

National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month: **SEPTEMBER**

National Recovery Month, formerly National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month, is a national observance sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) each September.

NCADD was one of the founding sponsors of Recovery Month more than 20 years ago and has been an active Recovery Month Planning Partner ever since. The observance educates Americans on the fact that addiction treatment and mental health services can enable those with a substance use or mental disorder to live a healthy and rewarding life.

Recovery Month's message is that prevention works, treatment is effective and people can and do recover. Recovery Month supporters and events encourage local action to help expand and improve the availability of effective recovery services for those in need.

Local NCADD Affiliates across the country hold hundreds of local community events in celebration of recovery month including events at baseball games, picnics, rallies, walks, luncheons and dinners.

As one of the founding partners of the September as National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month, now [Recovery Month](#), NCADD and the NCADD National Network of Affiliates host numerous recovery and awareness events.

For the past three years, NCADD has worked with A&E and its Recovery Project in planning and sponsoring a National Recovery Rally, the first two years in New York City and the last three in Philadelphia, in conjunction with NCADD Affiliates from the area. In 2009, the [NYC Recovery Rally](#) attracted a crowd of 10,000 and the 2012 [Recovery Walks](#) Rally, sponsored by NCADD Affiliate, the Council of Southeast Pennsylvania/PRO-ACT, drew a crowd of more than 15,000! Come join us for [Recovery Walks](#) 2013 in Philadelphia! The theme of Recovery Month 2013 is "**Togerther on Pathways to Recovery.**"

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