



Resources and References for the DCoE July 2014 Psychological Health Webinar

Hearing and Vision Impairment from Combat Trauma

Resources

The [Hearing Center of Excellence \(HCE\)](#) aims to reduce the tangible and intangible costs of hearing loss and auditory injury, enhance readiness and improve the quality of life of American military personnel and veterans. The HCE's [mission](#) focuses on improving outcomes in five key areas, including [prevention and surveillance](#); [clinical care, rehabilitation and restoration](#); [research](#); [information collection, sharing and re-use](#); and [outreach](#).

The [EARS²U](#) acronym provides hazardous noise prevention strategies.

The National Institutes of Health National Institute on Deafness and other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) website shares [hearing loss epidemiological information](#).

The [Vision Center of Excellence \(VCE\)](#) mission is to lead and advocate for programs and initiatives to improve vision health, optimize readiness, and enhance quality of life treatment for improved vision care and eyesight restorative innovations for Service members and Veterans.

The Veterans Affairs [Blind Rehabilitation Centers \(BRC\)](#) are residential inpatient programs that provide comprehensive adjustment to blindness training and offer a variety of skill courses designed to help blinded veterans achieve a realistic level of independence.

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