



Advocates for Autism of Massachusetts  
Invites you to attend  
**Autism Spectrum Awareness Day**  
**Tuesday April 15, 2008**  
**9:30 - 11:30 AM**  
Great Hall  
The State House  
Boston, Massachusetts

**IT TAKES A COMMUNITY:  
PUBLIC & PRIVATE INITIATIVES  
THAT "WORK" FOR FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS  
WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER.**

**9:30 Registration and Refreshments**

**10:00 – Ann Guay: Welcoming Remarks and review of Legislative Agenda**  
*Chairperson AFAM Governmental Affairs*

**10:30 – Elin Howe: Division of Autism Update**  
*Commissioner of Department of Mental Retardation*

**10:45 – Awards Presentation**

**11:15 – AFAM Annual Legislator Awards**

**Representative Rachel Kaprielian**  
*House Committee on Rules, Division Floor Chair*

**11:30 - Closing Remarks with Acknowledgements and Visits with Legislators**

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