

# National Recovery Month

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### Summit Nearing 95% of Capacity - Register Now

#### Where:

Hyatt Regency New Brunswick  
Two Albany Street  
New Brunswick, NJ 08901



Only two weeks to go, click image to Register Now!

#### When:

Wednesday September 12, 2012  
from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM EDT  
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#### Read about many more Recovery Month events below, including:

- Recovery Walks! 2012
- Anti-heroin rally & memorial
- Recovery Rallies in Bergen & Passaic Counties

I am pleased to announce this Saturday, September 1st marks the beginning of Recovery Month which Governor Chris Christie has [proclaimed in the State of New Jersey](#). Now in its 23rd year nationally, Recovery Month highlights individuals who have reclaimed their lives and are now living happy and healthy lives in long-term recovery. The observance also honors prevention, treatment, and recovery service providers who work to make recovery possible.

Below you'll find numerous ways for you to celebrate this special month including the Council's 21st Annual Summit - *Creating Healthy and Safe Communities* - which will be a day of Celebration, Recognition and Learning. Throughout September, the Council will also be posting resources and information about addiction recovery on its [Facebook page](#) for State residents to access.

I am blessed to be a person in long-term recovery from alcoholism for more than twenty-six years. I am also blessed to have had the opportunity to work professionally for nearly twenty-five of those years to improve the lives of addicted individuals and their families.

During this time, I've recognized the importance of publicly proclaiming and celebrating recovery in an effort to reduce the debilitating stigma that is associated with addictive illness. I've also recognized the importance of taking moments to pause and reflect, and to remember those that have tragically lost their lives to this devastating disease.

I encourage each of you to proclaim, celebrate, pause, reflect and remember in the coming days.

Sincerely,

*John Kulick*

Executive Director

- Walk for Wellness & Recovery
- Northeast Conference on Behavioral Health & Addictive Disorders



Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse



[Click here to Register for the GCADA 21st Annual Summit](#)

***With only two weeks to go, the Summit is nearing 95% of capacity. Be sure to register now before registration closes.***

### **Recovery Walks! 2012**

New Jersey Prevention Network (NJPN) will be coordinating busses to bring people from throughout New Jersey to the [Recovery Walks! 2012](#) event, in Philadelphia, on Saturday, September 22nd. Last year more than 15,000 attended this large tri-state region event.

GCADA has sponsored the free bus transportation and free lunch will also be provided by the New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services for all who participate at the event through NJPN! To enjoy the bus transportation and lunch you must register through NJPN. To register please [click here](#).

Also, congratulations to PRO-ACT, sponsor of the event, for receiving the [Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Recovery Month Program award](#) for their 2011 Rally and Walk/Run. The award will be made in Washington, DC, on September 6th as part of the [Recovery Month kick-off](#).

### **Anti-heroin rally and memorial**

Anti-heroin organizations across the United States will be conducting [anti-heroin rallies and memorials](#) on Saturday, September 15th.

The New Jersey event is being held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 642 Market Street in Camden beginning 11:30 am. GCADA Executive Director John Hulick is scheduled to be a guest speaker.

### **Recovery Rally in Bergen County**

The Fr. Jim McKenna Memorial Fund is holding its 2nd Annual Recovery Rally in Ridgefield Park on Saturday, September 22nd beginning at noon.

The Rally aims to celebrate National Recovery Month and support the REALITY OF RECOVERY for all. To learn more please [click here](#).

## Recovery Rally in Passaic County

The Passaic County Professional Advisory Committee on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse, in association with Eva's Village, is holding its 2nd Annual Recovery Rally in Paterson on September 8th.

The Rally aims to walk and raise awareness about substance use, celebrate individuals in recovery, and acknowledge the work of treatment and recovery service providers. To learn more please [click here](#).

## Walk for Recovery and Wellness

The Mental Health Association in New Jersey, in association with NCADD-New Jersey, is holding its 5th Annual Walk for Recovery and Wellness in Piscataway on Sunday, October 7th beginning at 8:30 am.

The Walks' aim is to celebrate wellness and recovery and to recognize the prevalence of co-occurring conditions involving mental and addictive illnesses. To learn more please [click here](#).

## Northeast Conference on Behavioral Health and Addictive Disorders

*Registration discounts available to Summit attendees*

The COUNSELOR magazine and US JOURNAL TRAINING (USJT) accepted GCADA's invitation to hold its Northeast Conference in association with the Council. The Conference will immediately follow the Summit, September 12th through September 15th.

Summit attendees are invited to attend Robert Ackerman's opening keynote presentation, "Developing Healthy Families: Show Me the Way to Grow Home", on the evening of the 12th at no cost. If you would like to attend Robert Ackerman's opening keynote presentation, **please indicate "Yes" in the Northeast Conference section of the Summit registration form.**

The conference also features nationally known speakers and workshop presenters addressing key issues of interest. USJT is making ten percent discounts available to Summit attendees for full program and daily registration.

To learn more about the Northeast Conference, [click here](#). **Be sure to use discount code 32204 to receive the discount.**

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