



Health Promotion, Risk Reduction And Suicide Prevention

National Guard Breakout

MSG Marshall Bradshaw (And many others...)

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Suicide Prevention Statistics

Agenda

- ARNG Suicide Prevention Current Operation Picture
- ANG Suicide Prevention Program Overview
- Pilot Program Virtual Reality Exposure Therapy (Raydon)
- Nebraska Fellowship Groups, Peer-to-Peer
- Kentucky State Partnerships
- Indiana Crisis Action Teams
- Ohio Ohio Cares
- Michigan Buddy to Buddy
- California Embedded Behavior al Health









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Current Operating Picture

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Suicide Prevention Statistics

2002 - Present

- 95% Male / 86% White / 46% Married
- 35% After REFRAD / 53% Never Deployed / 12% in Theatre
- 95% Enlisted / 50% E1-E4 Grades/ 56% M-Day
- Highest average rate per 100,000 is 20-24 year and the 35-39 year Age Groups
- Stressors
 - Relationship Failure (70%)
 - Legal Problems(40%)

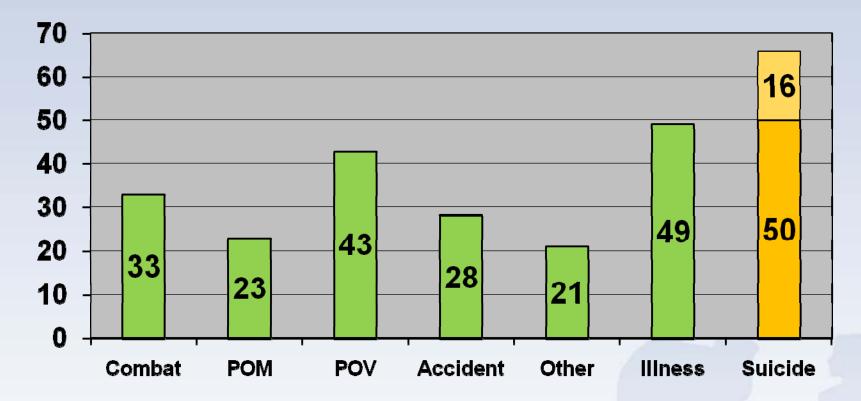
Job Problems (66%)

Financial Problems

- Differences between Active Army / ARNG:
 - Access to Care
 - REFRAD (Release from active duty)

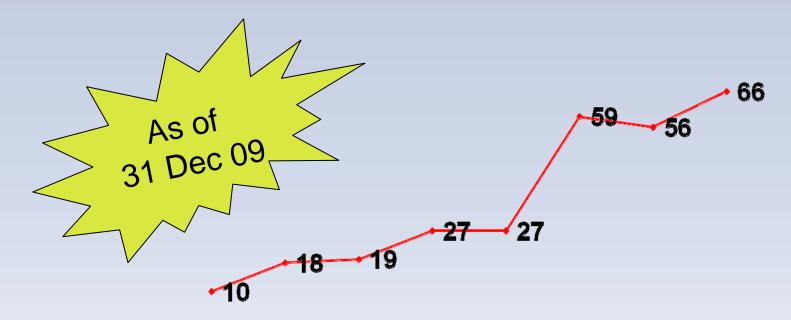


Army National Guard Fatalities 2008





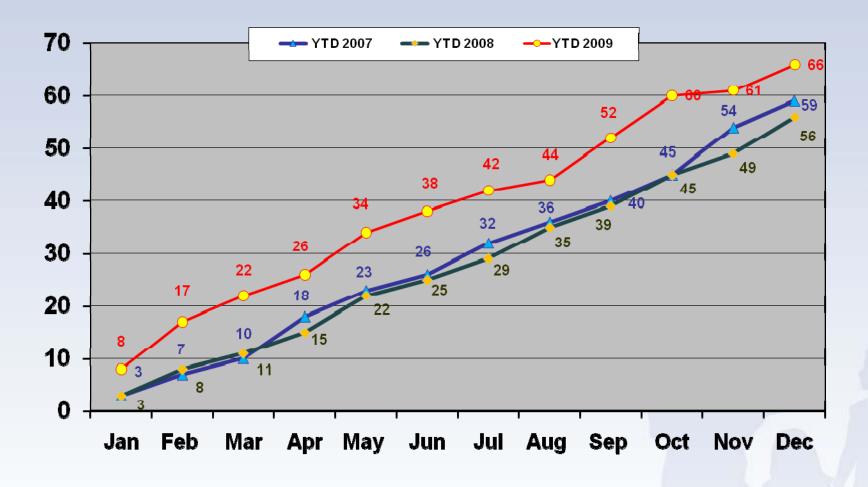
Suicide Prevention Statistics



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
M Day	1	6	10	10	22	40	40	50
Title 32	4	5	5	5	2	9	5	7
Title 10	5	7	4	12	3	10	11	9
- Total	10	18	19	27	27	59	56	66

