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NAMI WELCOMES ALL-PRO WIDE RECEIVER BRANDON MARSHALL TO PITTSBURGH
Brandon Marshall To Visit Hometown of Pittsburgh to Discuss Overcoming Mental Illness

Pittsburgh, Pa.— For the first time, Brandon Marshall, all-pro wide receiver for the New York Jets, will come to Pittsburgh to talk about his mental illness at NAMI Southwestern Pennsylvania's 15th Annual Education Conference.



- WHAT:** NAMI's 15th Annual Education Conference
Game On: Tackling the Stigma of Mental Illness
Featuring Brandon Marshall, New York Jets
- WHEN:** Saturday, April 11, 2015
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- WHERE:** Pittsburgh Airport Marriott, 777 Aten Drive,
Coraopolis, PA 15108
- WHO:** Open to the public. Registration is required.
- INFO:** Visit www.namiswpa.org for details or to register.

Brandon Marshall will tell his personal story, beginning with his diagnosis of Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD), through his years of treatment and therapy, and finally to the advocate he is today. Brandon became well known across the country for wearing green cleats at a game during Mental Health Awareness Week. He was fined \$10,500 by the NFL. At the conference, Brandon will talk about the stigma he faced, not only as a man diagnosed with BPD but a professional athlete living with serious mental illness. He'll explain where he found the inspiration to speak out and take a stand against the stigma he and many others faced.

This conference is sponsored in part by Value Behavioral Health of PA.

NAMI Southwestern Pennsylvania (an affiliate of the National Alliance on Mental Illness) is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of individuals and families affected by mental illness through recovery focused support, education and advocacy. More information is available at www.namiswpa.org or by calling (412) 366-3788.

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