

# 2022 MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY SUMMIT



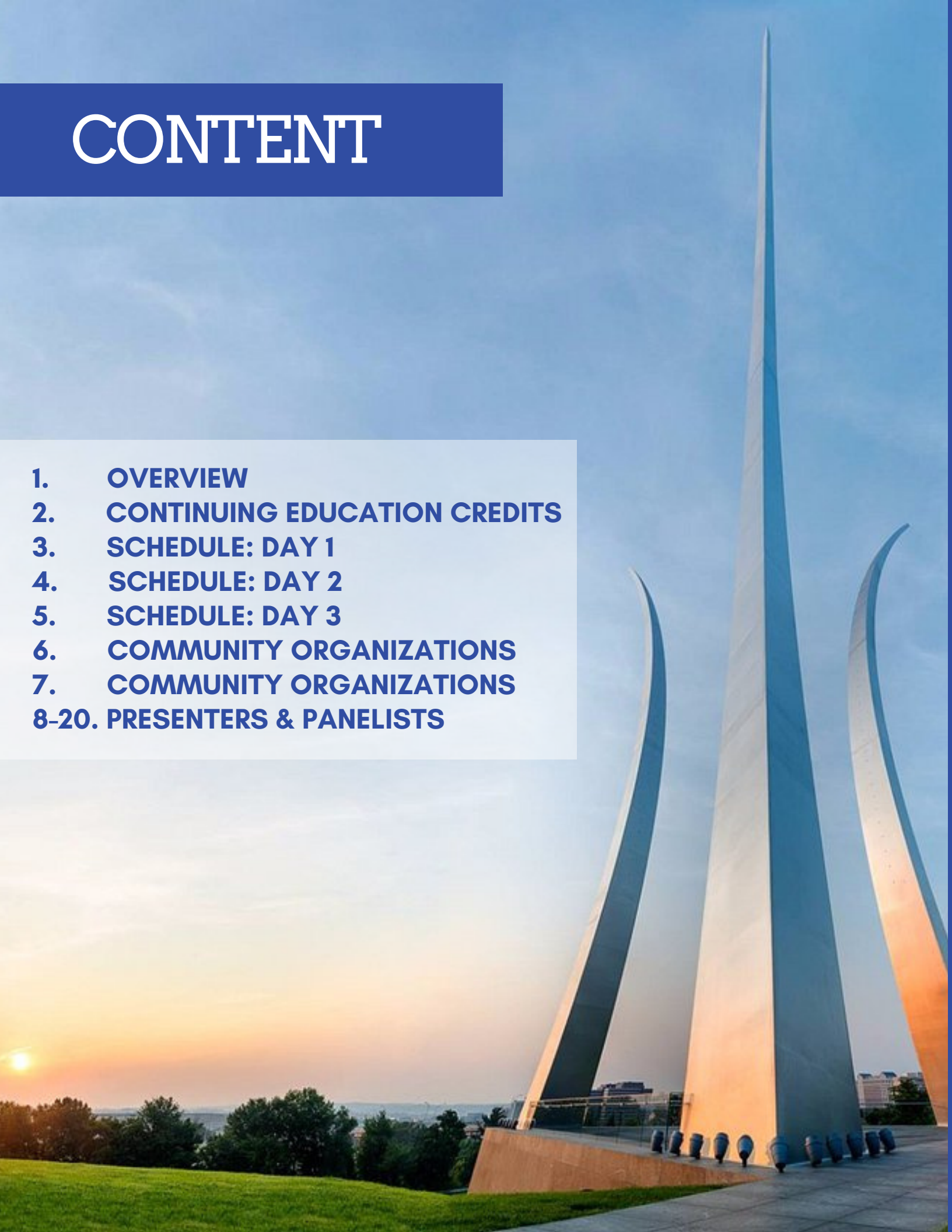
"ADVOCACY AND EMERGING AREAS IN  
MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY"

JUNE 22-24, 2022 | VIRTUAL



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# OVERVIEW

The Virtual Military and Veteran Summit's theme is "Advocacy and Emerging Areas in Military Psychology," sponsored by the American Psychological Association Division 19, USU Center for Deployment Psychology, Catholic University of America, and the District of Columbia Psychological Association, will be held this year on June 22-24, 2022.

