



Supporting Providers Who Serve Veterans

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The Suicide Risk Management Consultation Program (SRM) provides free consultation, support, education, and resources that promote therapeutic best practices for providers working with Veterans at risk for suicide.



What is the Need?

Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death in the United States and the suicide rate is 1.5x greater for Veterans than non-Veterans. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is committed to advancing suicide prevention outreach, education, and treatment efforts to reduce Veteran suicide. Ensuring all providers have access to suicide prevention best practices and consultation support is critical to improving Veteran suicide prevention inside and outside VA.



How Does SRM Help Community and VA Providers?

SRM experts offer tailored support anchored in clinical experience, best practices, and current research. When providers have access to the right resources, they feel supported and confident in their approach to serving Veterans.

Whether you are a community or VA provider, **you can request a free consultation** on issues such as:

- ▶ Conceptualization of suicide risk
- ▶ Strategies for how to engage Veterans at high risk
- ▶ Lethal means safety counseling
- ▶ Best practices for documentation
- ▶ Provider support after a suicide loss

SRM offers **suicide prevention trainings and resources** for community and VA providers on topics such as:

- ▶ Safety planning
- ▶ Clinical practice guidelines for suicide prevention
- ▶ Welfare checks
- ▶ Cultural competence within suicide prevention



It's always refreshing to have some new tools and a different lens to view things.

... I felt supported as a clinician. It wasn't just information but was also a space where I could verbalize and struggle with some of the uncertainty.



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