As Patrick Kennedy writes in the book’s forward, “In the pages that follow, Lloyd I. Sederer, M.D., has distilled the lessons he has learned after more than 40 years of helping people with mental illness and addictions return to lives of love and contribution. As the Chief Medical Officer of the NYS Office of Mental Health, the nation’s largest state mental health system, he has invaluable insights to share with the next generation of professionals and the patients and families they serve.

At the heart of the message is a fundamental recognition of the dignity and worth of each person—both practitioner and patient. As Dr. Sederer acknowledges, no one chooses to have a mental illness or addiction; we are all wired for human connection, to love and be accepted. Knowing the biological basis for these illnesses is only the first step in treating them, and the traditional medical response is only one leg of the stool. Any comprehensive treatment must include a strong psychosocial component.”

Don’t miss this special opportunity to hear Dr. Sederer discuss his insights and ideas! (Books will be available for purchase.)

AnneMarie Ciccarella
NAMI Queens/Nassau’s Social Media Coordinator

will also be there to talk about

How to use social media to bring awareness, build community, and broaden the conversation.