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# **Butler County**

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### **BUTLER COUNTY SUPPORT GROUPS**

**AL-ANON: 1-800-628-8920, [www.pa-al-anon.org](http://www.pa-al-anon.org) (Meets in Butler, Chicora & Mt Chestnut)**

*The Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength, and hope in order to solve their common problems*

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: 724-679-5647**

**ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL OF BUTLER: 724-287-1965**

#### **ALZHEIMER'S & DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUPS:**

**Alzheimer's Association: 1-800-272-3900 (Line Operates 24/7)**

**Concordia Lutheran Ministries: 724-352-1571 ext. 8271 (Contact Melissa Weichey)**

**Lifesteps: 724-283-1010 ext. 233 (Contact Lee Ann Fisher)**

**VA Medical Center: 724-285-2211 (Contact Betty Bonner/Dawn Zurzolo)**

**Paramount Senior at Cranberry: 724-779-5020 (Contact Anita Rupert)**

**Saxony Health Center: 724-352-9445/724-816-6046 (Contact Dawn Brightshue)**

**Sunnyview: 724-332-6872 (Contact Debra Monteleone)**

**ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY NETWORK OF PENNSYLVANIA: 215-699-2139, [www.abin-pa.org](http://www.abin-pa.org)**

**BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA: 1-866-635-7097, [www.biapa.org](http://www.biapa.org), [info@biapa.org](mailto:info@biapa.org)**

**FAMILY TO FAMILY: 724-453-1090**

*Sponsorship by the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Butler County. Support groups for families and friends of the mentally ill.*

**VICTIMS OUTREACH INTERVENTION CENTER: 1-800-400-8551 (24 hour hotline), [www.voiceforvictims.com](http://www.voiceforvictims.com)**

*Support group for victims of domestic violence, battered women, or parenting.*

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP AT CONCORDIA: 724-933-8888 (Contact Nicole Rosswog)**

**NAMI: 724-431-0069 (Contact Kathy McDonnell)**

*Support for family and friends of those with mental health and behavioral issues.*

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS: 1-888-251-2426 (TTY: 412-391-5247)**

**PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION: 412-565-5395, [www.phrc.state.pa.us](http://www.phrc.state.pa.us)**

*PHRC's mission is to administer and enforce the PHRAct and the PFEOA of Pennsylvania for the identification and elimination of discrimination and provide equal opportunity for all persons.*

**SOMEONE'S CARING: 724-287-2273, [www.thompson-miller.com](http://www.thompson-miller.com)** (Contact Robin Miller)

*For those who have experienced the death of a loved one.*

**SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE: 724-287-2273** (Contact Robin Miller)

**THE VICTORY GROUP: 724-453-6200 ext. 372, [www.victorygrouponline.com](http://www.victorygrouponline.com)** (Contact Diane DiFalco)

*Drug and alcohol support group.*

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**BUTLER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL SUPPORT GROUPS:**

**For information on any of the following BMH groups, contact the  
Butler Memorial Hospital at (724) 283-6666 or email, [education@butlerhealthsystem.org](mailto:education@butlerhealthsystem.org)**

- *After School Alternative Program  
(Children with ADHD)*
- *Alcoholics Anonymous*
- *Butler Regional Recovery Program*
- *Cancer Support Group*
- *Diabetes "Morning Chat"*
- *Diabetes Support Group*
- *Drug & Alcohol Group for parents*
- *Expectant Parents Program*
- *Family Therapy*
- *Gastric by-pass*
- *General Cancer Support Group*
- *Greif Support Services for Children*
- *Group Therapy*
- *Held in Love (Pregnancy Loss)*
- *Individual Therapy*
- *Look good, Feel Better*
- *Narcotics Anonymous*
- *Parenting Support Group*
- *Play Therapy*
- *Traumatic Brain Injury Support Group*
- *Women's Cancer Support Group*

**Butler Memorial Hospital Cancer Support Group**

Last Tuesday of every month from 10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

129 Oneida Valley Road, Room 129, Butler, PA 16001

Contact Stacy Meyer at (724) 431-1822

## VNA SUPPORT GROUPS

*Call the Bereavement Coordinator for information about current programs  
(724) 431-3520 or visit our website at [www.vna.com](http://www.vna.com)*

### FOR ADULTS: SUPPORT AND EDUCATION

#### **Grief Classes and Support Sessions**

Held four times per year (seasonally) in Butler, Kittanning and Grove City (and by request).  
Contact for next start date (724) 431-3520

#### **Transitions Social**

Ongoing social opportunities for men and women who have lost a spouse or partner  
Contact for schedule of events (724) 431-3520

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### FOR CHILDREN & TEENS: SUPPORT AND EDUCATION

**Family Connections:** A day of fun activities where bereaved families can meet others like them.

**Forever Friends:** Session for high school students who have lost a classmate/close friend.

**Changing Classrooms:** Classroom session grades K-6 after the death of a classmate/teacher.

### FOR FAMILY CAREGIVERS: SUPPORT AND EDUCATION

**Grieving Now:** Individualized session for individuals or families facing an impending

**Caring Well:** Individualized session to preserve, kindle and liberate the spirit of the caregiver

**Caring Decisions:** Individualized session for the seriously ill for counseling and education on options. This unique program of the VNA gives families an opportunity to meet with a counselor to discuss and explore options regarding their health care choices when facing a serious illness of any kind. The counselor will listen to your concerns and provide information about the many services available from all agencies within your community. Your personal visit can occur at your convenience in your home, hospital, skilled nursing facility, assisted living facility or personal care home within our service area. Our counselors can dispel myths, reduce anxiety and facilitate informed decision making. This service does not require a physician order. Anyone can request this service and there is no fee.

#### **Just What the Doctor Ordered:**

*Caregiver Support Group*

350 Hansen Plaza, Lyndora, PA 16045

724-287-2022, (Contact: Erica or Hannah)

***Third Wednesday of each month, 6:00PM***

### **INDIVIDUALIZED GRIEF SUPPORT:**

**Private Session:** A support session with bereavement specialist for assessment and direction. Make an appointment to meet privately with a bereavement specialist for an assessment of your grief reaction and for education on appropriate resources for your situation.

### **ANNUAL PROGRAMMING:**

**Beyond Memories, Butterfly Release:** Annual Community Memorial Service and uplifting Butterfly release

**Women's Winter Wellness Retreat:** Day Retreat for Women who have recently loss spouse or partner

**Grief Support and Education Classes:** Six session education and support program for newly bereaved

**Holiday Grief, Surviving the Season:** A community outreach program for those who are facing the holidays after a loss. These sessions generally take place in November and early December.

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**LIBRARY RESOURCES:** *The Bob Schmieler Memorial Library houses books and materials for children, teens and adults on coping with serious illness, dying, caregiving, and grief after specific loss and loss in general. Call for an appointment to review or borrow materials*

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### **STROKE & BRAIN INJURY SUPPORT GROUP** ***Fourth Monday of each month, 6:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M.***

Veteran's Administration Medical Center  
Healthcare Auditorium  
325 New Castle Road  
Butler, PA 16001

**For more information please contact:**

**The Butler VA at 1-800-362-8262**

[www.biapa.org](http://www.biapa.org), [www.stroke.org](http://www.stroke.org)

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