



2014

PA CARES Training Summit

DATE: May 20, 2014

**Fort Indiantown Gap
Building 4-134
1 Fort Indiantown Gap
Annville, PA 17003-5099**

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REINTEGRATION: MISSION HOME FRONT
RECOGNIZING AND RESPONDING TO NEEDS OF SERVICE MEMBERS,
VETERANS & THEIR FAMILIES

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Location: Fort Indiantown Gap, Bldg 4-134, 1 Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, PA

Target Audience: (Limited to 100 Registrants)

This program is being offered to expand the knowledge base and skills of behavioral health providers that deliver services to military service members, veterans, and their families. The targeted audience includes, but is not limited to: *community mental health and substance abuse agencies, social workers, professional counselors, nurses, psychiatrists, psychologists, clergy/pastoral or spiritual practitioners and the staff of PA Veteran Centers.*

Program Description and Objectives

This one-day training event will focus on recognizing and responding to the myriad of behavioral health needs and readjustment challenges experienced by Pennsylvania's military service members, veterans, and their families, during reintegration. Topics related to reintegration of returning service members include: Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and Life Patterns, PA veteran services and programs, substance abuse affecting the veteran, veteran employment programs, and accessing VA services for homeless veterans. In addition, a special luncheon presentation will review interesting aspects of military culture.

Objectives: *As a result of this training, the participants will be able to:*

1. Describe the impact of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder PTSD on life patterns of the returning veteran and its effect on relationships, family, and communities.
2. List the different categories of injuries sustained by veterans in combat, the drugs and substances used for treatment, as well as the resulting self-medicating behavior associated with these substances.
3. Distinguish the dynamics that affect reintegration from military life and create culture shock.
4. Discuss veteran programs offered by the Veterans Administration, PA Dept of Military and Veterans Affairs, as well as other state and local agencies, and the advocacy efforts to break common barriers to services.
5. Review and discuss the challenges of providing access to services for veterans who are homeless through housing programs.
6. Identify local, state, and national programs developed to assist unemployed veterans with resume writing, job interviews, procuring and maintaining employment.

This event was planned in collaboration with the **PA CARES Military Task Force** (Pennsylvania Americans showing Compassion, Assistance and Reaching out with Empathy for Service members). PA CARES is a partnership of active duty military, veteran, and civilian groups, whose mission is to identify services for veterans and their families, connect them to those services, and assist with the successful integration back to their families and communities.

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TRAINING AGENDA

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8:00 – 8:30 AM **Registration**

PRESENTERS/TITLE

8:30 – 8:45 AM	Introduction/Welcoming Remarks	Donna Hess , BA DPW, OMHSAS MH Service Area Representative
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Morning Keynote Speakers

Keynote 1 AM	<p>Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and Life Patterns: This presentation provides an overview of PTSD and how it impacts on life patterns for returning veterans and their families.</p>	<p>Additional information to follow Ret. Army Col. Barry Ginnetti Maria Ginnetti,</p>
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AM

BREAK

Keynote 2 AM	<p>Substance Use and Co-morbidities among Veterans: This presentation will cover substance use and abuse and co-morbidities among veterans returning from combat deployments. Content covers the different categories of injuries sustained by veterans, the substances used and self-medicating methodology for using them. Subject matter will also cover prominent diagnosis of veterans returning from combat zones, as well as VA and Vet Center services.</p>	<p>Thomas W. Murray, LCSW, Consultant Harrisburg Vet Center (Counselor Retired) Rick Brittain, LSW, MSW, Readjustment Counselor, Harrisburg Vet Center</p>
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12:00 – 1:00 PM

LUNCH

12:30 – 1:00 PM	<p>Food For Thought; Breathing and Living Military Culture Using group activity, participants will recognize that veterans and their families experience culture shock when returning from active military life and during reintegration into the community.</p>	Michael Volz, Outreach Specialist, Harrisburg Vet Center, Harrisburg
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TRAINING AGENDA (Continued)

Afternoon Sessions

Session 1 PM	<p>PA Veterans Services and Programs: The speaker will discuss various programs offered by the Dept of Military and Veterans Affairs and other state and local agencies, federal benefits, eligibility requirements on a general level. Advocacy and common barriers to services will also be addressed.</p>	<p>Brian Natali, Chief, Division of Veterans Services and Programs, PA Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, Office of Veterans Affairs, Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville</p>
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Session 2 PM	<p>Accessing VA Services for Homeless Veterans: Eligible homeless veterans challenge VA program staff to identify, locate, and access appropriate housing and treatment services. This presentation will focus on homelessness among veterans and the various programs and medical benefits available for them in PA, including Residential Rehabilitation and Recovery, provided through the VA Domiciliary Program. Objectives: 1) Relate the extent to which homelessness is experienced by veterans. 2) Discuss challenges encountered by VA program staff while meeting the service needs of homeless veterans, 3) List the resources available to veterans, including housing, medical benefits, and treatment services.</p>	<p>Additional information to follow</p> <p>Kay Holtzinger, Lebanon VA</p> <p>Kathryn Arnett, LCSW, CAC, MSW, Domiciliary Chief Lebanon VA Military Veteran</p>
Session 3 PM	<p>Employment: This presentation will focus on veteran employment issues and programs.</p>	<p>Additional information to follow LT Gregory Kuleba</p>
Session 4 PM	<p>Military Panel; Interactive Discussion with Audience The panel of military presenters will respond to questions and pertinent issues from the audience.</p>	<p>Panel</p>

4:00 PM **Summary, Wrap-up, and Closure with Evaluation Information**

Adjournment

THERE IS NO COST FOR THIS PROGRAM.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

General credits will be awarded for attendance and course completion.

