



# What's Great in Our State:

## A Celebration of Children's Mental Health Awareness

Youth and families speak out about the importance of children's mental health awareness and honorees recognized for successfully addressing the issues of children's mental health in New York State.

**Hosts:** Early Care & Learning Council  
Families Together in New York State  
Infant Mental Health Association/ The Capital District Child Care Council  
NAMI-NYS  
New York State Council on Children and Families  
New York State Office of Mental Health  
Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy

**When:** May 5, 2015 at NOON

**Where:** Huxley Auditorium , New York State Museum, Albany, New York

**What:** A Ceremony honoring individuals and programs that are successfully addressing the issues of children's mental health in New York State.

**Governor Cuomo's Proclamation** of May 5th – 12th as Children's Mental Health Awareness Week in New York State.

**An Art Exhibit** will feature artwork from children struggling with behavioral health challenges throughout New York State.

**Why:** Children's Mental Health Awareness Day seeks to raise awareness about the importance of children's social emotional development and to show that positive mental health is essential to a child's healthy development from birth.

The "What's Great In Our State" event will recognize the programs, agencies, educators, parents and students who have dedicated themselves to raising awareness of children's mental health issues in New York State.

This event will honor individuals and programs that are successfully addressing the issues of children's mental health, including work on early identification, outreach, family education, providing mental health awareness in schools and successful intervention on behalf of afflicted children and their families.

This 6th annual is planned by a collaborative committee comprised of representatives from The New York State Office of Mental Health, The Council of Children and Families and the Governor's Early Childhood Advisory Council through partnership with several nonprofit organizations, including The Early Care & Learning Council, The National Alliance on Mental Illness-New York State, The Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy, The Capital District Child Care Council and Families Together in New York State.

To register for the event, visit: <http://conta.cc/1JqYNqo>



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