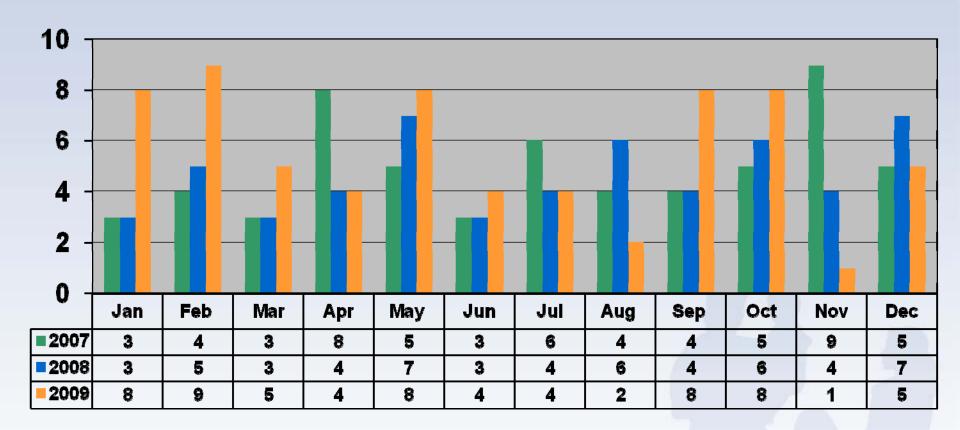


Suicides Year-to-Date: 2007 vs 2008 vs 2009



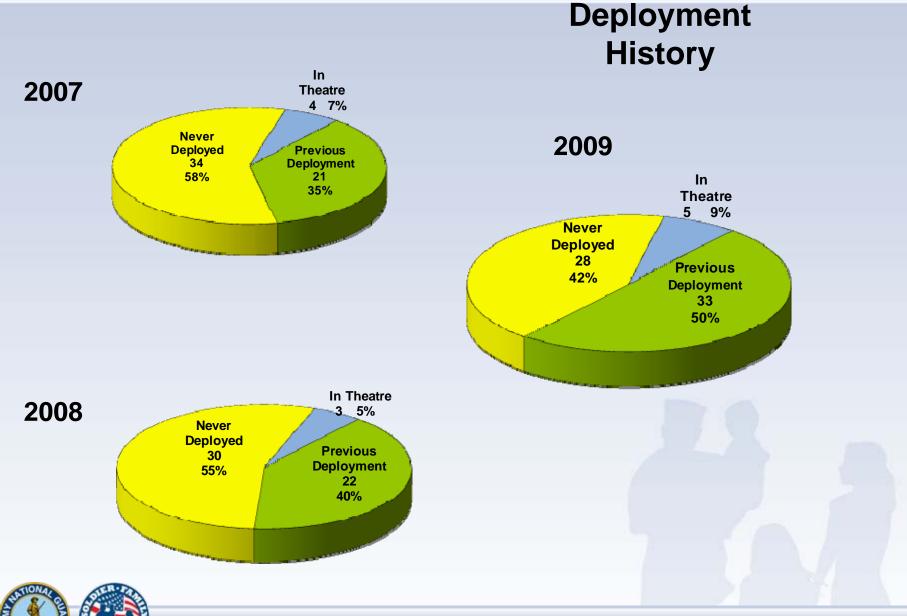
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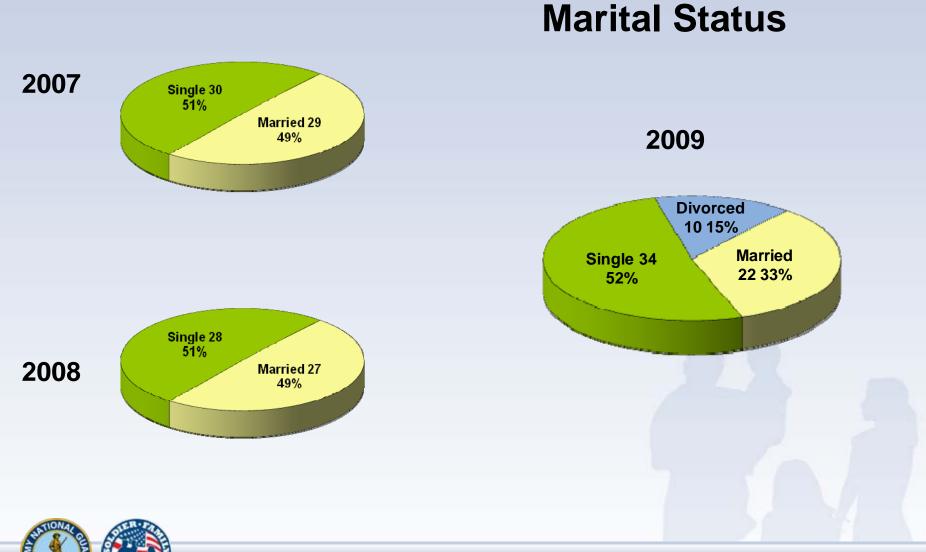








Suicide Prevention Statistics



Challenges?



