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WTAE-TV'S MICHELLE WRIGHT KICKS OFF 9TH ANNUAL NAMI WALK IN PITTSBURGH TO RAISE AWARENESS OF MENTAL ILLNESS

PITTSBURGH—NAMIWalks Honorary Chair Michelle Wright, WTAE-TV News Anchor, will kick off the 9th Annual NAMIWalks at a lunchtime event on Thursday. Michelle will join 200 southwestern Pennsylvanians at the Sheraton Station Square to launch the 2015 NAMIWalks season and promote awareness of mental illness treatment and recovery.

WHAT: NAMIWalks Kickoff Event

WHEN: Thursday, Aug. 20 at 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Sheraton, Station Square, First Floor, Admiral Room

300 Station Square Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

WHO: NAMI Walk Honorary Chair WTAE-TV News Anchor Michelle Wright

NAMI Southwestern PA Executive Director Christine Michaels

National NAMIWalks Director **Ebbie Alfree**

Ian Cummins from *Ian Walks America*

Two hundred mental health health advocates from across southwestern Pa.

Presented by NAMI Southwestern Pennsylvania and sponsored by UPMC and UPMC Insurance Services, the 5K NAMIWalks will take place at The Waterfront in Homestead on Sunday, Oct. 4. All funds raised support NAMI (the National Alliance on Mental Illness) Southwestern Pennsylvania

NAMI Southwestern Pennsylvania is a non-profit organization providing recovery focused support, education and advocacy for individuals living with a mental illness, and for family members, professionals and the community. More information is available at www.namiswpa.org or by calling (412) 366-3788.

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