

STATE OF NEW JERSEY EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation.

WHEREAS, National Addiction Professionals Day is part of National Recovery Month, established in 1992 by the NAADAC, the National Association for Addiction Professionals, to recognize the vital work that they do on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, National Addiction Professionals Day aims to increase awareness and understanding of the powerful work of addiction professionals to assist individuals with substance use disorders to achieve their desired goals; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has a robust number of Certified Peer Recovery Specialists providing vital supports to individuals with addictions, and

WHEREAS, addiction professionals are committed to providing compassionate and quality care and instill hope for long-term recovery in countless youth, adults, and families; and

WHEREAS, addiction professionals effectively individualize treatment and recovery supports as a means of assisting each person to follow a path toward successful recovery; and

WHEREAS, addiction professionals combat stigma and discrimination associated with addiction by raising awareness, using evidence-based practices, and treating individuals with dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, addiction professionals maintain the highest degree of competence and ethical practice to inspire and promote an individual's health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, post Covid-19 pandemic, addiction professionals have expanded access to telehealth services and ensured ongoing access to medication for alcohol and opioid use disorders; and

WHEREAS, addiction professionals are dedicated to enhancing the lives of New Jersey citizens through prevention, treatment, and recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP MURPHY, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

SEPTEMBER 19, 2025 AS ADDICTION PROFESSIONALS DAY

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty-seventh day of August in the year two thousand twenty-five, the two hundred fiftieth year of the Independence of the United States.

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