Challenges

- STIGMA
- Rising number of Suicides
- Data tracking
 - Improved documenting of suicides since mid 2006
 - ✤ Lack of historical data
 - Lack of reliable system for gathering usable data (soft information historical personal data, forensic autopsy, etc.)
 - Lack of ability to track attempts effectively



Challenges

- Geographically dispersed population
- Competition for quality time during drill
- Limited mental health and chaplain resources
- Unfunded requirements (AR 15-6, ASIST)
- Communication
- Uniqueness / Diversity of States
- Collaboration with Active Component (Stand Down, AR 600-63)



Challenges

- Confusing policy surrounding services
- Multiple Deployments
- Lack of good handoff from Active Army
- Recruiting of high Risk Soldiers
- Economy





Change?



Change

- Health Promotion, Risk Reduction Model
- Redefine Prevention
- Resiliency
- Collaboration between programs (Sexual Assault, Suicide Prevention, Family Programs, Deployment Cycle Support)
- Collaboration between components, services and agencies (Army looking to Guard for answers)
- Re-structuring (SFSS, J9)
- Infusion of command attention and funding for new initiatives



Successes ?



Successes

- SPPMs, Task Forces and support personnel
- Integrated into Army initiatives (VCSA Task Force, CSF)
- Integrated into the AR 600-63 and DA Pam 600-24
- Soldier Family Support and Services Division
- Stand Down and Chain Teaching
- Blast Tracker
- Full Time manning for Suicide Prevention Program Managers
- Directors of Psychological Health



Successes

- Way ahead for tracking PDHA and PDHRA referrals (MND Module)
- Home Front interactive video starting production
- State initiatives leading the way pioneering spirit (The positive side of state autonomy)
- Future initiatives gaining momentum
- This workshop moving beyond the basics
- SPPMs, task forces and support personnel passion, optimism and drive



Way Ahead

- VCSA Task Force Multi-Component Solutions
- Collaboration Across Services, Components, National Agencies, States, Counties and Local Communities
- Studies: NIMH 5 year study, USACHPPM Analysis Cell, Data Collection efforts
- Standardized and Funded Policy
- Health Promotion / Risk Reduction Model (Prevention and Resiliency)
- Standardized / Certified Training
- State Based Solutions Unique, Developed, Distributed



Way Ahead

- Full-time, dedicated risk reduction structure at the state level
- Health Promotion, Risk Reduction collaborative training solutions
- Measure effectiveness to ensure quality programming and policy







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Questions?

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DoD Joint Suicide Prevention Conference Washington, DC

Air National Guard Chaplain Corps





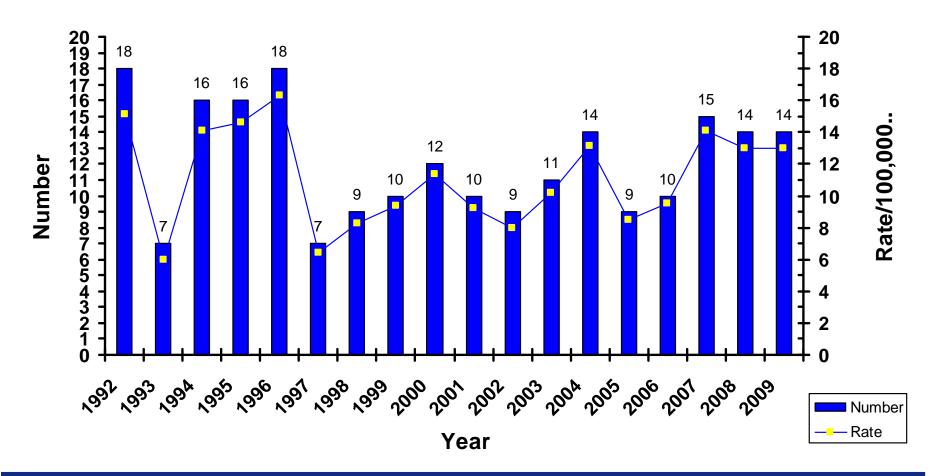
ANG CY <u>Number and Rate</u> of Suicides – 1992-2009

Year	# Suicides	ANG Population	Rate per 100,000	Source
1992	18	119,083	15.1	ANG/SPM
1993	7	117,162	6	ANG/SPM
1994	16	113,587	14.1	ANG/SPM
1995	16	109,826	14.6	ANG/SPM
1996	18	110,484	16.3	ANG/SPM
1997	7	110,025	6.4	ANG/SPM
1998	9	108,792	8.3	ANG/SPM
1999	10	106,476	9.4	ANG/HC
2000	12	104,877	11.4	ANG/HC
2001	10	108,487	9.2	ANG/HC
2002	9	112,075	8.0	NGB/AIM
2003	11	108,138	10.2	NGB/AIM
2004	14	107,030	13.1	NGB/AIM
2005	9	106,430	8.5	NGB/AIM
2006	10	105,660	9.5	NGB/AIM
2007	15	106,254	14.1	NGB/AIM
2008	14	107,679	13	NGB/AIM
2009	14	107,679	13	NGB/AIM

