



STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Proclamation

WHEREAS, September is recognized across the United States as National Recovery Month, a time dedicated to promoting the societal benefits of prevention, treatment, and recovery for substance use disorders and mental health conditions; and

WHEREAS, the national theme for this year, "Recovery is REAL (Restoring Every Aspect of Life)," highlights the transformative power of recovery and the ability of individuals to rebuild their health, relationships, and sense of purpose; and

WHEREAS, mental health is a vital component of overall wellbeing, and access to high quality behavioral health services are essential for individuals, families, and communities throughout New Mexico to thrive; and

WHEREAS, evidence based treatment and recovery services for behavioral health and substance use disorders help individuals reclaim their health, strengthen families, and contribute positively to their communities; and

WHEREAS, educating the public about the impact of behavioral health challenges and substance use disorders is critical to reducing stigma, promoting compassion, and encouraging all who need help to seek care without fear or shame; and

WHEREAS, National Recovery Month honors New Mexicans living in long term recovery and recognizes the professionals, peer support specialists, advocates, and organizations who dedicate their work to prevention, treatment, and recovery support; and

WHEREAS, Recovery Month also raises awareness of the power of accessible mental health support, substance use treatment, and peer driven recovery services to help individuals build healthy, fulfilling, and rewarding lives; and

WHEREAS, my administration has worked tirelessly to strengthen New Mexico's behavioral health and recovery system by rebuilding statewide behavioral health infrastructure and expanding access to treatment, particularly in rural and underserved communities. The state has increased the number of behavioral health and Medicaid providers, expanded crisis response and early intervention services, invested in behavioral health workforce development, and improved the affordability and availability of care. Through strategic investments and cross agency coordination, New Mexico has broadened access to addiction treatment, supportive housing, and essential community based services, creating a more responsive, person-centered continuum of care that supports long-term recovery for individuals and families across the state; and

WHEREAS, to help more New Mexicans engage in prevention, treatment, recovery, and long term wellness, the Behavioral Health Services Division of the New Mexico Health Care Authority, Recovery Communities of New Mexico, and the New Mexico Peer Coalition invite residents statewide to participate in National Recovery Month activities and initiatives;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim September 2026, as:

"National Recovery Month"

throughout the state of New Mexico.

Attest:

Maggie Dalouse Oliver
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Secretary of State

Done at the Executive Office this
15th day of July 2026.

Witness my hand and the Great Seal
of the State of New Mexico.

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

