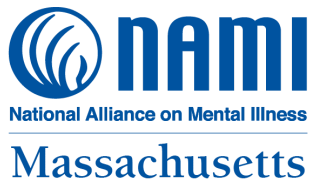


Volunteers Wanted

Share Your Story of Caring For a Loved One
Living With A Mental Health Condition



Sharing Our Stories Program



Are you a friend, parent, sibling, family member or caregiver
of someone living with a mental health condition?

NAMI Massachusetts is looking for individuals willing to
share their story with community audiences such as
schools, universities, workplaces, and faith communities.

For the qualifications & other
information, please visit:
Namimass.org

**Volunteer Stipends
and Transportation
Costs Covered**



Contact us: sford@namimass.org

SOS Speaker Training

**Interested applicants should email Sarah Ford:
sford@namimass.org**

Please note training spots are limited. Following the interviews, selected applicants only, will be invited to participate in the training process to become a Sharing Our Stories (SOS) speaker.

The IOOV Training Process:

- 1-hour interview with NAMI Mass staff on Zoom: Potential speakers will be asked to briefly share their journey of caring for a loved one with a mental health condition. Staff will discuss logistics and expectations related to the program and answer any questions applicants might have.
- Self-paced at-home writing of story script rough draft: A training guide is provided to support trainees in writing a rough draft of their SOS story script. This must be completed before in-person training.
- Full-day in-person training: Trainees will receive feedback on their scripts, practice presenting their stories, learn how to answer audience questions and more.

Summer Training Date

In-Person Session (9:00 AM- 6:00 PM)

Saturday July 9th, 2022

Location: TBD

Applicants must be vaccinated in order to attend.

We especially encourage you to apply if:

- You have had police encounters related to your loved one's mental health journey
- You are a veteran of the armed forces
- You are part of the AAPI Community
- You are a part of the BIPOC community
- You speak Spanish or another language
- You have a diverse life experience: LGBTQ+, persons with disabilities, immigrants, refugees, formerly incarcerated individuals, etc.