The program presentations will include Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion, Early Career Psychologist Panel, Family, Forensic Psychology, Intern Presenters, Internship Directors Presentation, Operational Psychology, Military to Civilian Transition, Moral injury, Performance Enhancement, Research in the Military, Society Leadership Program, Student Panel Suicide, Virtual Reality, and Veteran Service Organizations.



# CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

**Division 19: Society for Military Psychology is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists.** Division 19 maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

Division 19: Society for Military Psychology offers attendees credit hours for participation in this training. Participant attendance data will be collected electronically during webinars and individual presentations must be attended in their entirety in order to receive credit. There is a 30-day time limit post-training to complete all CE requirements. Partial credits cannot be issued.

Inquiries regarding CE credits may be directed via email to [Division19CEC@gmail.com](mailto:Division19CEC@gmail.com)

# 2022 MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY SUMMIT

**DAY 1**

Wednesday, June 22, 1030 – 1900 EST

**1030-1100**

## **INTRODUCTION**

*CDR Tatana Olson, President APA, Division 19*

*Brendan Rich, Ph.D., Catholic University*

*Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D., Former President, DCPA will speak on behalf of Samira Paul, DCPA President*

*Chris Adams, CE Review*

**1100-1230**

## **EXECUTIVE PERSPECTIVES ON EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP**

*Chair: Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D.*

*Panelists: Elizabeth P. Van Winkle, Ph.D., Tim Hoyt, Ph.D.,  
Rebecca I. Porter, Ph.D.*

**1230-1400**

## **TREATING MORAL INJURY IN VETERANS**

*Chair: Michelle Kelley, Ph.D.*

*Panelists: Brett Litz, Ph.D., Shira Maguen, Ph.D.,  
Tim Usset, MDiv, MA, MPH, LMFT, BCC*

**1400-1530**

## **PANEL: ADVOCACY AND COLLABORATION WITH MILITARY SERVICE OFFICES & VETERAN SERVICE OFFICES**

*Chair: LT Aaron Banas*

*Panelist: Jennifer Selke, Ph.D., Aaron Leonard, TW Howell, Ellen Burke,  
Matthew Smith, Dina Forehand, T'Liza Kiel, Cynthia Rivera,  
Caitlin Pollard*

**1530-1700**

## **PANEL: SOCIETY FOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM CAPSTONE PRESENTATIONS**

*Chairs: LT Samantha Giangrande & LT Lynnea Vis*

*Panelist: Jason Sadora, LPC, M.S., M.A., CPT Emily Covais*

**1700-1800**

## **STRENGTHENING THE HOMEFRONT: A TACTICAL TOOLKIT TARGETING KEY FACTORS DURING DEPLOYMENT**

*Khristine Heflin, MSW, LCSW-C. & Andrea Israel, Ph.D.*

**1800-1900**

## **STUDENT CHAPTER: SO YOU WANT TO SUSTAIN, CREATE OR JOIN A STUDENT CHAPTER?**

*Chairs: LT Victoria De-Hoyos & Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D.*

*Panelist: Steven Thorp, Ph.D., Darcy Richardson, Shannon Exley,  
Nicholas Swansburg, Joseph Troiani, Ph.D., Rebecca Hans*

