SEPTEMBER 2022 RECAP

The EDC is excited to be an Impact Partner for LookUp's 2022 Y4Y Summit on October 15th.
Speakers will talk about their efforts to change the world through topics including: tech for good, advocacy/legislative efforts, digital well-being, impactful storytelling & leading a movement for Gen Z.

Kelsey Wu, EDC Ambassador and Founder of For You will be speaking at the summit!

Learn More & Register

STORY COLLECTION

OUR STORIES
TELEMENTAL HEALTH CARE

Share how virtual care has helped your eating disorder recovery to show Congress the continued need for telehealth care funding.

The EDC is collecting quotes, statements, or short stories on individuals’ experience with telemental health care.
Providers and patients are encouraged to submit stories on their experience with individual or group therapy.

**Share Your Story**

**LEGISLATION UPDATES**

**ANNA WESTIN LEGACY ACT**

H.R. 7249/S.3686

Legislation would continue funding for training healthcare professionals on how to identify the signs & symptoms of eating disorders.

11 Members of Congress become co-sponsors in September!

The EDC thanks Representatives Anna Eshoo (D-CA-18), Grace Napolitano (D-CA-32), Madeleine Dean (D-PA-04), Thomas Suozzi (D-NY-03), Stephen Lynch (D-MA-08), Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR-01), Jake Auchincloss (D-MA-04), Salud Carbajal (D-CA-
24), Lori Trahan (D-MA-03), Don Bacon (R-NE-02) and Senator Tina Smith (D-MN).

Urge Your Members of Congress to Become Co-Sponsors!

Take Action

4 Senators become co-sponsors in September!
The EDC thanks Senators Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Steve Daines (R-MT), Gary Peters (D-MI), and Marco Rubio (R-FL).

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The EDC thanks Representatives Cynthia Axne (D-IA-03), Joseph Morelle (D-NY-25), Paul Tonko (D-NY-20), Theodore Deutch (D-FL-22), Jared Huffman (D-CA-02), Lori Trahan (D-MA-03), Peter Welch (D-VT-AL), Stephen F. Lynch (D-MA-04), Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC-AL), Marilyn Strickland (D-WA-10) and Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI).

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BECOME AN EDC AMBASSADOR

Be an EDC leader in your state.
Raise awareness for eating disorders.
Share your story with Members of Congress.
Help pass eating disorders legislation.
Inspire others to get involved with advocacy
And more!

SIGN UP FOR EDC ACTION ALERTS

Be an advocate for eating disorder issues on Capitol Hill!
White House Hunger Conference
On September 30th, the Biden-Harris Administration hosted the White House Hunger Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health and released a national strategy plan to identify actionable items to help end hunger, improve nutrition and physical activity, and reduce diseases and disparities by 2030.

Prior to the conference, the EDC in partnership with the National Center of Excellence for Eating Disorders (NCEED) submitted comments to help inform the White House’s National Strategy and urge the inclusion of eating disorders within the national strategy and conference.

The EDC applauds the Administration for learning and listening to the expertise of the EDC and NCEED and integrating eating disorders into the national strategy. Learn more by reading EDC's press release.

Veterans Affairs Hearing
The EDC and EDC member, REDC, submitted testimony ahead of the House Committee on Veterans Affairs hearing entitled, “Veteran Suicide Prevention: Capitalizing on What Works and Increasing Innovative Approaches.”

The EDC and REDC provided insight on eating disorders among veterans, the impact on veteran suicide, and recommendations for Veterans Affairs and Department of Labor to prevent eating disorders and subsequently suicide. Read testimony.

Watch Hearing

Letters of Support

The EDC Signed onto the Following Letters to:

Senate leadership urging them to pass the Respect for Marriage Act, legislation to protect marriages of same-sex and interracial couples under federal law. Full letter.

Senate Finance Committee urging them to advance the Advancing Telehealth Beyond COVID-19 Act of 2021 before the end of the year. Full letter.
Senators Casey and Cassidy thanking them for introducing the *Health Care Capacity for Pediatric Mental Health Act*, legislation that would make investments in mental health and substance use disorder care for kids and teens while providing support to the pediatric health professionals who serve them. **Full letter.**

Senate HELP Committee urging them to bring forward and pass their mental health package to renew life-saving mental health programs. **Full letter.**

California Governor Gavin Newsom urging him to support *The Miles Hall Lifeline and Suicide Prevention Act* to make California a national leader in transforming responses to individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis. **Full letter.**

*The EDC Co-Led the Following Letters to:*

Senate leadership urging them to advance the *Kids Online Safety Act* and *Children and Teens’ Online Privacy Protection Act* to the U.S. Senate floor this fall. **Full letter.**
House Energy & Commerce leadership urging them to introduce the *Kids Online Safety Act* to significantly improve young people’s wellbeing by transforming the digital environment for children and teens. [Full letter.](#)

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REDC

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**Executive Circle**

National Alliance for Eating Disorders  
National Eating Disorders Association (NEDDA)

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