



The VISN 19 Mental Illness, Research, Education, and Clinical Center (MIRECC)
in collaboration with the
University of Utah's Brain Institute
invite you to attend the

Third Annual Traumatic Brain Injury & Suicide Prevention Conference: The Impact Substance Abuse Monday, September 13th, 2010.

This national conference brings together world-class researchers to address suicide prevention among veterans.

This ALL DAY event will be held at University Park Marriott (across the street from the VA) on

The conference is FREE of charge and will include a continental breakfast and a full lunch.

We will have local and national speakers including Drs. Mark Ilgen and Richard McKeon.

Dr. Ilgen is a Research Investigator at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Serious Mental Illness Treatment Research and Evaluation Center (SMITREC) specializing in studying the association between alcohol and drug use and risk for suicide.

Dr. McKeon is the Special Advisor for Suicide Prevention at the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Topics will include suicide, TBI, substance abuse, PTSD, the genetics and neurobiological underpinnings of suicide and psychiatric disorders, pharmacology, and treatment planning.

Information for electronic registration will be e-mailed out the week of 16 August 2010.

Please contact Lynnette Averill in MIRECC at ext. 2716 or Lynnette.Averill@va.gov with questions.