INTRODUCTION

We Honor Veterans (WHV), a program under the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (NHPCO) and in collaboration with the Department of Veterans Affairs, continues to serve with a simple goal at the forefront of all we do – care for and honor those who have served when they reach the end of life. WHV trains hospice and palliative care teams on Veteran-specific issues and equips them to understand and support Veterans' needs by providing free education, resources, and technical assistance to hospice providers and other healthcare professionals caring for Veterans, including those whose military service, combat experience, or other traumatic events may resurface during their dying process. The program aims to address the growing need for Veteran-centered care, especially as the demand for hospice and palliative care in the aging Veteran population increases. Since its inception, WHV has successfully grown to include almost 5,000 community hospice partner organizations nationwide.

HIGHLIGHTS

New Partner Directory Search Feature: Palliative Care Services

The We Honor Veterans Partner Directory now displays whether partner hospice organizations provide palliative care services, an important feature for patients and families as well as Department of Veterans Affairs staff looking to connect with community providers.

We Honor Veterans in the News

CBS's Magnum PI episode featured the No Veteran Dies Alone volunteer program and highlighted the support provided to one terminally-ill Vietnam Veteran receiving hospice services.

New Resources Created for Free, On-Demand Viewing

- “Elizabeth Dole Foundation: Campaign for Inclusive Care” Webinar
- “Is It Ever Too Late? Understanding LGBTQ+ Veterans at EOL” Webinar
- “Veteran Care: Untold Stories, Untold Needs” Webinar with Opus Peace
- “Psychedelic Therapy for EOL Distress: Potentials and Pitfalls” Webinar with VA
- “VA Caregiver Support Program” Webinar with VA

Continued Nationwide Promotion of VA SME Trainings for Community Hospice Staff

- Moral Injury: 18,921 views
- Suicide Prevention: 17,768 views
- PTSD: 13,999 views
- Supporting Military Veterans with PTSD at the End of Life - Video Illustrations: 4,749
- VA & NHPCO Screening and Referral of Veterans on Hospice Webinar: 368 views
- VA Benefits Webinar: 820 views
4,972 Hospice Partners

723 Community-based Health Care Partners

111 State-wide and Community-based Hospice-Veteran Partnerships

8% Increase in Level 3, 4 & 5 Partners Over the Last Year

56,906 Staff and Volunteer Training Participants (often duplicate staff)

78,453 Community Outreach Training Participants (venues include churches, homeless shelters, assisted living facilities, Vet-to-Vet cafes, etc.)

LEVEL 4 & 5 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 2,675 Vet-to-Vet Volunteers
- 10,332 Veteran Patients Enrolled in VA
- 8,316 Veteran Patients Receive VA Benefits
- 24,485 Veterans Pinned
- 36,983 Veterans Served During Military History Checklist Evaluation
- 236 Level 5 Partners

BREAKDOWN OF VETERANS SERVED

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