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ANG CY <u>Number and Rate</u> of Suicides – 1992-2009



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Suicide Prevention Resources

- Air Force Suicide Prevention Program
 - http://afspp.afms.mil
- Army Suicide Prevention Program
 - http://www.armyg1.army.mil/hr/suicide/
- Army Center for Health Promotion
 - <u>http://chppm-</u> www.apgea.army.mil/DHPW/READINESS/SUICIDE.A SPX
- Marine Corps Suicide Prevention
 - http://www.usmc-mccs.org/suicideprevent/



- Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training
 - http://www.livingworks.net/AS.php
- National Center for Suicide Prevention Training
 - http://training.sprc.org/
- Suicide Prevention Training (QPR)
 - http://www.qprinstitute.com/
- Suicide Prevention, Intervention & Postvention
 - http://www.icisf.org/training/classes/



Suicide AFI's on Prevention/Intervention/ERB

- AFI 90-501 (Suicide) Event Review Board
- AFI 44-153 Traumatic Stress Response
- AFI 44-154 Suicide and Violence Prevention Education and Training
- ANGI 52-154 Suicide Prevention and Violence Awareness Education and Training



- Suicide Prevention is a Commander's program
- SG has the over-all responsibility
- HC and SG have always been in a collaborativesupportive role
- ANG/Safety is also a partner
- Mandatory annual CBT training, tracked by unit training manager, annual report to ANG/SG
- Should be incorporated into a Unit Wingman Day Program



- ANGRC Integrated Product Team (IPT) will include HC, SG, and SE
- With senior leadership support, the IPT will develop a plan for recommendation to the field
- The plan will outline steps that will heighten community awareness of suicide and suicide risk factors, and create a safety net that provides protection and adds support for those in trouble.
- Wing/HC is strongly encouraged to establish an Integrated Delivery System (IDS) to adapt and implement plan.

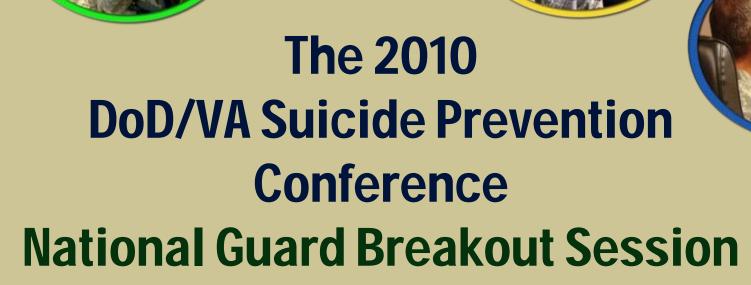


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Agenda

- Raydon
- Medical VR Infrastructure Concept
- Early Adopters
- National Guard Opportunity
- Issues/Challenges
- Q&A



WHO IS RAYDON



Who We Are & What We Do

•Formed in 1988 by three former GE Conduct of Fire Trainer (COFT) logistics engineers

•300+ employees

DRIVER TRAINING



232 Raydon Virtual Driver (RVD) Seats in Schools & Corporations



MILITARY

Largest Provider of Convoy Training Seats and Route Clearance Training Systems to the US Military



MEDICAL

Aggressively Investing in Fundamentally Changing How We Access and Treat TBI, PTSD, and Soldier Resiliency



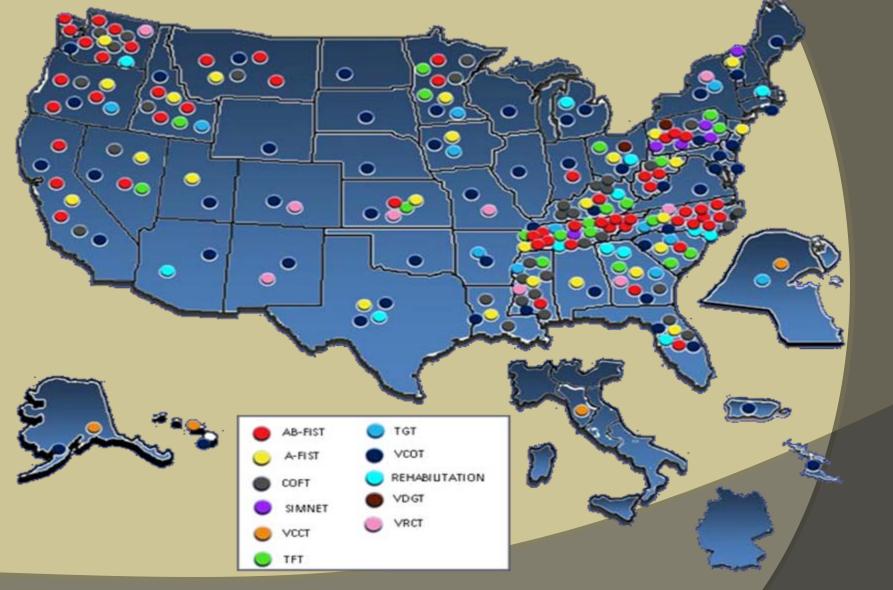


INTERNATIONAL

Engaging in International Allied Market Sales to Bring Simulation Solutions Worldwide



