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Virtual Speaker Event

***Early Intervention for Schizophrenia in Connecticut:
Expanding The STEP Program***

Thursday, Sept. 28

7 - 8:30 PM | Zoom

**Join us for a virtual presentation
with Dr. Vinod Srihari**

**Free of charge
& open to the public**



Dr. Vinod Srihari is a Professor of Psychiatry at Yale University and the Director of the STEP Program. His scholarly focus is on improving the outcomes of early course schizophrenia spectrum disorders. Dr. Srihari also consults with healthcare systems that seek to initiate or refine early intervention services for recent onset or 'first-episode' psychosis.

ABOUT STEP

STEP is a collaborative program of Yale University Dept. of Psychiatry and the CT Dept. of Mental Health & Addiction Services. This evidence-based model of care seeks to provide comprehensive treatment for individuals experiencing first episode psychosis in order to prevent symptoms from becoming disabling. The current STEP Program serves young adults who have experienced the onset of psychosis within the last three years and live in 10 towns near New Haven. The goal of the expansion is to provide early detection and assessment coordinators to all CT regions to improve access and determine gaps in pathways to care. This is expected to be followed by efforts to improve outcomes of care and deliver a comprehensive care pathway accessible to all regions of Connecticut.

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NAMI Southwest CT is an affiliate of NAMI - the National Alliance on Mental Illness - the nation's largest grassroots, nonprofit organization aimed at improving quality of life for individuals and their families living with mental health conditions.

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