

“No Wrong Door” CONFERENCE

Enhancing Professional Awareness of Veteran's Invisible Wounds

February 3, 2015

College Park Auditorium

3180 US Hwy 34 Grand Island

Purpose: To recognize and improve awareness of those working with persons suffering from the invisible wounds of war

7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

- **8 Contact Hours** for attendance of all-day event
- **Registration Deadline:**
January 27, 2015
- **Registration Cost: \$50** covers conference and lunch

Who Should Attend?

Nurses, social workers, occupational therapists, mental health practitioners, speech language pathologists, educators, vocational rehabilitation counselors, pastors, employers, case managers and community members

Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Midwest Multistate Division, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

MW MSD Provider Approval #: NE14-17H38-353

8 contact hours will be awarded for those attending the conference on February 3, 2015. All day attendance is required to receive contact hours.

On-line Registration:

<http://bit.ly/NoWrongDoor>

www.biane.org/events (No Wrong Door)

Registration Questions? Contact Cindy:
402-304-8103 / cindy@biane.org

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****Representatives from various military resources available for veterans will be present during the day****

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7:30 • 8:00 am Coffee/rolls/check-in

8:00 • 8:30 am Welcome/Overview/Vet Profile
Roger Lempke

8:30 • 9:30 am PTSD & TBI: The Perfect Storm-Part 1
Lori Terryberry-Spohr, Ph.D., ABPP

Lori Terryberry-Spohr is the Brain Injury Program Manager and a clinical Neuropsychologist at Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital. She also conducts research and works clinically in the area of traumatic brain injury across levels of severity.

Objectives:

- State the mechanisms of TBI in a combat environment including blast related exposures and injuries.
- Recognize the similarities and distinctions between the symptoms of TBI and PTSD.

9:30 • 10:30 am PTSD & TBI: The Perfect Storm-Part 2
Paul Greenwell, MS, LIMHP

Paul Greenwell is a Clinical Supervisor and Program Supervisor for Lutheran Family Services' At Ease Program. At Ease provides trauma treatment and therapeutic support services to active military members, veterans, and their loved ones.

Objective:

- Describe two evidence-based treatment techniques for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

10:30 • 11:30 am Opening the Door to the VA
Lori Wardlow, LMSW

Lori Wardlow is an OEF/OIF/OND Program Manager at the VA Nebraska Western Iowa Healthcare System, Lincoln Campus. Currently she oversees the returning combat and transitioning military programs at VA NWI. She has 17 years' experience as a licensed Social Worker in the fields of health and mental health.

Objective:

- Define the issues men and women in the military face transitioning back to civilian life.

11:30 • 11:45 am BREAK

11:45 am • 12:45 pm Suicide Watch CH Scott Ehler,
BS, WED, MACE, MDIV

Chaplain (Major) Scott R. Ehler, serves as the State Support Chaplain for the Nebraska Military Department in Lincoln. He is certified in Critical Incident Skills Management and Traumatic Event Management and certified as a trainer in Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training.

Objective:

- Integrate strategies of suicide prevention which specifically address the unique culture and needs of military members in crisis.

12:45 • 1:15 pm LUNCH

1:15 • 12:15 pm PTSD From Military Sexual Trauma (MST)
Sharon Robino-West, MA

Sharon Robino-West serves as Peer Support Specialist and advocate for women veterans at the Women's Center for Advancement in Omaha. She assists with adjustment to civilian life and with issues involving domestic violence and military sexual assault trauma (MST). She is a veteran of the United States Marine Corps and is a survivor of domestic violence and MST.

Objective:

- Manage PTSD associated with Military Sexual Trauma.

2:15 • 3:15 pm The Path to Overcoming Addictive Behaviors
David C. Breece, AAS PAC

As an Outreach After-Care Therapist for the VA Substance Abuse Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program in Grand Island, he works with veterans who are leaving alcohol and drug abuse treatment. David likes seeing them recover and change/save their lives.

Objective:

- Recognize the connection between mental health issues and addictions.

3:15 • 3:30 BREAK

3:30 • 4:30 pm Veterans Voices: Coming Home

Moderator: Travis Karr, MS

Define the issues men and women in the military face transitioning back to civilian life

Objective:

- Recognize effects of trauma from war as experienced by soldiers and their families

4:40 • 5:30 pm Resources for Veterans and Families Bonnie Bessler, BS

Bonnie Bessler is the Transition Assistance Advisor (TAA) for Nebraska. As such, she works closely with wounded warriors and their families. She ensures they are connected to services and benefits. Bonnie served in the Nebraska National Guard for 26 years & deployed in support of Operation Desert Storm/Desert Shield.

Objective:

- Discuss resources available for our military service members, veterans and their families.