\$200M Investment - 2190 VR Training Seats





Raydon the ARNG Virtual Training Systems Integrator



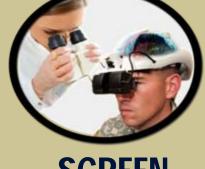


MEDICAL VR INFRASTRUCTURE CONCEPT

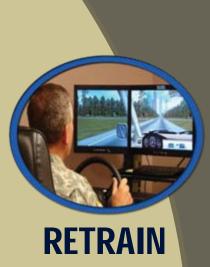


The Concept





SCREEN





INFRASTRUCTURE



TREAT



Methods Mild Traumatic Brain Injuries (mTBI)



RETRAIN

Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)



virtual R Platforms

- Desktop
- •Full Mission
- Mobile

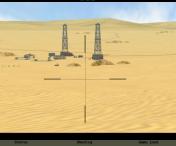
Assessment CenterCombat Seats











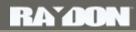
virtualRx Content

Military content:

- •Geo-specific/geo-typical terrains
- Night vision capabilities
- Canned scenario generation exercises
 Clinician tailored scenario generation exercises

Driver content:

- Novice driver curricula
 Driver improvement curricula
 Cognitive Assessment curricula
- •Selectable Conditions in each curricula









Army Now



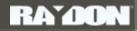
Army Now

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Producer: Thomas



VALIDATION THROUGH CONSUMPTION

Medical Facilities using vintual R

Military Treatment Facilities:

Two locations: Blanchfield and Winn Army Community Hospitals

Veteran Administration Medical Center:Seven locations including one Polytrauma Hospital

Private Hospital:One location: Euclid Hospital



PATH FORWARD

Five Year Strategy



<u>YEAR 1</u> <u>PILOT BASELINE &</u> <u>SCREEN</u>



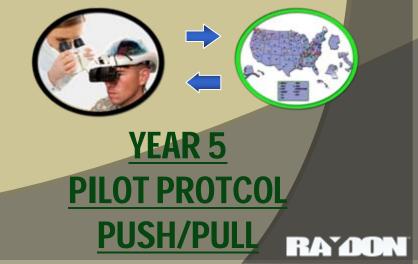
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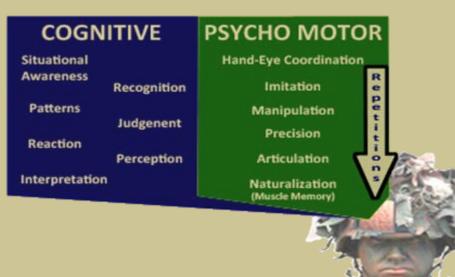
YEAR 3 PILOT TREATMENTS

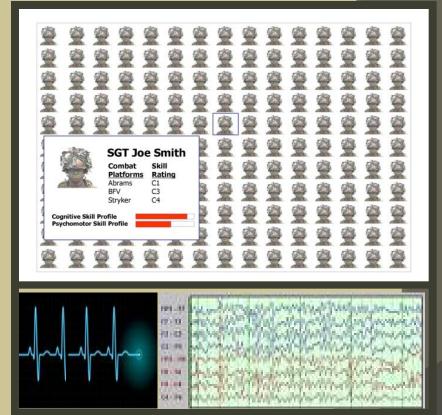


<u>YEAR 4</u> <u>UPGRADE INFRASTRUCTURE</u>



Cognitive and Psychomotor Performance Data is Analogous to Cognitive DNA

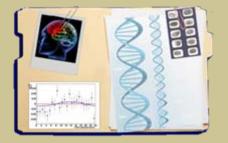




Unique to Each Warfighter and Easy to Collect



The Benefits







COGNITIVE DNA DATABANK

EMPLOY \$200M INVESTMENT

HIGH TECH PERFORMANCE RECORDS



BASELINE WHILE YOU TRAIN



CAPABILITY TO THE WARFIGHTER



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CONCLUSION

- Funding Who Pays?
- Data Collection Is Data Private?
- Stigma Will Warriors Seek to Game it?

Questions and Answers



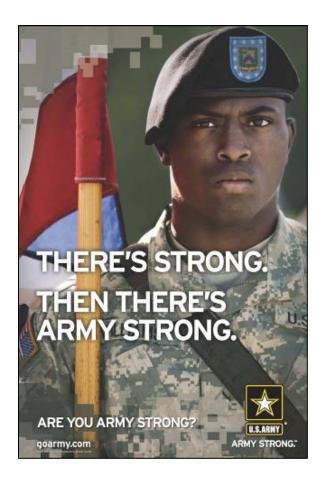




PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS NEBRASKA Chaplain (COL) Rod Armon



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HISTORY

- Initiative established during Katrina November 2005
- Model is taken from Crisis Intervention Stress Management (CISM) used by Police and Fire Rescue personnel
- Conducted first class of Peer Support Specialist August 2006
- Contracted with Dr. Jon Kayne to administer and instruct course.



