

VSPE Final Meeting: Lessons Learned & Moving Forward			
Meeting Date & Time	Meeting Purpose		
June 17, 2021 12:00 - 2 p.m.	This VSPE final meeting is an opportunity for VSPE grantees, CDC, and CDC Foundation staff to engage with one another, exchange ideas, discuss successes and lessons learned from the VSPE project. Grantees will have the opportunity to share their experience over the past year and how they will continue to improve their programming through the evaluation skills learned from the VSPE project.		
Audience	Learning Objectives		
Veteran Serving Organizations CDC Foundation Centers for Disease Control	 Learn how VSPE grantees are working to build connectedness and community integration within veteran communities Understand the future direction of veteran suicide prevention efforts Identify opportunities to implement best practices and lessons learned in supporting program improvement and partnership 		

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VSPE Final Meeting Welcome ■ 12:00 – 12:05 The welcome will include Centers for Disease Control (CDC) leadership welcome veteran serving organization (VSO) grant recipients and their partners to the meeting.	Kinzie Lee, MPH, Strategic Partnerships Lead, Office of Policy and Partnerships, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control	Veteran-serving Organization Partner/ Stakeholder (Optional) CDC/ CDC Foundation Leadership			
Suicide Prevention and Town Hall Introduction • 12:05-12:15 During this introduction CDC leadership will present a short introduction to their suicide prevention plan and set the agenda for the day including an introduction to the town hall discussion with CDC and CDCF leadership.	Deborah Stone ScD, MSW, MPH, Suicide Prevention Team Lead, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control	Veteran-serving Organization Partner/ Stakeholder (Optional) CDC/ CDC Foundation Leadership			
Missives from the Field: Perspectives from VSO Leadership • 12:15 – 12:55 This moderated discussion will focus on barriers and challenges VSOs face in the field as well as discuss opportunities for collaboration amongst organizations.	Moderator: Peter Edwards MPA, MPH, Deputy Director, Centers for Disease Control CDC Leadership: Deborah Stone ScD, MSW, MPH, Suicide Prevention Team Lead Ann Dellinger PhD, Applied Science Branch Chief Alex Charleston MPH, Applied Science Branch Deputy Neil Rainford MHS, Deputy Branch Chief, Program Implementation & Evaluation Branch Brandon Nesbit MPH, Evaluation Team Lead Sally Thigpen MPA, Evaluation Officer Mick Ballesteros PhD, MS, Associate Director for Science, Division of Injury Prevention Karin Mack, PhD, Associate Director, Division of Injury Prevention Judy Qualters, PhD, Director, Division of Injury Prevention and Control	Veteran-serving Organization Partner/ Stakeholder (Optional) CDC/ CDC Foundation Leadership			
	 CDCF Leadership: Brandon Talley MPH, Vice President for Non-Infectious Disease and Implementation Science Corrine Graffunder DrPH, MPH, Associate Vice President for Domestic Non-Infectious Disease Programs Rob Abraham, Associate Vice President for Advancement 				



BREAK 12:55 – 1:00					
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Guest Speaker: The Importance of Collaboration and Partnerships • 1:00 – 1:05 In this session, South Carolina Secretary of Veterans' Affairs, Major General William Grimsley (Ret) will share firsthand example of importance of collaboration between state or federal entities and community-based organizations along with the impact of the VSPE project.	Secretary William Grimsley, MG (Ret), South Carolina Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran-serving Organization Partner/ Stakeholder CDC/ CDC Foundation Leadership			
 Zone of Action: Learning from our VSOs Firsthand Round 1 1:00- 1:15 Round 2 1:15 - 1:30 Round 3 1:30 - 1:45 During this session each VSO will host a discussion on the topic of their choice highlighting their experience and expertise over the program year. This will serve as an opportunity for stakeholders to engage with current and potentially new VSO partners.	Room 1: Project Sanctuary Data Driven Excellence - Learning curves to sophisticated outcomes to better tell our story and improve programming. This session will highlight Project Sanctuary's use of CRM technology increases our ability to capture participant data improving programs, ensures quality outcomes for military and veteran families, and allows for robust reporting for partner support. Room 2: The Warrior Alliance Moving from Community Integration to Collective Impact This session will highlight the transition of working within a community integration framework focused on the Warrior Experience to building out a Collective Impact Model framework that focuses on the partner ecosystem and the five components of collective impact: Common Agenda, Shared Measures, Mutually reinforcing activities, Communication, Backbone Support. Room 3: Forces United A Holistic Approach to Veteran Services This session will highlight Forces United's one-on-one case management ensures that Veteran's needs are addressed across the organizational service areas of Education, Benefits, Housing, Employment and Health/Wellness realizing that each are uniquely important for combined personal success. Room 4: Vets' Community Connections Volunteerism: A Tool for Building Community Engagement & Understanding This session will focus on the how to engage a wider part of our community in support of military and veteran programming, volunteerism can serve an important role. Volunteering is a core part of our American culture, our citizens volunteer at rates higher than other countries. We will discuss how volunteering can benefit the community, while simultaneously bridge the civilian-service divide.	Veteran-serving Organization Partner/ Stakeholder CDC/ CDC Foundation Leadership			



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Zone of Action: Learning from our VSOs Firsthand Continued	Room 5: Objective Zero Foundation Lessons Learned & Looking Ahead This session will highlight key lessons and insights that the Objective Zero team discovered through this year's	Veteran-serving Organization Partner/ Stakeholder CDC/ CDC Foundation Leadership		
	VSPE Project, followed by a discussion on existing data sources VSO's can leverage to provide better support to veterans, service members, and their families.	Leadership		
	Room 6: Vantage Point Foundation Whole Health Approach for Suicide Prevention and Suicidal Indicators			
	This session will discuss the utilization of the Whole Health Profile Tool (WHPT) by veterans and clinicians to identify risk factors to reinforce protective factors against suicide.			
	Room 7: Nebraska Association of Local Health Directors How Public Health Data Maximizes Reach to Military Veteran and their Families			
	During this session, we will share our experiences in Nebraska which can be a framework for other states to understand and monitor the wellbeing of Service Members, Veterans, and their families. We will discuss relevant data, cross sector networks, and our experiences in message dissemination.			
Event Closing	Melissa Brown, DrPH, Behavioral Scientist, Suicide Prevention Team, Division of Injury Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	Veteran-serving Organization Partner/ Stakeholder		
The event closing will wrap with final thoughts and key takeaways from the day with CDC and CDCF program leadership.	Lola Oguntomilade MPH, Senior Program Officer, CDC Foundation	CDC/ CDC Foundation Leadership		
Mandatory Fun (but optional) • 2:00 – 2:30	 Room 1: Partnerships in Practice Room 2: Health Equity & Sustainability Room 3: Mixed Bag 	Veteran Serving Organization Partner/ Stakeholder		
The final session will provide participants and opportunity to network recapping the topics, highlighted VSOs, and themes for the day. Conversations of each breakout room are not restricted to the theme of the room.		CDC/ CDC Foundation Leadership		