**1900**

## **MINDFULNESS CHECK-OUT**

*Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D.*

# 2022 MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY SUMMIT

**DAY 2**

*Thursday, June 23, 1030 – 1900 EST*

- 1030-1100 EDITOR'S CHOICE**  
*Chair: Thomas Britt, Ph.D.*  
*Panelists: Katherine Musacchio Schafer, M.Ed., M.S., Doctoral Candidate, Mor Nahum, Ph.D.*
- 1130-1300 FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY IN A MILITARY SETTING**  
*Chair: Paul Montalbano, Ph.D., ABPP*  
*Panelists: Denise Mumley, Ph.D., Pamela Barrigher, Ph.D., Natalia Cardona, PsyD, Marcus VanSickle, Ph.D., ABPP, MP, Courtney Collins, Ph.D.*
- 1300-1400 THE MILITARY-CIVILIAN TRANSITION PROCESS**  
*Chair: Nathan D. Ainspan, Ph.D.*  
*Panelists: Kristin N. Saboe, Ph.D., Arpita Ghosh, Ph.D.*
- 1400-1500 ADVOCATING FOR DIVISION 19 PRIORITIES: WHY, HOW, WHO, WHEN?**  
*Chair: Bruce Crow, PsyD, MPH*  
*Panelists: Beth N. Rom-Rymer Ph.D., Katherine B. McGuire, APA Chief Advocacy Officer*
- 1500-1630 MEETING WITH THE JOURNAL EDITORS**  
*Chair: Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D.*  
*Panelists: Stephanie Bélanger, Ph.D., Kenneth M. Nowack, Ph.D., Satoris Howes, Ph.D., Mark R. Beauchamp, Ph.D., Elizabeth H. Lazzara, Ph.D.*
- 1630-1800 UPDATE ON OPERATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY IN SPECIAL OPERATIONS**  
*Chairs: CAPT Scott Johnston, Ph.D., ABPP, Mark Staal, Ph.D., ABPP*  
*CDR Jason Duff, MSN, PsyD*
- 1800-1900 EARLY CAREER PSYCHOLOGIST MENTORSHIP**  
*Chair: Kathleen "Katie" Fry, Ph.D.*  
*Panelist: Angela P. Cole-Dixon, Ph.D., Arpita Ghosh, Ph.D.,*
- 1900 MINDFULNESS CHECK-OUT**  
*Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D.*

# 2022 MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY SUMMIT

**DAY 3**

*Friday, June 24, 1030 – 1900 EST*

**1030-1200**

## **UPDATES ON MILITARY AND VETERAN SUICIDE PREVENTION**

*Chair: David A. Jobes, Ph.D. ABPP*

*Panelists: M. David Rudd, Ph.D., Marjan G. Holloway, Ph.D.,  
Peter Britton, Ph.D., Bruce Crow, Psy.D. MPH*

**1200-1300**

## **PSYCHOSOCIAL WELL-BEING, SPIRITUALITY, MEANING AND PERFORMANCE IN THE MILITARY**

*Chairs: Gloria H. Park, Ph.D., MAPP & Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D., ABPP, MAPP*

*Panelists: Gabriel Paoletti, EdD, MAPP*

*Capt (CH) Christopher Pokorny,  
Carroll H. Greene III, PhD, ABPP,  
Maj Amileah Davis, BSC, ABPP*

**1300-1400**

## **PANEL: "OUR EXPERIENCES WITH INTERSECTIONALITY"**

*Chairs: MAJ Brandi Walker & Erin Moeser-Whittle, Ph.D.*

*Panelists: CPT Mila Verner, Mr. Michael Speis,  
MSG Andre Walker, SSG Raymond Rivera-Roman*

**1400-1500**

## **DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM (DHP) RESEARCH AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES IN PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH**

*Chair: CDR Tatana Olson*

*Panelists: Dwayne Taliaferro, Ph.D., CDR Christopher Steele*

**1500-1600**

## **VIRTUAL REALITY METAVERSE APPLICATIONS FOR ADDRESSING PTSD: FROM COMBAT TO COPS TO COVID AND BEYOND!**

*Albert "Skip" Rizzo, Ph.D.*

**1600-1700**

## **PSYCHOLOGY AT WORK: SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE IN THE MILITARY**

*Nathan W. Galbreath, Ph.D., M.F.S.*

**1700-1800**

## **DOD/ VA DIRECTORS**

*Chair: William Brim, Psy.D.*

*Panelists: MAJ Cara Cox-Coleman, Jason Stolee, Ph.D.,*

*Channing Cochran, Ph.D., MAJ Marc Patience, John Ralph, Ph.D.*

**1800-1900**

## **INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE**

*Chair: LT Victoria De-Hoyos & Stephen V. Bowles, PhD,*

*Panelists: LT Eguono Akpoduado, Evan Hughes, M.A., Alison Legrand,  
CPT Brandon P. Smith, CPT Kurtis Michael Smith*