WHAT A PSS IS NOT!

- A professional counselor
- Able to diagnose
- A spy for the unit leadership

COMPONENTS OF A PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST

- Genuine concern for fellow guard members
- Good listening skills
- Good communication skills
- Problem solving skills
- Willingness to share experiential knowledge and skills
- Have referral skills

COURSE CURRICULUM

- Initial training 16 hours
 - Introduction and Orientation to Peer Support
 - Introduction to Stress and It's History
 - Suicide Prevention
 - Introduction to Counseling Skills
 - Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Overview
 - Mechanisms of Action in Health and Disease
 - Stress Coping and Typical Problems
 - Special Assessments and Interventions
 - Resources used for referral

COURSE CURRICULUM

- Refresher Training (PSP2) 10 hours
 - Introduction and Updates
 - Communication
 - Scenario Role Playing
 - Round Table Discussion on Challenges and Insights

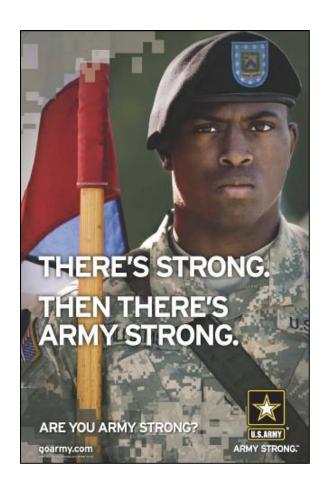


Information Briefing

Building Resilient And Stable Warriors and Families In The Nebraska National Guard (Battalion level and below with/without an assigned Chaplain)

2010

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PRE-DEPLOYMENT

Current Practice

Assigning UMT's in support of deploying units to support the Command structure by providing an available and ready Pastoral resource. Giving the CO and other leaders a personal & confidential "ear" & resource. UMT's will address relationship enhancement, communication, suicide prevention and available Chaplain resources with Warriors and their families. UMT's are responsible train as the Warriors train.

End Goal

In addition to the above, a UMT should be sent to the MOB site to train with the unit and to provide onsite pastoral care. Alleviates the Command Staffs preoccupation with potential problems. Serves as a point of contact with families back home. Provides Warriors and families with a known Pastoral resource. Coordinates with MOB site Chaplains for additional Pastoral care.

PRE-DEPLOYMENT

Current Practice

Push information out to families through the unit leadership.

End Goal

Chaplains attend "Town Hall" meetings as an official component of the Command Staff. These meetings are sponsored by the Unit Commander to educate families and ESG's offered in the area. In addition the Command gives detailed information regarding training deployment cycle training schedule.

DEPLOYMENT

Conduct ESG's. The philosophy of ESG's are to create a casual, non-threatening place to meet with other family members of deployed Warriors. TAG assigned Command representatives, Chaplains and Support Staff discuss the deployment, discuss concerns and network. It is a place to give and receive support.

Conduct support groups for youth under the guidance and supervision of the Nebraska National Guard Director of Mental Health.

2-3 months prior to return Chaplains conduct reunion training for families including suicide prevention.

Director of Psychological Health for the VA meets with families to educate them on the difference in "normal" combat stress and PTSD.

POST-DEPLOYMENT

Current Practice

- Educate Warriors and their families on best practices concerning communication and relationship enhancement as it pertains to reintegration after a long separation.
- Educate Warriors and their families on how to recognize behavioral warning signs and the resources to turn to.
- Combat Stress vs. PTSD

End Goal

•To continue the above practices in addition to setting up a program to ensure that every soldier has "eyes" on during the reintegration time.



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Suicide Prevention Efforts in Kentucky – **State Partnerships CPT Philip V. Majcher** 13 January 2010



Kentucky Overview

11th ranking cause of death

Completed Suicides

- •82% male
- •43% 30-49 years old
- •Firearm Leading method

•Attempted Suicides

- •58% females
- •51% 30-49 years old
- Poisoning Leading method

POINT:

Suicide is not just a KYNG issue, it a Kentucky issue.





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Kentucky State Partnership Overview

The National Guard is a sub-culture of it's state.





Kentucky State Partnership Overview

Kentucky Suicide Prevention Group

- •Goals
- •Targets
- •Means:
 - •Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR)





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Kentucky State Partnership Overview

KYSP Group wants QPR throughout the state+ KYNG is located throughout the state

NATURAL PARTNERSHIP throughout the state





Kentucky State Partnership Overview

End Product:

The KYNG is provide opportunities to FRGs to receive QPR training which will:

- 1) make their communities safer
- 2) provide safe National Guard homes which will increase READINESS.





