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SAMHSA's Service Members, Veterans, and their Families Technical Assistance Center

Topics in the News

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

September 26, 2015

From 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. local time, come to one of the almost 5,000 collection sites around the nation to return all unwanted, unneeded, or expired prescription drugs for safe and anonymous disposal. This is the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's 10th National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day in the past 5 years.

[Learn more...](#)

Approaching Treatment with Military Sexual Trauma: Advanced Clinical Understanding

September 30, 2015; Chicago, Illinois

Working with a survivor of sexual trauma often requires a specific set of therapeutic skills. This training has been created to meet the in-depth clinical needs of community behavioral health providers who serve this population.

[Learn more and register...](#)

Honoring Women Veterans on Historic Flight

Several times each week, Honor Flights bring veterans from across the country to Washington, D.C., to visit their memorials. For the first time, an all-women's Honor Flight has landed in the nation's capital, bringing 140 women veterans from Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana to visit.

[Read more...](#)

'The Power of 1': A Single Person Can Save a Life

As part of ongoing U.S. Department of Defense and Veterans Affairs (VA) efforts to continue to combat suicide, Pentagon officials recently emphasized the powerful role of individuals -- as well as peer support and other resources -- in suicide prevention.

[Read more...](#)

Promoting Emotional Health and Preventing Suicide: A Toolkit for Senior Centers

A companion to *Promoting Emotional Health and Preventing Suicide: A Toolkit for Senior Living Communities*, this resource is for senior center staff and volunteers to connect older adults to a range of critical services and programs. The toolkit offers a section on each of the three key strategies that senior centers can use to promote emotional well-being and prevent suicide among older adults.

[Learn more...](#)

Breaking the Cycle of Veteran Incarceration and Homelessness: Emerging Community Practices

Like other single individuals experiencing homelessness, there is a high prevalence of criminal justice system involvement among veterans experiencing homelessness. About one-half of all veterans experiencing homelessness who have participated in VA homeless assistance programs are involved in the justice system.

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VA Releases Two New Reports on Facility and Health Care Utilization

Report 1: [VA Facility Use by Recent Veterans with PTSD](#)

Report 2: [VA Health Care Utilization by Recent Veterans](#)

"The Rural Connection" Quarterly Newsletter: Summer 2015

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PTSD Research Quarterly: New Research in Treating Child and Adolescent Trauma

[Read the full newsletter...](#)

Marine Combat Veteran Says Yoga Saved His Life

When Nicholas Caris first tried yoga, he hated it. For his first yoga class he decided to go all in, 90-minute Birkram session in a room heated to 95 degrees. He left exhausted and in pain with intentions of trying it again. Now, he's a yoga instructor who teaches yoga to veterans at VA facilities and in his community.

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