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Join CCAP in Seven Springs this August

Join us at the Seven Springs Mountain Resort in beautiful and scenic Somerset County this August! The 139th CCAP Annual Conference and Trade Show is the Association’s premiere education event welcoming more than 500 county members, vendors, exhibitors, guests and speakers over the four-day Conference.



There is Still Time to Register - Don't Delay!

While the discounted registration rate has now passed there is still time to register for the Annual Conference at an affordable rate. Don't miss out on what will be four days of amazing content and networking opportunities!

REGISTER TODAY! →

Sponsorship Deadline is July 11

Connect with county leaders by becoming a conference sponsor—demonstrate your support for the association and the vital work of county officials across Pennsylvania.

Sponsorship Opportunities →

Hotel Reservations

All conference activities will take place at **Seven Springs Mountain Resort**, offering a wide range of amenities and stunning mountain views.

The room block cutoff date is **JULY 16**, or earlier if the block fills. After that, availability and the conference rate are not guaranteed.

Book your Hotel Room TODAY!

BOOK BEFORE JULY 16 →

Conference Details →

CCAP Announces the 2025 CEL Graduates



The County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP) Center for Excellence in County Leadership (CEL), a premier professional development program for county government leaders, graduated 12 individuals from its two and a half-day intensive training program.

The CEL program fosters individual growth through interactive and high-level executive training aimed at improving participants' communication, management and

leadership skills.

An application is required for admittance to the program, with final selection being made by the CCAP Education Committee. The program is open to county commissioners or council members, chief clerks, county administrators, solicitors, and other departmental leaders within Pennsylvania's 67 counties. The 2025 CEL program was produced by [Dering Consulting Group](#).

The 2025 graduates pictured include:

1st Row -

- **Jenesia Negron** - Northampton County Deputy Clerk to County Council
- **Frankie Marks** - Pike County Payroll Administrator
- **Dean Horst** - Franklin County Commissioner
- **Tricia Johnson** - Blair County Director of Social Services, MH/ID Administrator
- **Mark Adams** - Cumberland County Chief Information Officer

2nd Row

- **Amanda Bentzel** -Berk County Chief Clerk/Right to Know Officer
- **Christine Reuther** - Delaware County Council Member

- **Angela Harding** - Clinton County Commissioner
- **Randy Karschner** - Columbia County Commissioner,
- **David Byerman** - Chester County Chief Executive Officer
- **Jason Miller** - Susquehanna County Human Resources Director,
- **Aaron Felker** - Mifflin County MIS Director

Program sponsors include: CCAP PComp, PA Counties Worker Compensation Trust; PCorp, PA Counties Risk Pool; CCAP UC Trust, Unemployment Compensation Trust; MacCain Leinhauser; Campbell Durrant, P.C.; Gabriel Fera P.C.; and Pracademic Partners.

[CEL Program →](#)



NACo Annual Conference Opens Next Week

The NACo Annual Conference is the premier event for county leaders, featuring federal policy discussions, best practice workshops, mobile tours, and engaging sessions.

Key Highlights include:

Saturday, July 12 - The first Great Lakes Regional Forum - hear from other intergovernmental Great Lakes groups like the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative and the Great Lakes Commission.

Monday, July 14 - Mobile workshops will take attendees into Philadelphia for hands-on learning focused on local innovations in sustainability, public art, infrastructure, wellness, and riverfront development.

Sunday, July 13 - Explore four in-depth County Forums on public lands, health & well-being, fiscal health, and economic opportunity—featuring expert insights, innovative strategies, and interactive discussions on today’s top local government challenges.

Experience Philadelphia - Explore Philly's vibrant energy with its rich history, iconic landmarks, world-class museums, diverse neighborhoods, public art, and a renowned food scene.

[More on NACo's Annual Conference →](#)

NACo Behavioral Health Peer Exchange

NACo's Behavioral Health Peer Exchange invites county officials and behavioral health leaders to explore best practices, hear from experts and engage in meaningful peer-to-

peer learning on key behavioral health issues.

- Counties may send an elected official or a staff member representative. If the attendee nominated is not an elected official, a letter of support for their participation from the county must be provided.
- Topics that may be explored during the event include:
 - Community Partnerships
 - Intergovernmental Partnerships
 - 911 & 988 Collaboration
 - Crisis Response Models
 - The Role of First Responders
 - Workforce Development
 - Impact of State Initiatives
 - Jail & Court Diversion Efforts
 - Opioid Settlement Funds

Apply today: The event will be held Sept. 9–11 in Henrico County, Va. NACo will select up to 20 counties to participate. **Applications are due Wednesday, July 23.**

Application →

Evidence Based Practice eLearning Course

The County Chief Adult Probation and Parole Officers Association (CCAPPOA) has announced the release of a free [Evidence Based Practice \(EBP\) Overview for Stakeholders](#) elearning course. CCAP has supported the work of the CCAPPOA for several years.

This 1-hour introductory course provides an overview to justice system stakeholders of the key principles of evidence-based practices: risk, need, responsivity, and effective intervention. Case studies, exercises, and scenario-based situations are used to increase understanding of how to use these proven practices to help people stay law-abiding.

EBP Resources →

PCCD Announces Availability of Funding

The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) has announced the availability of funding under the FY 2024 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Firearm Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative.

A total of \$1 million in federal Byrne SCIP State Share funds is being announced to support this initiative. PCCD expects to fund a total of four (4) to six (6) grants over a 21-month project period under two competitive application tracks:

- Regional/Statewide Projects: Up to \$500,000 for initiatives spanning three or more counties or having a statewide impact.
- Local Projects: Up to \$150,000 for localized efforts.

Suicide remains the leading cause of firearm-related deaths in the U.S. and in Pennsylvania. To address this issue, PCCD has dedicated a portion of its FY 2024 SCIP State Share funds to support statewide, regional, and local strategies to reduce the risk of firearm suicide and mitigate its impact in Pennsylvania communities.

This solicitation requests applications from units of local government, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, statewide organizations, and state government agencies wishing to implement projects and programs that directly address the objectives and proposed approaches under Priority Area 2 in PCCD’s approved [FY 2024 Byrne SCIP Funding Plan](#).

Applications must be submitted in PCCD’s [Egrants](#) system no later than **September 9, 2025**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CCAP Insurance Programs Risk Management Training - Look for details coming in August!

CCAP Solicitors Conference - October 17, CCAP Office, Harrisburg, PA

CCAP Fall Conference - November 23-25, The Hotel Hershey, Hershey, PA

CCAP and PA County Career Opportunities

You'll find CCAP and county government career opportunities at the PA County Job Center.

Is a career opportunity available in your county? Submit a request to have your listing on CCAP's PA County Job Center.

[PA County Job Center →](#)



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