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Kentucky State Partnership Overview

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Indiana Crisis Intervention Team

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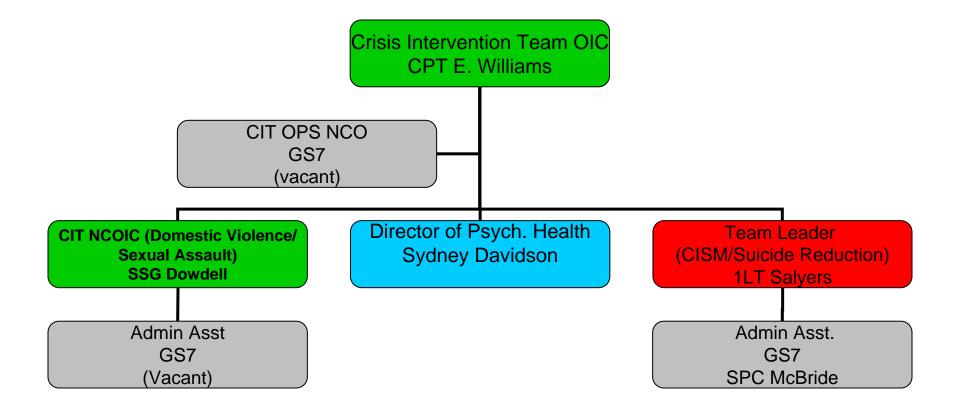
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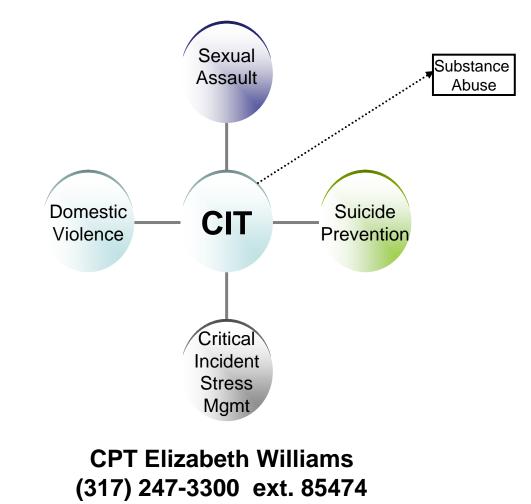
INDIANA CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM



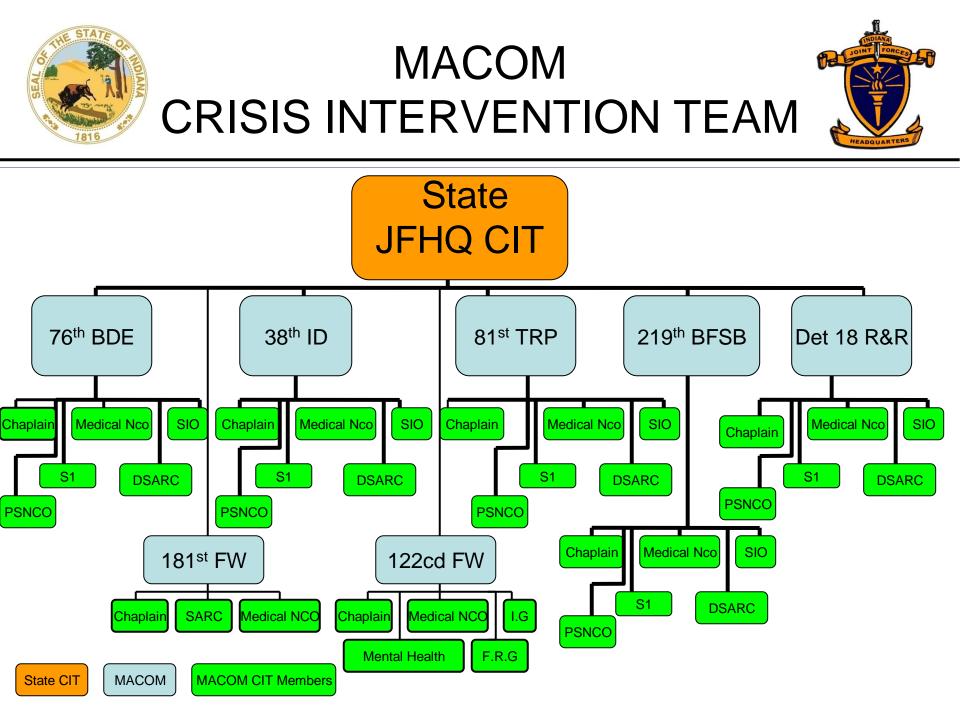








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- Circular
- Battle Drills
- Internal/external INNG Websites (24-hour numbers, resources, etc)
- 113 Interventions Calendar Year 2009



INDIANA CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM



Service Member Correspondence:

Hey Captain,

Awhile back yourself and Sgt. e. had talked to me when I was at a bad time in my life, and had helpd me take care of my situation. I wanted to let you know I havnt forgot about you two, and I greatly appreciate it. I now have a baby girl due in may of next year, I am greatlt looking forward to and with out the help from yourself and and Sgt e. that wouldn't be possible! So again I greatly appreciate you and sgt e. I feel that you guys went beyond wat you had to do for me. So I wanted to wish both yourself and sgt e. a very happy and safe holiday, and ill keep your familys in my prayers so as it will be a safe holiday, merry christmas and happy new year



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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of *OHIOCARES* is to enhance the "safety net" of behavioral health services available for service members and their families.

