

Lisa Paxton



I live in the far southeastern end of Kentucky in the city of Pikeville. As a person who has lived with a serious mental illness for most of my life, I have learned what it means to advocate for myself and for others. I have worked in mental health going on 17 years. In my work, I have provided services to those with serious mental illness and now in other areas of mental health at Mountain Comprehensive Care Center. In my region, I became one of the founders of a NAMI affiliate for our mountain region and currently head the organization of monthly Mountain Consumer Alliance (Regional Advocacy Group) meetings for the region. I am glad to have another opportunity to further my beliefs in the work of advocacy by becoming a member of the PAIMI Council. I am thankful that I have been given another avenue to be part of positive changes for those who live with disabilities and/or mental illness.