



# Keep the Promise Coalition

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## Access to Medications and Housing: Current Status and Future Advocacy

Research shows that access to medications and housing are intrinsic to successful recovery, stability, health, and community integration for people with mental illnesses in CT.

Join Us for a Keep the Promise Coalition Training for Information on:

### Recent state & federal public policy issues impacting the mental health community:

- Restricting Access to Medications
- Funding for Supportive Housing Units
- Other Medicaid and Healthcare related Issues

### Advocacy opportunities and strategies

- How to engage and effectively communicate with your policymakers
- How to strengthen your voice by connecting with a coalition
- Brief overview of the legislative process

**Thursday, October 22, 2009**  
**1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
**Old Judiciary Room, CT State Capitol**  
**210 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106**

**Tuesday, October 27, 2009**  
**10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**  
**Fairfield Public Library**  
**1080 Boston Post Rd, Fairfield, CT 06824**

Facilitated by: **Alicia Woodsby, MSW** Public Policy Director, NAMI-CT  
**Jan VanTassel, Esq.** Executive Director, CT Legal Rights Project

*The training will also review why access to medications and housing are critical components for recovery and reducing costs on multiple state systems; and provide information about resources for people with mental illnesses and their families seeking medications and housing. A take home advocacy resource booklet will be provided.*

**To register, contact Cheri or Maura at 800.215.3021 or at [keepthepromise@namict.org](mailto:keepthepromise@namict.org). The training is free to the public with limited seating available.**

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