Dear *|NAME|*,

The Nominations and Elections Committee is pleased to begin accepting recommendations for bylaws amendments and nominations for positions on the NAMI Texas Board of Directors and the Texas Consumer Representative to the NAMI Texas Board.

In 2018 the Bylaws require the membership to elect five directors: a director representing regions 1, 3, and 8, and two directors at large, each serving a term of three years (2018-2021).

The following directors are eligible to run again, and have agreed to do so:

- Linda Denke - Region 1/At Large Director
- Aimee Turney - Region 3/At Large Director
- Yvonne Broach - At Large Director/Vice-President
- Jesse Flores - At Large Director
- Diane Banks - Texas Consumer Representative to the NAMI Texas Board (two-year term 2018 - 2020)

Affiliates in the current year’s designated regions may nominate a director for either Regional Director or an At-Large Director. All other affiliates may nominate an At-Large Director. Nominations for all directors shall be made by the members through Affiliates. No Affiliate may nominate more than one individual for a director position per election. Please note that each affiliate can nominate one candidate for the NAMI Texas Board of Directors and the Texas Consumer Representative to the NAMI Texas Board.

**Elections and Nominations:**

Board nominations must be submitted electronically to Holly Doggett, Executive Director, NAMI Texas (executive.director@namitexas.org), subject line: 2018 BOD Nominations & Elections. The following documents are required for a valid submission:

1. [2018 NAMI Texas Board of Directors Nominee Application](#)
2. Candidate Resume
3. Candidate Picture (jpeg)
4. [2018 Affiliate Nomination Endorsement](#)

All nominations must be received no later than July 27, 2018.

A list of NAMI Texas Board of Directors Responsibilities and Duties, can be found [HERE](#).

A list of the Texas Representative to the NAMI Texas Consumer Council Responsibilities and Duties can be found [HERE](#).

A map of the affiliates divided by regions can be found [HERE](#).

A roster of the 2018 NAMI Texas Board of Directors can be found [HERE](#).

**Important Dates:**

The NAMI Texas Board of Directors has established October 27, 2018 as Election Day. The Date of Record shall be September 28, 2018. This date will be used to determine which members are in good standing (membership dues paid in full) in order to receive ballots for the October 27 election. The 2018 election will be conducted using paper
and electronic ballots. Paper ballots will be mailed to members in good standing who have not provided valid email addresses by September 28, 2018 and must be returned to the NAMI Texas office post marked no later than October 26, 2018. Electronic ballots will be made available to members in good standing who have provided a valid email address by September 28, 2018, and must be cast no later than October 26, 2018.

**Special Note:**
If you have provided a valid email address, you will be receiving your ballot electronically via the email address you provided. Paper ballots are ONLY to be used if you choose not to vote electronically or if you do not have a valid email address.

Sincerely,

Nominations and Elections Committee
NAMI Texas Board of Directors

It's coming!
Don't forget to register to attend the 2018 annual conference, Speak Your Mind!