



NAMI New Hampshire released the following statement from Executive Director Kenneth Norton:

**Statement on Trump Administration Rule Eliminating Nondiscrimination Protections in Health Care and Health Insurance for Transgender Individuals
June 14, 2020**

“NAMI New Hampshire condemns the rule enacted by the Trump administration on Friday, June 12, 2020, removing protections from nondiscrimination in health insurance and health care for individuals who are transgender. COVID-19 has clearly demonstrated that inequity in our healthcare system and limited access to health care results in increased illness and deaths. Research shows transgender individuals, especially transgender youth and young adults, are at a significantly elevated risk of suicide compared to their non-transgender peers. The enacted rule will increase the risks for this population when we should be collectively working to decrease those risks. Timely access to quality health and mental health care needs to be available to **all** people - without exception.”

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