Nursing Contact Hours: This training has been submitted for approval of continuing education for registered nurses in Pennsylvania under Act 58 of 2006 and 49 PA Code, Chapter 21 § 21.134, by the Pennsylvania Department of Health. Upon approval, credits will be awarded for completion of this course.

Social Workers/Counselors CEUs: This training has been submitted for approval of "NASW-PA Chapter as a co-sponsor of this workshop. Upon approval, CEs will be awarded for completion of this course. NASW has been designated as a pre-approved provider of professional continuing education for social workers (Section 47.36), Marriage and Family Therapist (Section 48.36) and Professional Counselors (Section 49.36) by the PA State Board of Social Workers, Marriage & Family Therapists and Professional Counselors."

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

A block of rooms have been reserved at the Holiday Inn Grantville* at the room rate of \$83.00 +Tax. To receive the rate, please **register by May 1, 2014, using Code Name PA CARES Training Summit**. These rooms will be released on May 1.

Call the hotel of your choice directly to make your own reservations.

Hotel:	Address	Telephone	Rates
*Holiday Inn	604 Station Road, Grantville	717-469-0661	\$83.00+Tax
Comfort Suites	450 Station Road, Grantville	717-469-8181	\$119.88 w Tax
Days Inn	252 Bow Creek Road, Grantville	717-469-0631	\$79.91 w Tax
MainStay Suites	105 Kelley Court, Grantville	717-469-1051	\$102.59 w Tax

SPECIAL NEEDS: Participation by all individuals is encouraged. Advance notice of any special needs (dietary/wheelchair accessibility/hearing accommodation, etc.) will help us provide better service. Please notify us *at least two weeks* in advance of the program by calling 717-772-7788. (Not for registration)

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REGISTRATION: INSTRUCTIONS for ON-LINE REGISTRATION
Learning Management System (LMS)

DATE: MAY 20, 2014 TIME: 8:30AM – 4:00PM (REGISTRATION 8:00AM)
LOCATION: FORT INDIANTOWN GAP, BUILDING 4-134, ANNVILLE, PA

PLEASE NOTE: PRE-REGISTRATION FOR THIS PROGRAM IS REQUIRED.

REGISTRATIONS ARE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 100 APPLICANTS.

NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY PHONE.

NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MAY 13, 2014.

PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY TO REGISTER. IF YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY REGISTERING USING THE ON-LINE REGISTRATION, PLEASE CALL 717-772-7788 FOR ASSISTANCE.

