

Oregon Army National Guard “Partners in Care”



Developing support for soldiers
and their families

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Why We Need “Partners in Care”

- Oregon has deployed over 13,000 troops since the start of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.
- Transitioning back into civilian life:
 - Minor to severe
 - Economy affecting job search
 - Living with physical and emotional effects of war
 - Family stresses: marriage, parenting, in-laws
 - Monthly bills

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COMMON ISSUES IN REINTEGRATION ARE:

- Employment
- Education/Licensing
- Housing
- Health Care
- Mental Health
- Veterans’ Benefits
- Family Issues
 - Parenting
 - Relationships
 - Financial Concerns
 - Domestic Violence
- Substance Abuse
- Suicide

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- Guard members are from every small town and are spread out everywhere.
- The Oregon Guard has armories spread over most of Oregon, however many families still are miles from an armory.

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- Oregon Guard has one full time chaplain
- Many faith groups want to serve
- Community outreach to military families

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- **SAMHSA Training**
- **Memorandum of Understanding**
- **Certificate of Recognition**
- **FAS Coordination**

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“Partners in Care” **KEY COMPONENTS**

- Inter-faith in composition
- Voluntary
- Memorandum of Understanding required
- Support is provided free of charge
- Each supports according to their ability
- Assistance is offered equally to all referred regardless of religious affiliation

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“Partners in Care” **PARTNER REQUIREMENTS**

1. Signed Memorandum of Understanding
2. Identified congregation or organizational Point of Contact (POC)
3. List of current congregation or organization supportive services offered



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“Partners in Care” **SUPPORT TO OUR PARTNERS**

- Current list of **Family Assistance Specialists**:
Location and contact information
- List of **Joint Transition Assistance Program**
team members and contact information
- Comprehensive list of **community referral agencies** by county
- Periodic **training** opportunities