



**Departments of Veterans Affairs and Defense
Suicide Prevention Conference
27 - 29 January 2015
Hilton Anatole, Dallas, Texas**

Tuesday January 27th:

	Agenda Item	Speaker	Notes
0800 – 0815	Announcements / Welcome / Opening Remarks	Dr. Caitlin Thompson, VA Ms. Jackie Garrick, DoD (DSPO)	
0815 – 0845	VA Keynote	SES Dr. Harold Cutler	VA
0845 – 0915	DoD Keynote	RDML Joan Hunter	DoD
0915 – 1015	“The Numbers”	Dr. Rob Bossarte (VA), Mr. Chris Dorr (DoD)	
1015 – 1045	Break		
1045 – 1115	Power of One Story	Suicide Survivor Story - DoD	Mark Graham (Major General, U.S. Army, Retired) & Ms. Carol Graham
1115 - 1215	“Suicide and Sleep”	Dr. Wil Pigeon	
1215 - 1300	Lunch		
1300 – 1700	Long workshops with break	SEE WORKSHOP LIST	
1700 – 1730	Break		
1730 – 1930	Suicide Prevention and Risk Reduction Committee Meeting	Ms. Jackie Garrick, DoD (DSPO)	SPARRC Members

Wednesday January 28th:

0800-0815	Announcements	Dr. Jan Kemp	
0815 – 0845	Power of One Story –	Clinician Story (Aimee Johnson SPC) (VA)	
0845 – 0915	Power of One Story – Veterans / Military Crisis Line	Dr. Kim Mullen, PhD, VA	
0915 - 1015	Therapeutic Alliance	Dr. Craig Bryant	
1015 – 1030	Break		
1030-1200 Short Workshops (repeated in PM)		SEE WORKSHOP LIST	
1200– 1300	Lunch		
1300 – 1400	“Suicide Risk Assessment Re-visited”	Dr. Lanny Berman, MD	
1400 – 1430	Power of One Story	CW5 Crow, TACOM - DoD	
1430 -1500	National Update	Dr. Richard McKeon, PhD, SAMHSA	
1500 – 1530	Break		
1530 – 1700	Short Workshops	SEE WORKSHOP LIST	

Thursday January 29th:

0800 – 0830	Announcements, Closing Remarks Dr. Caitlin Thompson, VA Ms. Jackie Garrick, DoD (DSPO)	
0830 – 1230	VA Session	DoD Session and Service Breakouts DSPO (0830-0915) Ms. Garrick Service Breakout (0930-1230) Army – Ms. Lakso Air Force – LtCol Crimmins Navy – Mr. Holton NBG – MAJ Waliszewska
1230 – 1330	Lunch	
1330 – UTC	Travel	

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Long Workshops (Tuesday 1PM – 5PM) Tuesday, 27 Jan 2015

Title	Responsible agency	Notes
1. Research Showcase	VA – VISN 19 MIRECC	Participants: VA Center of Excellence Mental Illness Research Education Council, Center of Excellence (MIRECC) DCoE Research Consortium Army STARRS
2. Leveraging Peer Support Programs	DoD (DSPO)	Participants: Veterans Affairs Vets4Warriors U.S. Marine Corps
3. “Talking about Hard Things” – a workshop on messaging and outreach	VA – Center of Excellence	Participants: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration DCoE: Removing Barriers / Real Warriors Campaign Veterans Affairs
4. Enhancing Care through Outreach Services and Chaplaincy Integration	DoD (DSPO)	Participants: Panel One: Veterans Affairs Services Chaplains Panel Two: Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors Army: Survivor Outreach Services
5. Therapeutic Risk Management	VA – VISN 19 MIRECC	Participants: Veterans Affairs
6. Post Admission Cognitive Therapy for Service Members/ Veterans with Attempted Suicide	DoD (DSPO)	Participants: USUHS (Dr. Marjan Holloway)

Short Workshops Wednesday, 28 Jan 2015 1030 – 1200 and repeated from 1pm – 2:30

1. VA / DoD CPG tools (Include Safety Planning Update & DoD Means Reduction Guidance w/ Commanders Checklist)	VA	Participants: Joint VA / DoD committee VA DoD (DSPO)
2. Resilience Across the Department of Defense	DoD (DSPO)	Participants: Navy DoD DSPO MCFP Army Resilience Directorate
3. Chaplain support to Suicide Prevention Efforts (Includes Moral Pain) Preparing the Organization for Deployment and Return	DoD (DSPO)	Participants: Chaplains from all the Services
4. Ethical Decision Making – Suicide Prevention in the Military	DoD (DSPO)	Participants: U.S. Marine Corps
5. A: Using DBT techniques in SP B: Using CBT techniques in SP	VA	Participants Uniformed University of the Health Sciences VA
6. A. The Intersection of Domestic Abuse and Suicide B. Military Sexual Trauma and Suicide	DoD & VA	Participants: U.S. Marine Corps VA
7. Transition Periods and Suicide Risk	VA	Carl Castro, COL, U.S. Army, Retired
8. Safety Planning Update Use of Naloxone	VA	Dr. Brook Levindowsky, PhD Dr. Elizabeth Oliva