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national children's mental health awareness day



YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2016

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is proud to present the National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day national event on Thursday, May 5, 2016, at The George Washington University's Jack Morton Auditorium in Washington, DC.

The highly interactive format will feature youth and family leaders, public educators, law enforcement officials, and behavioral health professionals discussing how communities can work together to improve access to behavioral health services and supports for children, youth, and youth adults. Organizations and individuals from communities around the country also will share insights on strategies for overcoming barriers to behavioral health care access. In-person and live webcast audience members will have the opportunity to ask questions and share their own perspectives.

Featured speakers include:

- Kana Enomoto—*SAMHSA Principal Deputy Administrator*
- Paolo del Vecchio—*Director, SAMHSA Center for Mental Health Services*



Kana Enomoto

SAMHSA will present a Special Recognition Award to this year's Honorary Chairperson, Reid Ewing—best known for his role as Dylan on "Modern Family"—for his efforts to promote openness and educate others about mental health.

The event will begin with an Awareness Day 2016 partner-supported reception beginning at 6 p.m. EDT.



Paolo del Vecchio

HOST/MODERATOR

Aaron Gilchrist
NBC4 Washington Morning News Anchor

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Aaron Gilchrist



Registration

Admission is free, but registration is required to attend the national event. A limited number of seats are available.

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WHEN:

Thursday, May 5, 2016
Partner-supported reception:
6 p.m. EDT
National event: 7 p.m. EDT

WHERE:

Jack Morton Auditorium
The George Washington University
School of Media and Public Affairs
805 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20052

ATTIRE:

Business formal

QUESTIONS?



REID
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Honorary
Chairperson

The Awareness Day national event complements activities in more than 1,100 communities across the country and more than 145 federal programs and national organizations that observe Awareness Day every year.

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