

RECOVERY ADVOCACY DAY



SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

PENNSYLVANIA STATE CAPITOL
HARRISBURG, PA

What is Recovery Advocacy Day?

Recovery Advocacy Day aims to raise awareness of substance use conditions, celebrates individuals in recovery, and acknowledges the work of prevention, treatment, and recovery support services. In order to do this, participants are invited to meet with their elected officials, share their story, and convey a message of hope.

Schedule of Events*

10:50 a.m. to 11 a.m.	Gather in Main Rotunda
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Media Event in Main Rotunda
12 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Legislative Visits
3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Departure

**There is no set time of arrival as participants will be on their own schedule for legislative visits.*

Registration

To pre-register, click [here](#). On the day of the event, participants are asked to sign the Courage to Change Poster located at the Registration Table in the East Wing Rotunda. Staff will be on hand from 10 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. A map of the Capitol Complex can be found [here](#). Upon registration, participants will receive an event button and are invited to sign the Courage to Change poster which will be on display at the Media Event. Large groups are encouraged to use the East Wing entrance. Please see the [Capitol Security Screening Procedures](#).

Legislative Visits

We ask that you spend your time in Harrisburg visiting with members of the General Assembly and/or their staff. Try to schedule an appointment in advance. If possible, please coordinate your visits with other participants from your region. A listing of House and Senate Members can be found [here](#). For more tips, including talking points, please see the [Legislative Visit Guide](#). If you are a county employee, please see information regarding the [Hatch Act and Civil Service Act](#).

Special Notes

Both the House and Senate will be in session on September 25 so please allow for extra time to find parking and get through security. Also, other groups will be present in the capitol to advocate for their own causes. Should you have any questions, please visit the Recovery Advocacy Day Registration Table.

Media Event

To further promote Recovery Advocacy Day, we will be hosting a media event at 11 a.m. in the Main Rotunda. For those interested in participating in this media event, we ask that you gather in the Main Rotunda at 10:50 a.m. for a group photo.

List of Speakers

- Lori Mishler, Parent Advocate
- Joey Sardo, Member of the Recovery Community
- Marianna Horowitz, Program Coordinator, Pro-A
- Senator Lisa Baker
- Representative Gene DiGirolamo
- Representative Thomas Murt
- Deputy Secretary Ellen DiDomenico, DDAP

Other Information

Bus Parking: Bus parking as available at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex. Drivers are permitted in the North Lot of the complex. Please avoid areas designated for the PA Farmers Open Air Market. For more information, contact the complex at 717-787-5373. Also, please instruct your driver to drop you off at the East Wing Entrance of the Capitol located on Commonwealth Avenue.

Vehicle Parking: Parking garages for smaller vehicles are conveniently located in areas surrounding the Capitol Complex. More information can be found [here](#).

Lunch: Lunch is on your own with many choices nearby. The Capitol Building has a cafeteria located in the East Wing near the Visitor's Center. Seating is available beneath the escalators. A short walk through Capitol Park will bring you to Strawberry Square, which features a food court on the second floor. There are also a number of restaurants near the capitol. If you would like suggestions, please ask an event organizer at the registration table.

Social Media: When posting on social media, participants are welcome to use #PArecovers and #RecoveryMonth to further promote this event.

Dress Theme: Event organizers have selected the color purple as a dress theme. You are welcome to incorporate any variation of this color in your outfit.

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