# 2019 Statewide Symposium in Support of Service Members, Veterans & Their Families – Agenda

**Day 1 – Symposium – Wednesday, April 17, 2019**

**Registration – Breakfast – Exhibitors**

**0800 – 0900**

- **Breakout Room**
  - **Track: Mil/Vet in AZ BRITTLEBUSH**
  - **Track: Legal, Vet Courts & Incarcerated Veterans CHIA**
  - **Track: Basic Needs, Benefits & Beyond – DESERT STAR**
  - **Track: Family Matters GOLDEN POPPY**
  - **Track: Clinical Practice & Skills OCOTILLO**
  - **Track: Caring for All Who Serve LARKSPUR**

**0900 – 10:30**

- **Initial Formation – Cottonwood Ballroom**
  - Opening Ceremony | Col (Ret) Wanda Wright, Arizona Department of Veterans’ Services | Executive Order | 10 Years of Collaboration!
  - **Break**
    - Refreshments, Exhibitors & Networking

**10:30 – 11:00**

- **Break**
  - Refreshments, Exhibitors & Networking

**11:00 – 12:15**

- **Briefing I**
  - **Military/Veteran 101**
    - Leslie Vyvial & Abe McCann
      - Arizona Coalition for Military Families
  - **VA Law Update & Social Security**
    - Gregg Maxon, Judge Pro Tem, Mesa and East Valley Regional Veterans Treatment Courts & Art Gage
  - **Coordinating Care Between the VA and Community Providers**
    - Moderator: Todd Dahl
      - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
  - **We Serve Too: Impact of the Veteran Experience on Family & Friends**
    - Moderator: Dena Hallman
      - U.S. Army
  - **Military Sexual Trauma**
    - Sharon Coleman
      - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
  - **Caregiving in the Aging Veteran Population**
    - Facilitator: Maureen McCarthy
      - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

**12:15 – 1:30**

- **Lunch**
  - Networking

**1:30 – 2:45**

- **Briefing II**
  - **Navigating the VA**
    - Monica Cabrera & Cara Garcia, LCSW
      - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
  - **Discharge Upgrades/Correction of Military Records**
    - Kristine Huskey
      - U of A Veterans Advocacy Law Clinic
  - **Serving Veterans & Veterans Serving: National Service Programs in Arizona**
    - Kristy Rosen
      - Corporation for National and Community Service
  - **Federal and State Resources Addressing Opioid Use Disorder in Arizona**
    - Shana Malone
      - AHCCCS
  - **What Matters Most to You?: The Whole Health Model of Care**
    - Facilitator: Susan Lucht
      - OTD, OTR/L
      - Southern Arizona VA Health Care System
  - **Wounded Warriors & Families Panel**
    - Moderator: Kristin Musch, RN
      - Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona

**2:45 – 3:15**

- **Break**
  - Snacks

**3:15 – 4:30**

- **Briefing III**
  - **Decisive Action Rotation: A Military Experience (No, you can’t handle it!)**
    - Abe McCann & Chessa Emmons
      - Arizona Coalition for Military Families
  - **Women Justice-Involved Veterans**
    - Marianne Bayardi
      - Judge, Phoenix Veterans Court
  - **Money and the Military Experience**
    - Frank Molinar
      - Richer Lives, Ready Warriors
  - **LGBT Cultural Competence and Veteran Care**
    - Michelle Hovis
      - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
  - **The Community Matters: The Role of Community in the Whole Health Model of Care**
    - Facilitator: Susan Lucht
      - OTD, OTR/L
      - Southern Arizona VA Health Care System
  - **Self-care for Caregivers**
    - Cathy Shiroma
      - Generations Home Care

**1600 – 1700**

- **Networking Reception**
  - Join us to celebrate 10 years of collaboration with refreshments, music and gift basket giveaways

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## Day 2 – Symposium – Thursday, April 18, 2019

### 0800 – 0900
Registration – Breakfast – Exhibitors

### 0900 – 1000
**General Session – Cottonwood Ballroom**
Be Connected | Arizona Roadmap to Veteran Employment | Public/Private Partnership

### 1000 – 1030
**Break**
Refreshments, Exhibitors & Networking

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### 1030 – 1200
**Briefing IV**
Choose one

- Connecting with American Indian Veterans
  - Facilitator: Abe McCann
  - Arizona Coalition for Military Families
- AZ Veteran Talent: Recruiting Pathways to Find & Connect
  - Facilitator: Abe McCann
  - Arizona Coalition for Military Families
- State & Federal Benefits for Veterans Highlights
  - Chrrisy Hawn, Arizona Department of Veterans’ Services & Monica Cabrera, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- Psychology & Spirituality in Veteran Healing
  - Ron Friesen, LPC &
  - Moderator: Linda Macleish, MC, LPC, E-RYT
- Match! The Right Resource at the Right Time
  - David Donaldson
  - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- Women Veterans in Leadership Panel
  - Moderator: Wanda Wright
  - Arizona Department of Veterans’ Services

### 1200 – 1300
**Lunch – Networking**

### 1300 – 1415
**Briefing V**
Choose one

- Rural American Indian Health and Resources
  - Jon Perez, SAMHSA & Rod Sepulveda, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- HR Veteran Retention and Growth: Practices & Strategies
  - Jezreel Ramirez, Arizona Department of Veterans’ Services & Abe McCann, Arizona Coalition for Military Families
- Lions, Tigers and Therapeutic Animals, Oh My!
  - Moderator: Kristin Musch, RN
  - Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona
- Role of Faith Communities in Veteran Healing
  - Moderator: Mike Wold
- Be Connected Navigation +: Virtual Case Management & Closed Loop Referrals
  - Moderator: TJ Reed
  - Crisis Response Network
- Women Veterans Health & Access to Care
  - Kristen Nordquist
  - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

### 1415 – 1545
**Break – Snacks**

### 1430 – 1545
**Briefing VI**
Choose one

- The American Indian Veteran/Code Talker
  - Facilitator: Holly Figueroa
  - Steward Health Choice Arizona
- Tools of the Trade: Web-based Tools and Platforms for Veteran Employment
  - Katherine Pappas, Pipeline AZ & Abe McCann, Arizona Coalition for Military Families
- Arizona Veteran Supportive Campus Roundtable
  - Jamie Valderrama, MAIS
  - Arizona State University
- Mindfulness & Meditation
  - Jamie Valderrama, MAIS
  - Arizona State University
- The Connectors Panel: Navigator & Peer Support Providers
  - Moderator: David Donaldson
  - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- VA Benefits for Women Veterans: Past, Present & Future
  - Sabrena Schmella
  - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

### 1600 – 1630
**After Action Report (AAR) – Cottonwood Ballroom**
Wrap up & Raffle

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