





SAVE THE DATE NOTIFICATION! 2015 VA/DoD Suicide Prevention Conference One Connection, One Conversation, One Small Act-It Matters

Date / Time: January 27-29, 2015

Location: Top Priority is Dallas, TX - Official guidance will be disseminated once the contract is agreed

upon and approved by VA

Modality: Face to Face Conference

Audience: The **primary target audience** for this conference is caregivers, clinicians (e.g., psychologists, social workers, physicians, nurses, counselors), researchers, suicide prevention and postvention specialists and military operational leaders. Service members, Veterans, and their families with interest and involvement in suicide prevention may also benefit.

VA TMS Registration:

https://www.tms.va.gov/learning/user/deeplink_redirect.jsp?linkId=ITEM_DETAILS&componentID=23343&componentTypeID=VA&revisionDate=1414517700000

Non-VA Registration: Please Contact Vicky Moss to receive a Non-VA Registration form at Vicky.Moss@va.gov

Purpose: The Military Services and the VA have found that a comprehensive public health approach to suicide prevention which includes line leader involvement, peer interaction and appropriate clinical care when needed, are vital in the Departments' efforts to prevent suicide. As a mandated collaboration of VA and DoD, this year's Suicide Prevention conference: 'The Power of One' emphasizes that one small act can make a difference in the life of a Service member, Veteran, or family member in crisis, and encourage them to seek confidential support via the Veterans Crisis Line/Military Crisis Line (VCL/MCL). The "1" theme also reinforces the joint campaign brand by stressing the "Press 1" feature of the VCL/MCL, connecting individuals directly with responders who are trained to render support. The call to action for this conference will encourage individuals and organizations in Veterans', Service members', and family members' lives to reach out and take that first step toward helping them to seek support.

Accreditations: ACCME, ACCME-NP, APA, ANCC, ASWB, NBCC, CA-BBS

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