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NAPHS Annual Meeting To Be Held March 16-18, 2009, in Washington, DC

(Washington, D.C., October 1, 2008)...As part of its **2009 Annual Meeting**, the **National Association of Psychiatric Health Systems (NAPHS)** will provide a forum for behavioral healthcare leaders to take their message directly to Capitol Hill about the need for access and coverage, coordinated care, and fair funding for children, adolescents, and adults with behavioral disorders.

The 2009 NAPHS Annual Meeting is scheduled for **March 16 through March 18, 2009**, in **Washington, DC**. The event is being held on **new days** (Monday-Wednesday) in a **new location** (the Mandarin Oriental Washington DC).

Hear the thinking of leaders from Congress, the new administration, and the regulatory agencies that will shape the future of behavioral health for years to come. Get insight into how new trends in health care overall (such as public and private payer demands for transparency, accountability, safety and quality, avoidance of medical errors, and more) may play out in behavioral health.

For more information about attending or sponsoring an event at the 2009 NAPHS Annual Meeting, see www.naphs.org. Or call NAPHS at 202/393-6700, ext. 104 or 107 (email maria@naphs.org or frieda@naphs.org) for sponsor details.

NAPHS advocates for behavioral health and represents provider systems that are committed to the delivery of responsive, accountable, and clinically effective prevention, treatment, and care for children, adolescents, adults, and older adults with mental and substance use disorders. Its members are behavioral healthcare provider organizations that own or manage more than 600 specialty psychiatric hospitals, general hospital psychiatric and addiction treatment units and behavioral healthcare divisions, residential treatment facilities, youth services organizations, and extensive outpatient networks. The association was founded in 1933.

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