacy services, please call the MHA at 716.433.3780 or visit www.MHANC.com.

Both administrative and judicial services are offered.

(Please note: This program does not address criminal matters or civil law suits.)

All investigations, reports, recommendations and services are confidential and provided without fee to eligible clients.



Individuals with a current mental health diagnosis can take advantage of legal advocacy services offered by the MHA through a contract with Neighborhood Legal Services, Inc.