



Department of Veterans Affairs Employee Education System

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Colorado Traumatic Brain Injury Trust Fund
present

COURSE NO. 08.V19.PWSUICIDETBI.A

“ASSESSING SUICIDE IN PATIENTS WITH TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES”

October 23, 2008

Place: Courtyard By Marriott, Denver - Cherry Creek
1475 South Colorado Blvd.
Denver, CO 80222
303-757-8797

Purpose: Provide state-of-the-art clinical information for assessing the increased risk for suicidal behavior in those veterans with a history of Traumatic Brain Injury.

Outcome Objectives: At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

1. Identify the signs of increased risk for suicidal behavior in those with a history of TBI; and
2. recognize the process by which evidence-based means of suicide risk assessment for those with a history of TBI, is established.

Target Audience: Members of the TBI and mental health professional communities in the state of Colorado and in the Veterans Administration. Audience may include such disciplines as Nursing, Social Work, Counseling, Psychology and Physicians.

Accreditation/ Approval: **Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)**
The VA Employee Education System is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

American Psychological Association (APA)
The VA Employee Education System is approved by the American

Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Employee Education System maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

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Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB)

VA Employee Education System, Provider Number 1040, is approved as a provider for continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards 400 South Ridge Parkway, Suite B, Culpeper, VA 22701. www.aswb.org. ASWB Approval Period: 4/7/07 - 4/1/10. VA Employee Education System maintains responsibility for the program.

National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC)

The VA Employee Education System is approved by the National Board for Counselor Certification to offer continuing education for Certified and/or Licensed counselors. Provider #5927

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Education Credit:***

Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)

The VA Employee Education System designates this educational activity for a maximum of **6.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)**TM. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

American Psychological Association (APA)

As an organization approved by the American Psychological Association, the VA Employee Education System is sponsoring this activity for **6.5** hours of continuing education credit. The Employee Education System maintains responsibility for this program and its content

American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

VA Employee Education System designates this educational activity for **6.5** contact hours in continuing nursing education.

Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB)

VA Employee Education System, Provider Number 1040, is approved as a provider for social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB), (1-800-225-6880) through the Approved Continuing Education (ACE) program. VA Employee Education System maintains responsibility for the program. Social workers will receive **6.5** continuing education clock hours in participating in this course.

National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC)

The VA Employee Education System is approved by the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) to offer continuing education accreditation for National Certified and Licensed Counselors. We adhere to NBCC Continuing Education Guidelines. This program is approved for **6.5** contact hours. Provider #5927.

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Report of Training

It is the program participant's responsibility to ensure that this training is documented in the appropriate location according to his/her locally prescribed process.

Program Schedule

Thursday, October 23, 2008

8:00am – 8:15am	Registration / Welcome and Opening Remarks**	
8:15am – 8:30am	Introduction of all Speakers**	
8:30am – 8:45am	TBI 101	<i>Lisa Brenner, PhD, ABPP</i>
8:45am – 9:00am	Suicide 101	<i>Peter Gutierrez, PhD</i>
9:00am – 10:30am	Understanding the Neurobehavioral Consequences of TBI	<i>Mary Hibbard, PhD, ABPP</i>
10:30am -10:45am	Break**	
10:45am – 12:15pm	Similarities and Differences between Veterans and non-Veterans with TBI who are Suicidal	<i>Rose Collins, PhD</i>
12:15pm – 1:45pm	Lunch** - On Your Own	
1:45pm – 3:15pm	The Interaction of Cognitive and Emotional Sequelae of TBI in Assessing Suicide Risk	<i>M. David Rudd, PhD, ABPP</i>
3:15pm – 3:30pm	Break**	
3:30pm – 5:00pm	Application of the Interpersonal Psychological Theory of Suicide to Combat Veterans	<i>Thomas Joiner, PhD</i>
5:00pm – 5:15pm	Closing Comments**	

****This segment is not included as CE credit**

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**Application
Procedure:** **VA Employees** must complete an online registration form at:
<https://vaww.trace.lrn.va.gov/registration/Default.asp?CourseID=2282>

Non-VA participants must fill out a copy of the registration form attached to this brochure and e-mail it to: shirley.leal@va.gov.

All registrations must be submitted by October 14, 2008

This program is the second part of a three-day conference. For information about the other part of this conference send an email to marcielle.sardinta@va.gov

Deadline Date: Completed applications are due on or before **October 14, 2008**. Information on participation may be obtained from Rosemary Iles, Education Specialist, at the Salt Lake City EES Resource Center, 550 Foothill Blvd, Suite 100, Salt Lake City, Utah 84113, phone 801-924-6816, email rosemary.iles@va.gov, or Shirley Leal @ 801-924-6813, email shirley.leal@va.gov.

Cancellation Policy: Those individuals who have been accepted to attend and need to cancel should notify Shirley Leal at the Salt Lake City Employee Education Resource Center, by phone or email at least two weeks prior to the program at 801-924-6813, shirley.leal@va.gov.

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