

On Wed., March 21st at 6:30 pm there will be a special presentation to inform our NAMI membership and the community about the upcoming adoption for Assisted Outpatient Treatment or "Laura's Law". Debra Buckles, our Stanislaus County Public Guardian and BHRS leader will share what the developing plan will mean for our families wishing to get their loved one help. NAMI members, Rhonda Allen and Linda Mayo and as well as other members of the Community Work Group developing the AOT plan will also be there to provide input on how the law will work. It is important that families understand their role in the process, who exactly can qualify for help, and what they can expect from the AOT implementation. Finally, family members will have a voice in referring individuals for help, so we want to educate anyone who may have a severely mentally ill family member in need of treatment. Please attend if this may be *you*, and also bring any friends whom you know that may need this information. This is our opportunity to be educated on this new process.

Rhonda Allen