

## 2008-2009 STAR EFFORTS

| State              | STAR Event  | Outcome   | State                 | STAR Event  | Outcome   |
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| <b>Alabama</b>     | Held a candlelight vigil at Reid Chapel at Samford University on 2/25/09    | Raised awareness.   | <b>Minnesota</b>      | Held legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 02/23/09   | Has supportive legislators and will be engaging in more advocacy in the coming year.                  |
| <b>Arkansas</b>    | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 02/26/09 | Had a large turn out for the first event of its kind in the state for eating disorders. Raised awareness and built a team of advocates. | <b>Missouri</b>       | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 2/4/09.  | Proposed legislation to add eating disorders to health insurance policies. See Table 1.               |
| <b>California</b>  | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 2/23/09. | Gained the support of two legislators and introduced a bill. See Table 1.   | <b>Nebraska</b>       | Held an event to raise awareness at Grace University in Omaha on 03/27/09   | Raised awareness.   |
| <b>Connecticut</b> | Held event 6/10/09.   | Has gathered a group of advocates state-wide who will be meeting on a regular basis. Raised awareness.                                  | <b>New Jersey</b>     | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 02/26/09 | Working on building grass roots network of support.   |
| <b>Florida</b>     | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 02/26/09 | Filed a resolution for NEDAWeek in Florida  | <b>New York</b>       | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 03/24/09 | Bill to mandate eating disorder education for medical professionals is being considered. See Table 1. |
| <b>Illinois</b>    | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on          | The event was well attended and attracted media attention. The legislature passed HR 42 to create                                       | <b>North Carolina</b> | A team from the UNC ED Program spoke with the State                         | Has recruited supportive legislators and broad base of volunteers.                                    |

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|                      | 02/25/09  | Eating Disorder Awareness Day in Illinois.  |                     | Senate Mental Health and Youth Services Committee about eating disorders on 4/15/09 |  |
| <b>Kansas</b>        | Met with legislators on 1/22/09 to discuss eating disorders                 |   | <b>Rhode Island</b> | Held a legislative press briefing in the State House on 02/25/09                    | Parity for eating disorders bill was introduced. Advocates from NEDA are collaborating with the RI Health Dept, See Table 1. |
| <b>Maine</b>         | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 02/24/09 | Developed a strong team of advocates and gained the support of legislators. Focus this year will be on raising awareness among educators. | <b>Tennessee</b>    | Held a legislative press briefing in the Old Supreme Court Room on 02/25/09         | Developed position statements to release to the media re: EDs being included in legislation listing obesity.                 |
| <b>Massachusetts</b> | STAR team has worked to develop and disseminate document to explain parity. |   | <b>Texas</b>        | Five bills proposed and introduced.   | An active and strong team of advocates emerged who will continue to fight for legislative action in the future.              |
| <b>Michigan</b>      | Held a legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 02/23/09 | Have developed a “task force” of professionals and consumers who are motivated to bring about change.                                     | <b>Wisconsin</b>    | Held legislative press briefing in the state capitol building on 3/17/09.           | Created strong group of advocates, raised awareness.   |