DESCRIPTION

OHIOCARES is a collaboration of state and local agencies supporting this effort. Although the VA is the primary source of services for veterans, this partnership also identifies community based resources such as county alcohol, drug and mental health boards, public agencies, and private providers for all service members and their families.

The Key Partners

- Ohio National Guard
 - OHIOCARES Chaplain CH (CPT) Nicholas Chou
 - Director of Psychological Health Dr. Jeremy Kaufman
- Governor's Office of Veterans' Affairs
- Ohio Department of Mental Health
- Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services
- Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities
- Brain Injury Association of Ohio
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- Case Western Reserve University
- County Agencies

"A Call to Action"

OBJECTIVES

Maintain and Grow the Network of Mental Health Providers available to service members and their families **Train and Educate Providers on mental** health issues related to the military **Coordinate Mental Health Services for** Service Members and their Families Promote Awareness about OHIOCARES and mental health issues related to the military

Maintain and Grow the Network of Providers

- The OHIOCARES Steering Committee meets every three months to provide direction for the organization
- The OHIOCARES Sub Committee meets every other month to network and carry out the work of meeting the four objectives

Maintain and Grow the Network of Providers

- SAMHSA Grant
- Database of OHIOCARES providers
- Governor's Office encourages providers to be TRICARE providers
- Congressional Advocacy
- Site Visits

Train and Educate Providers

- Educational topics: PTSD, TBI, readjustment stress, military culture, and state/local resources
 Training Seminars at conferences, hospitals, etc.
 Statewide Training Event: Ohio Department of Mental Health Annual Conference
- Online training links posted on the OHIOCARES website
- Kaptur Combat Health Initiative

Coordinate Mental Health Services

Non-emergency referral help line
Resource Guide Book
OHIOCARES Website

Promote Awareness

- Leadership Emphasis
- Suicide Prevention Training
- Yellow Ribbon
- Promotional Materials: magnets, postcards, posters
- PBS Series "This Community Cares"
- Facebook "Ohio Veterans Connect"

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STATE BEHAVIOR AL HEALTH SERVICE

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CNG Behavioral Health Service provides:

- Ongoing Referrals / Resources
- Educational Materials
- Behavioral Health training to include PTSD, TBI, and depression



- OIC Director State Behavioral Health Service
 Director / Social Worker (State Active Duty position approved by state legislature)
- 2 Licensed Clinical Officers (2 LMFT) Behavioral Health Outreach Liaison Program Northern / Southern (CSMR State Active Duty positions)
- Agency Coordination Officer (Healthcare Administrator) Behavioral Health Outreach Liaison Program (CSMR State Active Duty Position)
- CNG Behavioral Health Liaison (DPH Position)
 Behavioral Health Services Coordination and Intervention
- NCOIC of CNG Behavioral Health Services 68X AGR position(JFHQ TDA)



- Cal Guard Website

Regularly updated comprehensive resource/referral site for command, Guardsmen, and families (www.calguard.ca.gov/mh)

- The Grizzly

Quarterly article provided to monthly magazine with information on Behavioral Health awareness, program development and policy, and treatment resources.

- Crisis Intervention

Personnel available for emergencies, guidance, and referrals during business hours. 6 personnel available for 24/7 emergency contact.



CNG Embed Program



- TriWest Healthcare Alliance
 - 27 Licensed TriCare providers supporting 40 units
 - Pilot program extended through 2010
- CSMR Clinical Officers(LMFT, LCSW, PHD/PsyD)

 6 CSMR(State Defense Force) Behavioral Health Clinical officers embedded in 6 units during drill weekends and designated AT periods

- 9 additional officers awaiting assignment



Combat Stress Team

Provides pre-deployment assessments / evaluations at SRP working in conjunction with State Surgeons Office (G1).

Peer to Peer Program (J1)

Support program that lays the groundwork to provide trained peers (not medical or spiritual professionals) to assist and provide all California National Guard members with the opportunity to receive emotional and tangible peer support through times of crisis and to help anticipate and address potential challenges.

Behavioral Health Outreach Liaison Program (J1)

Program funded under California Mental Health Services Act Prop 63. Three State Active Duty positions approved by California Dept of Mental Health to provide liaison/coordination services for Soldiers to receive care in county mental health service agencies statewide.



Yellow Ribbon (G1)

The Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program (YRRP) provides education, information, services, referrals and proactive out-reach opportunities for all involved throughout the entire deployment cycle.

Suicide Prevention (G1)

Work in conjunction with the Suicide Prevention Program Manager

Sexual Assault (J1)

Support the activities of the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator

Substance Abuse (J1)

Coordinate services with Joint Substance Abuse Program (JSAP)



QUESTIONS??

