# Voices of Hope in Suicide Prevention

**2021 VA Colorado Suicide Prevention Month Virtual Summit**

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**September 22, 2021, 9:30am - 2:30pm**

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## Panel 1: Welfare Checks - Experiences from the Field

**Moderator:** Edgar Villarreal  
VA Eastern Colorado Healthcare System - Suicide Prevention Program Manager

**Panelists:**  
Gregory Hughes, LICSW  
National Care Coordination Director - Veterans and Military Crisis Line  
Eric Wood  
Grand Junction Police Department- Co-Responder Program  
Carleigh Sailon  
Program Manager- Denver Support Team Assisted Response (STAR) Program  
Crystal Tabor  
Lead Peer Support Coordinator- VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System

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## Panel 2: Suicide Prevention is Everyone’s Business: Redefining Our Roles in Suicide Prevention

**Moderator:** James Gallanos, LCSW  
VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System -Suicide Prevention Coordinator

**Panelists:**  
Jennifer Daniels, Coordinator of the Mesa County Suicide Prevention Coalition and the Colorado National Collaborative (CNC) for Mesa County  
Nathan Souder

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## Panel 3: Supporting Veterans in Periods of Transition

**Moderator:** Ben Kramer  
VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System -Suicide Prevention Coordinator

**Panelists:**  
Melissa Armstrong  
Volunteers of America  
Diane Ricci  
Veteran Community Partnership  
Marie Hargrove  
Military 2 VA

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## Panel 4: Lethal Means Safety and Safety Planning: Success Stories--From Theory to Practice

**Moderator:** Rainy Reaman, LCSW  
VA Western Colorado Health Care System- Suicide Prevention Coordinator

**Panelists:**  
Joseph Simonetti, MD MPH, VA Eastern Colorado Healthcare System and Rocky Mountain MIRECC  
Matt Wetenkamp, Veteran Suicide Prevention Coordinator, Office of Suicide Prevention, CDPHE  
Nathan Rudolph, Peer Support Specialist and Firearm Advocate, VA Western Colorado Healthcare System  
Sabra Lin O’Crotty, Manager, Rocky Mountain Gun Club  
Emily Humphrey, Director, Larimer County Criminal Justice Services