

Agenda for VA Police Training

0800- Registration

0830- Introductions and Welcoming (Josh Bode and Dr. Boyd)

Dr. Boyd is the Chief of Staff at the Boise VA Medical Center and will be presenting briefly. She will be welcoming presenters and discussing current veteran issues here at the Boise VA Medical Center.

0900- A Veteran's View and the Local Recovery Model (Bob Forrester and Susie Klepacki)

A Veterans perspective on veterans issues. Veteran will discuss his experiences with returning from combat and dealing with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Susie Klepacki, will tie this into the recovery model and discuss peer programs veterans could benefit from at the VA.

0930- Break

0940- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder- (Julie Sharrette)

This will be an informative session on PTSD. Julie Sharette will talk about signs and symptoms of PTSD and discuss some tools officers can use to work with and assist veteran who may be suffering from symptoms of PTSD.

1100- Lunch

1230- Traumatic Brain Injury- (Sue Hicks)

Sue Hicks will discuss signs and symptoms of Traumatic Brain Injury. She will share statistics on veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan and discuss some of the deficits one may be experiencing if they suffered a Traumatic Brain Injury. She will offer some tips on working with a veteran who has deficits from suffering a TBI.

1350- Substance Use Disorders (Tom Hogan)

Tom Hogan will be discussing his experience working with Veterans with Substance Use Disorders. He will discuss what the VA has to offer these veterans and offer tips on effectively managing a veteran with a Substance Use Disorder.

1510- Break

1520- Officers Perspective (Officer Drake)

VA Police Officer Gregory Drake will discuss his experience as a law enforcement officer working with veterans here at the Medical Center. He will discuss strategies that have worked for the Boise VA Medical Center Police in working with veteran suffering from Substance Use Disorders, Traumatic Brain Injury, PTSDI, and various other Mental Health Disorders.

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