



July 7, 2017

The Honorable John Nygren
Room 309 East
State Capitol
P.O. Box 8953
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Representative Nygren,

Mental Health America (MHA) – founded in 1909 – is the nation's leading community-based nonprofit dedicated to addressing the needs of those living with mental illness and to promoting the overall mental health of all Americans. One of MHA's signature programs is its Regional Policy Council.

The Regional Policy Council (RPC) cultivates a constructive partnership with its affiliate field, state policy leaders, and other mental health stakeholders working together to initiate, advocate for, and implement federal and state policies that positively affect people living with mental health and substance use conditions. It is led by six national policy experts from the MHA affiliate field.

You have been nominated by your constituent, Mental Health America of Wisconsin, to be honored as a legislative mental health champion in recognition of your outstanding work on mental health issues. Mental Health America proudly invites you to receive this Leadership Award at our Regional Policy Council Legislator Awards Breakfast.

- On Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at 8:00 am at the Hyatt Regency in Denver, Colorado; coinciding with the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) Annual Meeting

The work of Mental Health America is driven by our commitment to promote mental health as a critical part of overall wellness, including prevention services for all, early identification and intervention for those at risk, integrated care, services, and supports for those who need it, with recovery as the goal. More information about Mental Health America may be found by visiting mentalhealthamerica.net.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration of our invitation. Please contact me at (703) 946-3029 or dplotnick@mentalhealthamerica.net to let us know you'll be able to join us to accept your award in person.

Sincerely,

Debbie Plotnick, Vice President Mental Health Systems and Advocacy