## **Mental Health Resources**

**National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)**: 800-950-6264, <u>info@nami.org</u>, operates an emergency mental health hotline M-F from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. EST. Operators can provide info about mental illness and refer callers to treatment, support groups, family support, and legal support, if needed.

https://www.nami.org/

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): 800-662-4357, SAMHSA runs a 24-hour mental health hotline that provides education, support, and connections to treatment. It also offers an online Behavioral Health Treatment Locator to help you find suitable behavioral health treatment programs.

https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline, https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/

National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH): 866-615-6464, This organization has a variety of methods for you to communicate with people about mental health issues. In addition to the phone line, there is a live online chat option. These resources are available M-F, 8:30 a.m-5 p.m. EST <a href="https://www.nimh.nih.gov/index.shtml">https://www.nimh.nih.gov/index.shtml</a>

Mental Health America Hotline: Text MHA to 74141. Mental Health America is a nationwide organization that provides assistance through this text line. You will be linked to someone who can guide you through crisis or just provide information. https://www.mhanational.org/get-involved/contact-us

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800-273-8255, Crisis intervention and free emotional support are available, which is helpful when you need confidential assistance during a time of emotional distress for you or a loved one. The helpline is open 24/7, and a live online chat is available as well.

https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/

**Crisis Text Line**: Text CONNECT to 741741. Specialized crisis counselors are just a text message away on this free confidential 24-hour support line. To further protect your privacy, these messages do not appear on a phone bill. The text line also provides services and support if you are upset, scare, hurt frustrated, or distressed.

https://www.crisistextline.org/textline/

**Veterans Crisis Line**: 800-273-8255, Text a message to 838255. Operated by the Department of Veterans Affairs, these services aid veterans and their families who may be in crisis by connecting them with VA responders.

https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/

**Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN)** is the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization: 800-656-4673. They also have a live chat function. They are a free, confidential service that is available 24/7 for survivors of sexual violence and their families. https://www.rainn.org/

**The Trevor Project**: 866-488-7386, is also available via chat and text; it is the leading national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, & questioning (LGBTQ+) young people under 25. <a href="https://www.thetrevorproject.org/">https://www.thetrevorproject.org/</a>

## **General Resources**

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