
Janet Edelman

Profile

Advocate for persons with psychiatric disabilities. Formerly Information Systems Manager with expertise in project management and banking systems.

Community Experience**President, Maryland Psychiatric Research Center Outpatient Research Program****Advisory Committee** 1995-present

- o Presided over quarterly and semi-annual meetings as president 1995 through 1999 and 2001 to present. Wrote letters, testified in support of the program.

Member, American Psychiatric Assoc. Institutional Review Board 2017-present

- o Participated in review of proposed APA Registry.

Board member, NAMI-Howard County 1999-2018

- o As President 2010-2014, led expansion of committees, development of policy manual.
- o Served as chair of Governance committee.
- o Served as chair of the Public Policy committee for several years.

Board member, NAMI 2011-2017

- o Served on the national board of NAMI in several positions, including first vice president for one year.
- o Chaired the Governance committee for three years, overseeing the NAMI election, and led development of board policies and procedures. Led several workgroups on bylaws, council operating policies, and other governance issues.
- o Chair of the Dispute Resolution committee for two years which addressed disputes between NAMI state organizations and NAMI affiliates.
- o Served as vice chair of the Audit committee and vice chair of the Planning committee.
- o Served on the Policy committee which was responsible for developing public policy positions for the NAMI Policy Platform.

Chair, NAMI State Presidents Council 2009-2011

- o Led monthly meetings and represented the Council at NAMI Board meetings.

Board member, NAMI Maryland 1985-2013**Member, NAMI Maryland Policy & Advocacy Committee** 2013-present

- o Was president from June 2008 - June 2010 with emphasis on governance issues. Developed policy manual, board book, implemented committee structure.
- o Was chair of the Public Policy committee. Served as chair or co-chair of the Public Policy committee from 1992 to November, 2007, and again in 2011-2012. Responsible for creation of position papers, preparation of testimony and online bill tracking.
- o Served as first vice president, chair of the Nominating committee.
- o Created and maintained NAMI Maryland website, md.nami.org 1995-June, 2007.

- o Published and maintained NAMI Maryland online newsletter and mailing list 2000-2010.
- o Member of the executive committee for several years and served terms as treasurer, secretary and vice-president.

Board member, NAMI Metropolitan Baltimore 1983-1994
 o Chair of the legislative committee. Maintained the membership database for several years.

Member, Mental Health Association Metropolitan Baltimore Legislative Affairs Committee 1985-1994

Professional Experience

Assistant Vice President, Information Systems, Chevy Chase Bank 1992-2007
 Assistant Vice President, Information Systems, MNC Financial 1973-1992

Education

M.S., Computer Science, University of Delaware, 1973
 B.A., State University of New York, Binghamton, 1971

Awards

Maryland Schizophrenia Service Award 2003
 NAMI Maryland 2003 Outstanding Achievement Award 2003
 NAMI Maryland 2007 Outstanding Advocacy Achievement Award 2007