The three most common eating disorders are anorexia nervosa (AN), bulimia nervosa (BN), and binge eating disorder (BED). Additional eating disorders include: avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder (ARFID), rumination disorder (RD), pica, other specified feeding or eating disorder (OSFED), and unspecified feeding or eating disorder (UFED).

Anyone can develop an eating disorder regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, culture, size, socioeconomic status, or sexual orientation. Food, exercise, and body image issues come in all shapes and sizes-everyone deserves the chance to get help.

Through increased awareness, early intervention, and improved access to treatment, we can confront these serious illnesses and provide those in need with essential programs and services.

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# NATIONAL EATING DISORDERS ASSOCIATION

# WHO WEARE

The National Eating Disorders Association (NEDA) supports individuals and families affected by eating disorders, and serves as a catalyst for prevention, cures, and access to quality care.

As the leading not-for-profit organization in the United States advocating on behalf of and supporting those affected by eating disorders, NEDA's lifesaving programs reach millions every year.

Eating disorders are not fads, phases, or lifestyle choices—they are real, complex medical and psychiatric illnesses that can have serious consequences for health, relationships, and overall quality of life.



# PROGRAMS & SERVICES

## **LEARN**

#### The Feeding Hope Fund for Clinical Research

provides grants to clinical researchers focusing on innovative treatment, prevention, and training research.

**NEDAcon** brings together individuals and loved ones who are experiencing eating disorders or wanting to learn more about eating and body image issues. Our regional conferences are a great way to connect with others looking for information and support.

**NEDA Toolkits** provide accessible information and resources on a variety of issues surrounding eating disorders.

The **Body Project** is an early intervention program that provides tools and skills to confront unrealistic appearance ideals and develop healthy body image and self-esteem.

# **FIND HELP AND SUPPORT**

The **NEDA Information & Treatment Option Helpline** is a toll-free, confidential national helpline (myneda.org/helpline) that provides support, resources, and treatment options to those personally affected and their loved ones.

### The Online Eating Disorder Screening

(myneda.org/screening-tool) assesses warning signs of an eating disorder. This screening is not a replacement for clinical evaluation.

# NEDA's CME course for Physician Assistants, Eating Disorders:

**Presentation & Diagnosis**, provides clinical assessment skills for eating disorders screening. This activity has been reviewed by the AAPA Review Panel and is compliant with AAPA CME Criteria. This activity is designated for 3 AAPA Category 1 CME credits. Approval

is valid from 5/14/2020 to 5/14/2021. PAs should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation. AAPA reference number: CME-200352.



## **AWARENESS AND ADVOCACY**

**NEDA Walks** unite communities and raise awareness and vital funds to support NEDA's programs and services.

#### National Eating Disorders Awareness Week

**(#NEDAwareness)** provides information, resources, and messages promoting early intervention, hope, and recovery for the largest eating disorders outreach effort in the nation.

### Weight Stigma Awareness Week (#WSAW)

helps the broader eating disorders community understand why weight stigma should matter to everyone, not only those in higher weight bodies.

### NEDA's legislative and regulatory advocacy

efforts center on awareness, education, training, early intervention and prevention programs, funding for research, and improved access for the treatment of eating disorders. Our legislative and regulatory advocacy encourages advancement and change through work with legislators, grassroots advocates, and alliances with groups who share our vision.

## DEVASTATING ILLNESSES WITH SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES.

Anorexia nervosa has the highest mortality rate of any mental illness.

Binge eating disorder has strong associations with depression, anxiety, guilt, and shame.

Bulimia nervosa can lead to electrolyte and chemical imbalances that affect the heart, possibly leading to heart failure.

### RECOVERY IS POSSIBLE. HELP IS AVAILABLE.

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# **CONTACT HELPLINE**

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