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GHS AND NAMI GENESEE BRING MOVIE PREVIEW "COMING UP FOR AIR" TO FLINT

Flint, Michigan – Genesee Health System and NAMI Genesee County are sponsoring a local preview of the movie "[Coming Up for Air](https://www.comingupforairmovie.com/)," (<https://www.comingupforairmovie.com/>) a Michigan filmed, breathtaking family drama which takes audiences on an all-too-common journey, highlighting the importance of mental health care, sensible gun safety laws and the pressures that are put upon teenagers to succeed.

The film is set for national theatrical release in September. Genesee Health System and NAMI Genesee are partnering to bring a preview and community discussion to Genesee County.

Scheduled for June 25th at 5:30 PM at the Mott College Regional Technical auditorium, the event will feature the film preview and a discussion by the film's producer Roger Rapaport. Following the preview, a panel discussion about mental health and supporting individuals with mental health will occur and will welcome audience questions. Light refreshments will be offered.

"Like any CEO or CMH board member that has been attending conferences regularly for 20 years, I have heard a lot of presentations and speeches. It is very rare that I hear one and think, 'My community needs to see this. I have to do this,'" says Danis Russell, CEO of GHS.

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“This film preview was powerful and moving, and I felt compelled to bring this to the greater Flint area.”

“NAMI Genesee supports community education and the elimination of stigma for individuals and family members of loved ones with mental illnesses. It is our hope that attendees of this event will come away with an understanding of mental illness and understand that there is hope and there is help,” said Suzanne Kellom, NAMI Genesee President. “We were happy to partner with GHS to bring this film preview to our area.”

NAMI Genesee is the Genesee County affiliate of the National Alliance on Mental Illness. They are a grassroots family support group founded in 1983 and have over 120 dues paying members. There are over 50 local NAMI affiliates in Michigan and a state NAMI-Michigan office in Lansing Michigan. Genesee County NAMI’s local motto is "Give hope and help".

Genesee Health System promotes hope and health by recognizing the interconnectedness of the body, the mind, and the community. Services include primary health care, mental health services, substance use disorder treatment, assessment and referral for the Genesee County community for all ages. Special services also include outreach for those affected by the Water Crisis and to special populations. Call 810.257.3705 to learn more, or go to www.genhs.org

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