Suicide Prevention Utilizing Big Data Solutions

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Context and Goals

Suicide continues to plague service members and veterans alike. The greatest threat of suicide exists during the transitional period between being a service member and becoming a veteran. The Department of Defense continues to call for high level solutions and program implementations that can address these issues.

I currently lack the skills needed to fully execute this type of program, but I would like to use this opportunity to start this during this homework assignment. I would like to apply for the grant RFA-MH-21-111 (Service-Ready Tools for Identification, Prevention, and Treatment of Individuals at Risk for Suicide) that has a closing date of June 2022 if this project is feasible and meets the needs of DoD.

This project aims to provide a small portion of a larger code which provides information for psychiatric and psychological practitioners within the Armed Forces and VA to allow transition of care for Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, and Marines that may or may not have preexisting conditions. The proposed specific condition of this code will be to enroll new users to the application, provide input of symptoms, link providers, provide emergent contact information, and file symptomology.

Technical Solution Classes

This code will consist of the following classes:

- DoD SM information
- VA Veteran Information
- Condition Information
- Client Symptom Input
- Provider View
- Emergent Exceptions
- Non-Emergent Dependencies
- Provider Recommendations
- Wellness Information
- Location Information

Acronym List

AD = Active Duty

AFR = Air Force Reserves

AFSC = Air Force Specialty Code (Air Force, Space Force)

AGR = Army Guard Reserve

ANG = Air National Guard

ARNG = Army National Guard

Branch = Army, Marine Corps, Air Force, Navy, Space Force, Coast Guard

CoC = Chain of Command

DIEMS = Date of Initial Entry to Military Service

DOB = Date of Birth

DoD = Department of Defense

DoDID = Department of Defense Identification Number

ETS = Expiration of Term of Service

MFR - Marine Forces Reserve

MOS = Military Occupational Specialty (Marines and Soldiers)

MST = Military Sexual Trauma

MVP = Million Veteran Program

NEC = Navy Enlisted Classifications (Navy, Coast Guard)

NOK = Next of Kin

OMPF = Official Military Personnel File

PTSD = Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

SCD = Service Connected Disability

SGLI = Servicemembers Group Life Insurance

SM = Service Member

SPN = Separation Program Number

USNR = United States Navy Reserve

VA = Veteran's Affairs

Flow Chart

