

MHA-NYC gala to honor Fisher of Fisher Brothers

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The Mental Health Association of New York City (MHA-NYC) is holding its annual benefit gala on June 6th at Cipriani 42nd St. The event, "Where There is Help, There is Hope," will honor philanthropic leader, Kenneth Fisher, of Fisher Brothers, and founder of Fisher Houses, a network of 60 "homes away from home" for military families to be close to a loved one during hospitalization for an illness, disease or injury.

This year's gala will focus on the mental wellbeing of our nation's veterans and military personnel whose psychological wounds are as painful and debilitating as the physical injuries sustained in war.

To serve American veterans, MHA-NYC has partnered with government to provide life-saving programs such as the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and the Veterans' Crisis Line. These lines respond to hundreds of thousands of calls for help each year.

The event also marks the one-year anniversary of the launch of MHA-NYC's National Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and Emotional Wellness Alliance. The Alliance will have a lasting legacy on many thousands of veterans, recreational and professional athletes, their families and others impacted by brain injury by raising awareness of the behavioral health impact of concussions and more severe TBIs.

"MHA's annual benefit is the largest opportunity each year for our organization to raise needed funds to continue our vital, life-saving work. Whether it is emotional distress associated with TBI, or other traumatic events that can turn life for players, soldiers, and their families on a dime, MHA-NYC's programs bring help, hope, and the promise of a better future," said Giselle Stolper, president and CEO of MHA-NYC.

Ric Clark, Chairman of Brookfield Office Properties and Bruce Mosler, Chairman of Global Brokerage, Cushman & Wakefield, Inc. will serve as Dinner Chairs. Vice Chairs for "Where There is Help, There is Hope" are: Frank Branchini, President and COO of EmblemHealth, Inc., Scott Cutler, Executive Vice President and Head of Global Listings at NYSE Euronext, Kevin J. Danehy, Executive Chairman, Brookfield Global Relocation Services, Inc., and Cynthia Zirinsky, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, New York Gracie Square Hospital.

Learn more about the event and ticket purchases at www.mha-nyc.org/2013gala

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