



COMMUNITY CLERGY TRAINING PROGRAM:

Military Culture and Wounds of War & Mental Health Resources for Warriors

Many Veterans and their family members seek help for their problems from clergy because they feel the faith community can provide anonymity, confidentiality and a stigma-free environment. Yet clergy members sometimes have limited knowledge about readjustment difficulties and the unique health issues such as post-traumatic stress or depression common to returning warriors.

This Community Training Partner Initiative offers critical resource to educate and support the faith community as you support our Veterans and their family members.

PROGRAM AGENDA

- 0800 Registration
- 0830 Welcome and kick off
- 0900 Module 1: **Military Culture and the Wounds of War** – Each branch is unique. How do we recognize the differences and be present with our Veterans?
- 1130 VA Services and Benefits & Points of Contact – hand out benefit books
- 1200 Networking Lunch (provided)
- 1230 Module 2: **Pastoral Care for Veterans and Their Families** – Pastoral Care for Veterans and their Families – and Suicide Awareness - S.A.F.E overview
- 1530 Closing

Please **register** to **reserve** your seat today! There is **no cost** for **registration or attendance**.

The training will be facilitated by VA Chaplain David McElwain, on January 30th, 2020 from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm (Mountain Time Zone) Medora Community Center, 465 Pacific Avenue, Medora, ND 58645.

If you are interested or know of someone interested in attending - **please use this link to register:**
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cctp-military-culture-the-wounds-of-war-pastoral-care-for-vets-their-f-tickets-84768040491>

**25 rooms are blocked under "North Dakota Cares" at the Rough Riders Hotel, Medora, ND for the evening of January 29th, 2020 at a rate of \$79.00 per night. To make reservations please call the hotel direct at (701) 623-4444. Lodging is the responsibility of the attendee and will not be reimbursed.



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