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## **Mental Health Association in Louisiana Changes Name**

The Mental Health Association in Louisiana changed its name last month, coinciding with changes by the National Mental Health Association. The organization's new name is ***Mental Health America!***

The nonprofit organization, now called Mental Health America of Louisiana, is part of a nearly century old organization. It is one of 320 affiliates nationwide making the transition.

The name change to Mental Health America is designed to better reflect the nearly 100-year-old organization's commitment to helping improve the mental health of all Americans and to end discrimination against the 54 million Americans who suffer various forms of mental illness.

Mental Health America and its chapters are dedicated to providing Louisiana with community awareness campaigns, consumer protection services, and the strong advocacy required for meaningful mental health reform.

Mental Health America envisions a just, humane and healthy society in which all people are accorded respect, dignity, and the opportunity to achieve their full potential free from stigma and prejudice.

For more mental health information or resources, call ***1-800-241-6425*** or ***www.MHAL.org***.

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