## Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Conservatorship Resources

- California Welfare and Institutions Code for Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS)
   Conservatorship (link). This is the legal term used for California involuntary
   mental health treatment. This is one form of treatment that may be used for
   individuals who have little or no reasoning ability, or who have the neurological
   disorder of not being able to recognize their illness and/or tend to be in and out of
   hospitals, jails and homelessness. This document provides a powerful format to
   build a case for treatment and information for the procedure of the legal process.
- <u>California Welfare & Institutions Code 5008.2(link)</u> states that all health care providers must take your information/report. A back and forth dialog about the patient can only be provided after the patient signs a Release of Information (ROI) form.
- <u>California Welfare & Institutions Code 5358.5(link)</u> oultines the process for a
  person who is under the LPS Conservatorship to be placed back in treatment at
  the discretion of the conservator. The intent of this law is to provide for the
  continuum of treatment without having the patient decompensate.
- This document is to be given to all treatment facilities(link) placing the facility on notice that prior to administering medication, placement and treatment the facility must have the conservator's permission.

## NAMI LACC/DMH LPS Conservatorship FAQ

LPS Guidelines & FAQ's from LAC DMH and NAMI LACC