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**National Career Development Association  
grants the Pennsylvania Career Development Association (PACDA)  
a State Division Charter**

Broken Arrow, OK, June 28, 2019 ... The National Career Development Association (NCDA), the first, longest running and preeminent career development association in the world, has added its 41<sup>st</sup> state into its growing network of State Divisions! NCDA welcomed the Pennsylvania Career Development Association (PACDA) as its newest charter during the recent Annual Global Career Development Conference held in Houston, Texas.

The idea to form PACDA originated from ACP-GPN (the Association of Career Professionals-Greater Philadelphia Network), a vibrant organization that served Southeast Pennsylvania career professionals for almost 25 years. Now a regional chapter of the new state organization, ACP-GPN recruited an organizing committee that represents the geographic, demographic, and professional diversity of career educators and practitioners throughout Pennsylvania:

PACDA's dynamic leadership team includes: Kim Neubauer, President, Pamela Harris, Treasurer, Rachel Minard, President-Elect, Diandra Prescod, Secretary, Linda Hollenback, Communications/Social Media, and Beth Ann Wilson, Officer at Large. These officers are "ushering in a new era of career services professional development in the Keystone State." NCDA is excited to support the creation of the PACDA. For more information, visit their website at [www.thepacda.org](http://www.thepacda.org).

The National Career Development Association (NCDA) provides professional development, publications, standards, and advocacy to practitioners and educators who inspire and empower individuals to achieve their career and life goals. The history of the NCDA began over 100 years ago with the founding of the National Vocational Guidance Association (NVGA) in 1913. In 1985, NVGA was renamed and became the National Career Development Association (NCDA) and has the distinction of being the longest running and preeminent career development association in the world.

NCDA is the recognized leader in developing standards for the career development profession, for the provision of career counseling programs and services, and for the evaluation of career information materials. NCDA works with licensing and credentialing entities to support the preparation and recognition of career counselors and career development facilitators. NCDA also sets ethical standards for the career development profession including guidelines for the provision of career services on the Internet.

NCDA provides a voice for thousands of members who deliver career services to diverse groups in a broad variety of settings and to their clients. NCDA maintains a comprehensive website of information, resources and tools for career development professionals and the public at [www.ncda.org](http://www.ncda.org).

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