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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Leslie Powlette Stoyer NAMI Summit County Executive Director

## NAMI Summit County announces Jamie Messenger promoted to Associate Executive Director



NAMI Summit County announces that Jamie Messenger, MSW, LSW, LICDC, OCPSA has been promoted to Associate Executive Director of NAMI Summit County. Jamie has been dedicated to serving Summit County and advocating for mental health and recovery services for over fifteen years. She will work alongside Leslie Powlette Stoyer, Executive Director to advance the mission of NAMI Summit County, including the successful implementation of NAMI educational programs and support groups, while contributing to the day-to-day operations of the NAMI Summit County office.

Jamie previously served in the capacity as NAMI Summit County's Program Manager where she successfully delivered NAMI Summit County's Signature Education Programs, Support Groups, and Human Services Programs, including volunteer recruitment for programming. From 2015-2021, Jamie served on the NAMI Board of Directors, serving as their Board Development Chair, and

serving on the Executive and Advocacy and Outreach committees.

In addition to serving as NAMI Summit County's Program Manager, Jamie continued to maintain her position at Oriana House as Program Administrator, where she exceeded expectations working with the SHARP (severe mental health) population and leading teams at two residential sites.

In 2019, Jamie and her SHARP team were recognized as supervising a program of excellence. As a result, the SHARP program was awarded the Clifford Skeen Award by the Bureau of Community Sanctions. Jamie also developed a community model as the Resource Specialist for Drug Safe Hudson Coalition providing mental health and addiction resource information, educating the community, and building sustainable relationships with key stakeholders. Jamie holds a bachelor's degree in political science and a Master of Social Work from the University of Akron.