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TO: ALL JOB CORPS NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF
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SUBJECT: Upcoming Mental Health and Wellness Program (MHWP)-Related Observances

1. Purpose. To provide MHWP-related observances April through December, 2015.
2. Background. Centers are encouraged to plan educational MHWP-focused events for students and staff. These events help reduce the stigma of mental health conditions, increase the visibility of the MHWP program, promote positive emotional wellness, and fulfill the requirements of the educational component of the Policy and Requirements Handbook for MHWP (6.10 [R1, b3]). Listed below are mental-health related observances.

Date	Observance	Web site
April	Sexual Assault Awareness Month of Action Sponsor: National Sexual Violence Resource Center	http://www.nsvrc.org/saam
April	Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month Sponsor: Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN)	https://rainn.org/
April 7	Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Day of Action Sponsor: National Sexual Violence Resource Center	www.nsvrc.org/saam/current-campaign/day-of-action
May	Mental Health Month Sponsor: Mental Health America	http://www.mentalhealthamerica.net/may

Date	Observance	Web site
September	National Recovery Month Sponsor: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)	http://www.recoverymonth.gov
September 7-13	National Suicide Prevention Week Sponsor: American Association of Suicidology	www.suicidology.org
September 10	World Suicide Prevention Day Sponsors: International Association for Suicide Prevention and American Association of Suicidology	https://www.iasp.info/wspd/
September 17	RAINN Day Sponsor: Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN)	www.rainn.org/rainnday
October	Domestic Violence Awareness Month Sponsor: National Coalition Against Domestic Violence	http://nnedv.org/getinvolved/dvam.html
October	National Bullying Prevention Month Sponsor: PACER Center, Inc.	http://www.pacer.org/bullying/nbpm/
October 4-10	Mental Illness Awareness Week Sponsor: National Alliance on Mental Illness	www.nami.org
October 8	National Depression Screening Day [®] Sponsor: Screening for Mental Health, Inc.	www.mentalhealthscreening.org/events/national-depression-screening-day.aspx
November 22	International Survivors of Suicide Day Sponsor: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention	www.afsp.org

3. Action. If available, submit photos of MHWP-related events to Julie Luht at julie.luht@humanitas.com for inclusion in future health and wellness publications.

Addressees are to ensure this Information Notice is distributed to all appropriate staff.

4. Expiration Date. Until superseded.

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