



Community Clergy Training to Support Veterans Mental Health Thursday June 21, 2018

Recognizing the Challenges of Reintegration and Building a Pathway to Care and Resources

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Training topics will include:

- To explore underlying conflicts between military and civilian cultures.
- To increase understanding of the potential needs of assistance among those returning from war.
- To increase understanding of the challenges of re-integration into family and community after war.
- To consider potential roles of clergy in providing assistance with Veteran care.
- To provide knowledge that can improve pastoral care skills to better serve Veterans, service members and their families.

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Check-in will begin at 8:00a. Seating is limited for this FREE event, so please register TODAY. For registration please call or email Minister Terrie Williams at (302)367-4070 / terrie.m.williams@gmail.com.



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Training topics will include:

- To review national trends in mental health care.
- To review resources for mental health care available in rural locations.
- To provide specific information on making referrals to VA mental health care and community mental health.
- To review the potential for congregations to be communities that support re-integration of Veterans back into their rural settings.
- To describe some successful community efforts in helping Veterans to integrate back into their communities.
- To provide knowledge that improves ability to identify ministry opportunities for Veterans in your community.

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