

Veteran Suicide Prevention Evaluation: Reverse Site Visit (YR 5)

Bank of America Plaza, CDC Foundation, Suite 1000 Phil Jacobs Conference Room 600 W Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30308

Day One: Tuesday, June 13, 2023

This session is open to current VSPE grantee participants, their leadership and partners (in-person or virtually).

9:00 a.m. Networking Session (optional)

This is an optional session for current and former VSPE participants to join the CDC and CDC Foundation for informal networking.

10:00 a.m. Meeting Welcome and Overview

Ebony Akinsanya, MPH, Senior Program Officer

10:05 a.m. VSPE Background and Program Highlights

Judith R Qualters, PhD, Director, Division of Injury Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

10:15 a.m. VSPE Impact

Ebony Akinsanya, MPH, Senior Program Officer and **Lola Oguntomilade**, Director of Non-Infectious Disease Federal Practice

10:30 a.m. VSPE Grantee Presentations Part 1

Each VSPE grantee will have the opportunity to present (15-20 minutes) their evaluation project and lessons learned throughout the year. Each presentation will be followed by a 10-15 minute of question-and-answer session.

- The Fire Watch
- Combined Arms

11:35 a.m. Lunch Break (on your own)

1:05 p.m. VSPE Grantee Presentations Part 2

Each VSPE grantee will have the opportunity to present (15-20 minutes) their evaluation project and lessons learned throughout the year. Each presentation will be followed by a 10-15 minute of question-and-answer session.

- Community Action for Veterans
- Project Sanctuary
- Warrior Surf Foundation

2:35 p.m. Evaluation & Partnerships Panel

Moderator: Tanha Patel, MPH, Senior Technical Advisor

3:30 p.m. Reverse Site Visit Day One Wrap-up

Day Two: Wednesday, June 14, 2023

This session is open to current and former VSPE grantee participants only (in-person or virtually).

8:30 a.m. Networking Session (optional)

This is an optional session for current and former VSPE participants to join the CDC and CDC Foundation in welcoming them to Day 2 of the in-person meetings.

9:00 a.m. Welcome VSPE

Ebony Akinsanya, MPH, Senior Program Officer and Emily Gordon, MPH Program Officer

9:05 a.m. VPSE VSO Impact

Darnesha Tabor, MDP, Evaluation Specialist and **Ivy Vitanzos Cervantes, MD, MPH**, Technical Advisor

9:30 a.m. Community of Practice: Sustaining Program Evaluation

Moderator: Kaitlin Cashwell, Director of Development for America's Warrior Partnership **Speakers: Carrie Bair Norwood**, Chief Development Officer for Project Sanctuary, **Heather Pekios**, Senior Manager of Research & Evaluation for The Mission Continues, **Gloribeth Fernandez**, Program Manager for The Objective Zero

In this session, attendees will hear how VSPE Project Alumni are sustaining evaluation practices to further understand and refine impact. Learn how each organization has developed unique structures and practices to keep evaluation going forward as an important part of their program success. Discuss as a group how the evaluation journey of VSPE grant recipients have evolved over time and share lessons learned.

11:10 a.m. What's next for VSPE? Toolkit Teaser and Future Opportunities to Collaborate: VSPE Team

Participants will receive a high-level overview of the VSPE Evaluation Toolkit. They will learn where to find additional veteran specific evaluation resources and how to share those resources with other VSOs interested in evaluation. The session will also encourage providing continued feedback on the VSPE evaluation toolkit through the Spring of 2024. Finally, participants will learn where to go to find out about continued opportunities for VSPE collaboration and engagement.

11:45 a.m. Reverse Site Visit Day Two Wrap-Up