



## **VA Desert Pacific Healthcare System & California Hospice Foundation Invite Hospice Leaders to the VISN 22 Palliative Care Conference**

### **VISN Vision: Promoting Partnership Wednesday September 1, 2010**

**Fort McArthur, 2400 South Pacific Avenue, San Pedro, CA 90731**

**Program Overview:** This program will share best Palliative Care practices among VA staff and community partner stakeholders in order to enrich the care Veterans receive at the end of life. We will discuss the types of services available at the end of life and the barriers that veterans may face in the community.

**Outcome Objectives:** Upon completion of the program, participants will be able to:

- ◆ Identify the types of end of life services available for eligible veterans and their families.
- ◆ Identify the community end of life resource providers available to veterans and their families.
- ◆ Develop communication plans between community partners and VA providers.
- ◆ Describe the unique and special needs of the veteran population.

#### **Schedule of Events**

7:45-8:10 am	Registration
8:10-8:30 am	Welcome - <i>Deborah Moran; Stephanie Ross</i>
8:30-10:00 am	Hospice Veteran Partnerships: "Building a Veteran-Centric Culture" - <i>Diane Jones; Kandyce Powell</i>
10:00-10:15 am	Break
10:15-10:40 am	VA Facility Reports: Partnering & Progress Long Beach - <i>San San Wong</i> Loma Linda - <i>Sheryl Terkildson</i> Greater Los Angeles - <i>Jennifer Grabot-Gomez</i> San Diego - <i>Marita McGoldrick</i> Las Vegas - <i>Aurelio J. Muyot</i>
10:40-11:40 am	Generational Veterans - "Cultural Distinctions Among Generational Veterans" - <i>Thad V. Jaracz, Lieutenant Colonel, Army Retired; Stephanie Ross</i>
11:40-12:45 pm	Lunch - Voices in Song for the Dying - Threshold Choir
12:45 -2:00 pm	Peace at Last: Stories of Hope and Healing for Veterans and Their Families - <i>Deborah Grassman</i>
2:00-2:45 pm	Breakout Activity: Holistic Integrative Therapies - Mindful Meditation & Music Therapy - <i>Adrienne House; Ileen Wright; Cathy O'Neil; Elise Ballard</i>
2:45-3:00 pm	Break
3:00-3:45 pm	Breakout Session: "Building Community Relationships" - Community Partners and VA Teams Roundtable
3:45-4:30 pm	Summary and Sustainment
4:30-4:45 pm	Evaluations, Wrap Up & Adjourn

**If you are seeing patients in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, or San Diego County, or Clark County, Nevada, and want more information about working with Veterans, this meeting will be invaluable.**

**Continuing Education Credits:** This program has been approved for six and one-half (6.5) BRN contact hours; six and one-half (6.5) Social Work contact hours; and six and one-half (6.5) contact hours for physicians.

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