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**County Behavioral Health Clinical Director to speak at free NAMI meeting Sept. 4**

SAN DIEGO— The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI San Diego) welcomes Dr. Marshall Lewis, San Diego County Behavioral Health Clinical Director, to speak at their next Education and Advocacy meeting on September 4.

Marshall Lewis, M.D., D.F.A.P.A., is Clinical Director, Behavioral Health Division, Health & Human Services Agency, County of San Diego. He was recruited from Stanislaus County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services where he was Medical Director since 1998 and moved to San Diego in January 2008. He has academic appointments as Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry from the UCSD School of Medicine and is an Assistant Clinical Professor in Family Practice at the UC Davis School of Medicine. Dr. Lewis' B.A. is from Yale University and his M.D. is from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. He is Board Certified in both General Psychiatry and Addiction Psychiatry and has a particular interest in good services for individuals with co-occurring disorders, peer recovery models, and in early psychosis intervention.

NAMI San Diego is a non-profit organization that provides education, support services and advocacy to improve the lives of everyone affected by mental illnesses, which, in reality, is all of us. This year marks 30 years of service to the community.

NAMI San Diego holds free public Education and Advocacy meetings the first Thursday of every month. These feature expert speakers on timely topics. The meetings start at 6:30 pm and are held at the University Christian Church Friendship Hall at 3900 Cleveland Ave in San Diego, 92103 (across from the Post Office).

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