



MEDIA ADVISORY

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50 Years of Pioneering Leadership in the Battle Against Drugs and Alcohol

**The Consortium Celebrates Half a Century of Compassion and Victory over Adversity
Special Video Message from Pennsylvania's United States Senator Bob Casey**

The Consortium has been on the front-lines of the current opioid addiction crisis, way before the headlines. In its five decades-long history, the Consortium has helped over 250-thousand people throughout the Tri-state area over-come the challenges of mental illness and substance abuse. The Consortium has a compelling record of helping people reach their full potential while strengthening Philadelphia communities, one person at a time, one family at a time. They were also the first methadone clinic in Pennsylvania and the first mental health agency in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with a board of directors elected by the community itself, guaranteeing first-of-its kind, community input.

The Consortium also provides on-sight behavioral health services to West Philadelphia High School and the Paul Robeson High School for Human Services which includes a mentor/internship program with the Robeson High School.

WHEN & WHERE: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 5 PM, at:

The WATERWORKS | 640 Waterworks Drive | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19130

BEST VIDEO/PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES:

--Between 7:00 to 7:45 pm

United States Senator Bob Casey video, accepting The Consortium's Inspirational Courage Award
Hon. John F. White Jr., Consortium President & CEO, civil rights activist, former state and federal official
Judge John M. Younge, Consortium Board Chair
Council for Relationships CEO, Deb D'Arcangelo
International Health Education expert, Glenn Ellis

About the Consortium

The Consortium is an award-winning comprehensive community behavioral health center, serving more than 15-thousand people annually, with five locations in West and Southwest Philadelphia, since 1967. The Consortium provides an array of behavioral health and disabilities programs including: Addiction Services, Behavioral Health Services for Children, Adults and Families and Intellectual Disabilities Support Services, across the City of Philadelphia. Main Office: 3751 Island Avenue - Third Floor - Philadelphia, Pa. 19153

