

NCHV eNewsletter

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Save the Date! 2013 NCHV Annual Conference

May 29-31 in Washington, D.C.

Save the date for the 2013 NCHV Annual Conference, "Service Providers: Great Innovations." The Conference will be held **Wednesday, May 29, 2013 – Friday, May 31, 2013** in Washington, D.C.

The NCHV Annual Conference provides the nation's most comprehensive source of training on homeless veteran services, programs, best practices, and resources for service providers and their partners. This year, the Annual Conference will focus on the innovative, research-based practices from the service provider community that have had significant impacts on efforts to end homelessness among veterans by 2015.

The Conference will provide training opportunities and forums for engagement with partners from several Federal agencies, leaders in business and philanthropy, and experts from the service provider community. This year's Conference will feature an expanded selection of sessions over three days. Conference attendees will be able to choose from over 30 groundbreaking sessions from across five unique tracks:

- Housing Services and Philanthropy
- Federal Partners (leadership sessions)
- Target Populations
- Employment and Income
- Legal Services

The NCHV Annual Conference regularly sells out well ahead of time, so be sure to plan to register and make hotel reservations early. Registration includes a networking lunch on Wednesday and an awards banquet dinner on Thursday evening.

Stay tuned to the [NCHV Annual Conference webpage](#) for the most up-to-date information!

VA Website Dedicated to Women Veterans' Health

Features targeted publications and products

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) now has a website devoted strictly to women veterans. On the Women Veterans Health Care website, visitors can find tools and resources for and about

women veterans. Focus areas include statistics; tips on wellness and healthy living; recent news; and links to publications, products, VA's Health Awareness and Culture Change campaigns, and VA's Facebook and Twitter pages.

Also on the site is the recently developed Women Veterans Outreach Toolkit, which includes fact sheets on VA care and benefits, answers to frequently asked questions, brochures on VA services and health care awareness materials.

Visit the Women Veterans Health Care website by [clicking here](#).

Hiring Our Heroes Veteran Hiring Fairs

Events continue in 2013

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce launched Hiring Our Heroes in 2011 to help veterans and military spouses find employment. Since then, Hiring Our Heroes has hosted over 390 hiring fairs in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. The fairs have led to more than 14,100 jobs for attendees.

Hiring Our Heroes hiring fairs are focused on letting veterans and spouses interact with employers that have current openings and are ready to interview and hire on the spot. The Hiring Our Heroes hiring fair initiative will continue in 2013 across the United States.

To view the schedule of veteran hiring fairs for 2013, [click here](#).

PTSD and Co-occurring Problems

Resources from the National Center for PTSD

Post-traumatic stress disorder commonly occurs with other mental health problems, which can complicate treatment. A PTSD diagnosis will frequently co-occur with depression and/or substance abuse problems, including alcohol and smoking.

Other problems that are often co-morbid with PTSD include sleep problems, TBI and other physical health conditions, suicidal intent, grief and anger. Co-occurring conditions are often associated with poorer health outcomes than individual disorders, such as reduced quality of life and increased use of health care.

For an overview of resources on co-occurring problems that can go hand-in-hand with PTSD, [click here](#).

The National Center for PTSD also offers free PTSD consultation for anyone working with veterans. For more information, call 866-948-7880 or email ptsdconsult@va.gov.

Funding Opportunities

The Bunbury Company, Inc. is a grantmaking private foundation whose general purposes are to support charitable organizations primarily within central New Jersey. Bunbury seeks to assist organizations primarily in Mercer County, but also in Camden, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth,

Ocean and Somerset counties, including programs focused on community building and social service programs that empower the underserved. Applications are reviewed quarterly. For more information, [click here](#).

The Fowler Foundation focuses its giving on empowering disadvantaged people and is particularly interested in funding organizations that address homelessness, hunger, and job training and placement. The Foundation only awards grants to organizations headquartered in and providing services for residents of Washington, D.C. and the surrounding Maryland and Virginia suburbs. There are no deadlines for applications. For more information, [click here](#).

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