

# ADDICTION, RECOVERY AND THE FAMILY



## October

**20** Advocating for Addiction Reform  
1PM-2PM EST



**COURTNEY HUNTER**  
*Vice President Advocacy, Shatterproof*

Courtney will share an overview of the national and state legislation and regulatory reform that is impacting those struggling with substance use disorders. As family members, Courtney will share how you can get involved and how your stories and experiences can help influence positive change. From payment reform, medical education, access to medication and quality treatment, there are so many issues that need your voice.

**27** Supporting a Loved One With a Substance Use Disorder  
1PM -2PM EST



**DENISE MARIANO**  
*Family Program Specialist & Peer Coach Mentor, Partnership to End Addiction*

Supporting a loved one with a Substance Use disorder. Denise will share tips for family members affected by their loved ones substance use and discuss the Partnership's free parent coaching program that has been developed to helping parents/caregivers learn new ways to understand the behaviors associated with substance use, the process of change, and new strategies that can both help their loved one initiate changes and support the process.

## November

**05** A Father's Perspective on the Disease of Addiction  
7PM-8PM EST



**PAT MONTOYA**  
*President, Not One More National Chapter Simi Valley California.*

A father's perspective on the disease of addiction. Pat will share his family journey through his children's substance use. Topics will include mental health, treatment, incarceration and supporting a loved one through their substance use disorder.

**10** Speaking Up: Changing the Dialogue to End the Stigma Epidemic  
1PM-2PM EST



**RHONDA MILLER**  
*Executive Director, Speak up for Ben, Inc. and Oasis Community Center*

Rhonda's Family was forever changed by her son Ben's Substance Use disorder and Subsequent overdose death. Today as a Certified Family Recovery Specialist, she is dedicated to helping families affected by addiction. Rhonda will share her family's story, Speak up for Ben's Mission and discuss how stigma around SUD affects families.

Registration info will be via EventBrite.