A. Learning Management System Registration: How to register with the LMS:

1. Open the web page: https://www.centrelearn.com/login_pa.asp. You can also enter www.paprepared.net and it will redirect you.
 2. Click CREATE AN ACCOUNT on the right side of the screen
 3. If you are a Pennsylvania EMS Provider click yes and follow prompts on screen.
This guide however is for everyone else.
 4. If you are NOT a Pennsylvania EMS Provider, choose the 'No' option. The screen should expand downwards with many different professions. Please choose whatever is appropriate.
 5. If you do not see any that would describe you, please choose 'Public Health'
 6. Click Next->
 7. Fill in your general information. Before proceeding, please read through it once looking for any spelling mistakes or other errors.
 8. Click on the grey REGISTER button at the bottom of the screen.
 9. Once you click on the 'REGISTER' button you will see a message that says:
"Thank you! Your request to register for the PA Prepared Learning Management System (LMS) has been submitted. Your username and initial password will be emailed within 1 to 3 business days. If you have any questions, please contact the Bureau of Public Health Preparedness (717) 346-0640 or LMS@state.pa.us"
 10. Once you receive your username and initial password via email, please follow the link provided or load https://www.centrelearn.com/login_pa.asp to log in. You will need to change your password under the 'Profile' tab. Directions how to do so should be included in your confirmation email. Please be careful that your personal password is easy for you to remember, but hard for other people to guess.
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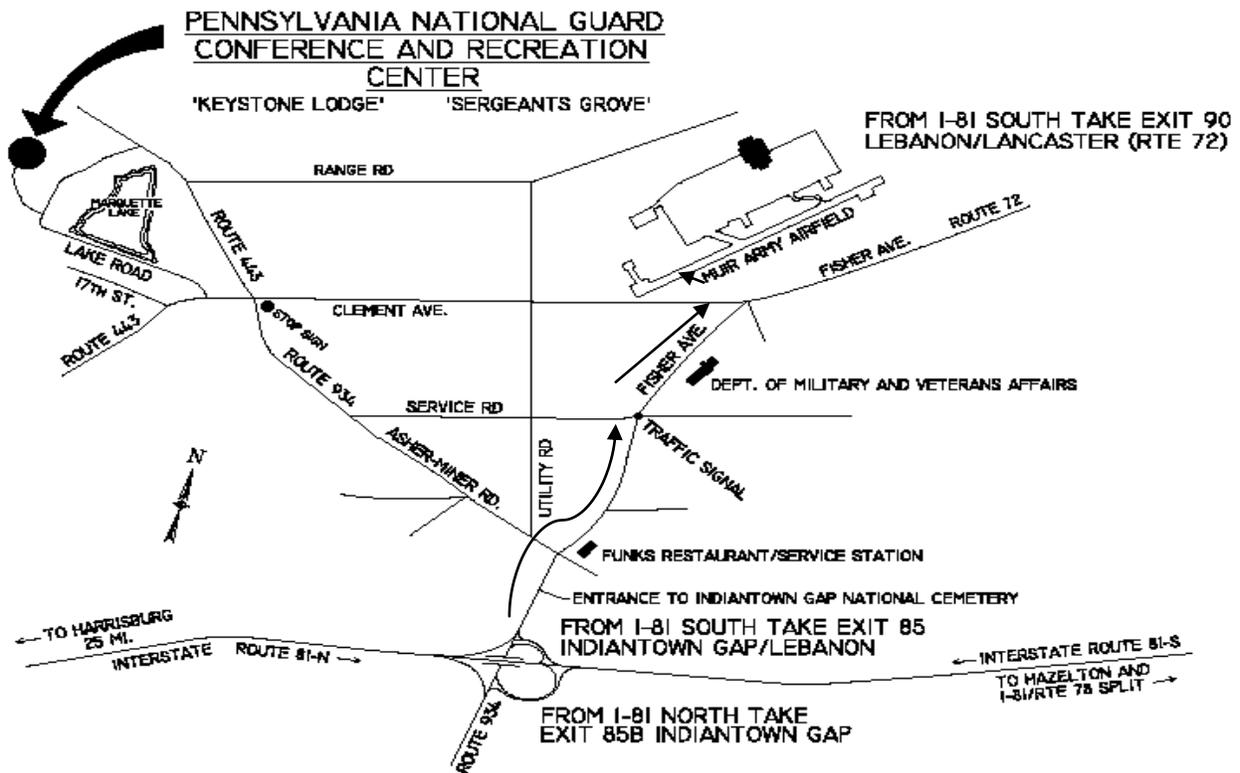
B. Course Registration: How to register for a course once you have an LMS account:

1. Login to www.paprepared.net (you will be redirected, so don't worry if it starts loading a different page)
2. Go to the 'HOME' tab and in the navigation panel on the left, click on the 'Course Catalogue.'
3. It should take you to a page that says 'Search Course Catalogue'. Please enter 'PA CARES' into the search field. Hit the 'SEARCH' button.
4. It should pull up a course called '2014 PA CARES Training Summit'
5. This is the course you want to enroll in. Please verify that this course is the correct one for you. Double check the location and the date before moving on to step #6.
6. Click on the grey 'ENROLL' button to the left of the course name.
7. This will take you to a more detailed course page. Scroll to down and click on the grey 'REQUEST PERMISSION' button on the bottom left hand side of the page.
8. **You will receive a confirmation email.**
9. Whenever you load your LMS homepage, your courses will be listed under 'MY CURRENT COURSES' which is visible on the welcome page or accessible by clicking on the 'MY COURSES' link on the navigation pane on the left.
10. If you select the course from either 'MY CURRENT COURSES' or 'MY COURSES' you will be able to see the survey/evaluation that you will need to complete to receive a certificate for this course.

IMPORTANT: If you are unable to attend after you register, *please cancel* your registration by following these steps to remove your name:

- Login to www.paprepared.net and select 'My Courses' from left side navigation pane.
- Select the course on the right from which you want to withdraw.
- In left navigation pane, select the course directly below 'Courses'. Select the 'Request Withdraw' tab.
- Click on grey 'Remove' button and Click OK in the prompt box that pops up. You are now withdrawn from the course.

DIRECTIONS:



From I-81N / HARRISBURG

- Take Exit 85B – FORT INDIANTOWN GAP
- BEAR RIGHT off Exit (will be on Rt. 934; pass FTIG National Cemetery and Funks on Right)
- Proceed onto Fisher Ave.
- Go approximately 4 miles (Nat.Guard Recruiter bldg. on left)
- Take a RIGHT onto COULTER Rd. and go approximately a ½ mile.
- Make a LEFT onto COLONEL DR. (huge satellite dishes are to the right on hill),
- Proceed to park BEHIND building 4-134 – you will see handicap assessable ramp in parking lot

From Lancaster

- LANCASTER / RT 72 north
- BEAR LEFT onto RT 322 west toward Hershey
- TURN RIGHT onto RT 934 north to FT Indiantown Gap
- Proceed onto Fisher Ave.
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DIRECTIONS to Fort Indiantown Gap: please visit FIG Website: or www.mapquest.com or www.google.com