Helpful Resources:

Drug Abuse Hotline: 716.285.3515

AA Central Referral: 716.853.0388

Crime Victim's Assistance Niagara County

Sherriff's Office: 716.439.9306

Crisis Hotline: 716.285.3515

Domestic Violence:

N. Falls: 716.285.5432

N. Tonawanda: 716.692.5432

Lockport: 716.433.6716

Help Line (Niagara County) 716.433.5432

Mental Health Association, Information

and Referral: 716.433.3780

Drop In Center: 716.433.6543

Niagara County Mental Health Clinics:

Lockport: 716.439.7400

N. Falls: 716.278.1825

Rape Crisis: 716.285.3518

Peer Advocacy

Offered by the Mental Health Association in Niagara County, Inc. at Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center

Mission Statement

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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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Advocate:

An advocate is a person who represents another's interests. The advocate then works to obtain effective services for that person.

When a patient in the Behavioral Services Unit at Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center has questions or concerns about his or her rights, the advocate can help that patient with these concerns and can help them find services that fit their needs.

The Peer Advocates can be contacted by calling 716.278.4748

The Role of a Peer Advocate

Our peer advocates provide an outreach program for recipients of mental health services in the community and for patients receiving treatment at Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center, in the Behavioral Health Service Unit.

Peer-Linkage Advocates work with the patients, family members and outside sources, providing reassurance and notifying patients of all available services.

It is the goal of the Peer Advocates to see that each patient has access to the best and most suitable resources.

For more information about the Peer Advocacy Program, please call the MHA at 716.433.3780 or visit our website: www.MHANC.com



Information & Resources Available Include:

- Self-help
- Social Clubs
- Legal Rights as a Psychiatric Patient Information
- Self-help groups
- Reassurance in the hospital setting
- Encouragement
- Referrals to community services and programs
- A positive, supportive atmosphere