**1900**

## **MINDFULNESS CHECK-OUT**

*Stephen V. Bowles, PhD*

## **Team Red, White, & Blue (Team RWB)**

We are a catalyst for military, veterans, and family members to build social and community connection. Our goal is for military and veteran populations to feel more whole and connected in their communities. All are welcome to join Team RWB chapters and events. These events utilize physical and social engagement to build enrichment.

## **Veteran Outreach Program San Francisco VA Health Care System**

The VOP is an outreach and mental health program under the San Francisco VA Health Care System's Office of the Director, whose mission is to provide convenient, whole-veteran concierge services to Veterans in academic and community-based settings. The VOP provides enrollment and education about VA Health Care, connection to VA services, advocacy, and direct mental health services. The VOP executes VHA's innovative capabilities in a community-based setting, increasing access to care and strengthening the community's perception of the VA as patient-centered, whole-Veteran health care system.



# **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

## **Sierra Club Military Outdoors**

SCMO is at the forefront of a national movement to ensure every veteran in America has an opportunity to get outdoors when they return home after service. For many veterans, meaningful connections to the outdoors are a gateway to a new mission and continued service to the lands they swore an oath to protect SCMO is about more than the healing power of the outdoors; it is also about activating and empowering voices of veterans who are already skilled and inspired to defend America's lands, water, wildlife, and people. Veterans are change agents, enthusiastic to make a difference in their communities. When our veterans thrive, so too does our society. The goal of SCMO is to improve the lives of veterans and their families through connections with the outdoors and inspire members of the military and veteran community to become outspoken champions for environmental conservation and justice.

## **Shepherd Center**

The SHARE Military Initiative at Shepherd Center is a comprehensive rehabilitation program that focuses on assessment and treatment for service members who have served in the U.S. military since September 11, 2001, regardless of discharge status. The program helps service members who are experiencing symptoms of or have a diagnosis of mild to moderate traumatic brain injury or concussions and any co-occurring psychological or behavioral health concerns, including post-traumatic stress. SHARE Military Initiative provides hope, assistance, support and education to service members and their families during their recovery treatment and beyond.

## Wounded Warrior Project

Veterans and service members who incurred a physical or mental injury, illness, or wound while serving in the military on or after September 11, 2001. You are our focus. You are our mission. Wounded Warrior Project is committed to helping every warrior achieve their highest ambition. If you suffered a physical or mental injury, wound, or illness during military service on or after September 11, 2001, you can register to access our programs in areas like mental health, financial wellness, physical health, and peer and community connection.

## Mission: at Ease

A small, private organization that provides amazing experiences to our nation's finest. We take disabled combat veterans on hunting and fishing adventures. We then use these adventures as a catalyst to work on the mental and social growth of our attendees. Through our processes we hope to identify areas for each veteran that we as an organization can make a positive impact on their lives. These impact may range from getting them to reconnect to the world they have withdrawn from to giving them a safe outlet to ask for help.

## Camp Southern Ground

Camp Southern Ground veteran programs are both founded on the premise that when men and women enlist to protect our country, we have an obligation to honor their service and sacrifice, and care for them upon their return home. Warrior Week and Warrior PATHH are specifically dedicated to serving post-9/11 veterans struggling with transition to life after military.

## The Mission Continues

A national, nonpartisan nonprofit that empowers veterans to continue their service, and empowers communities with veteran talent, skills and preparedness to generate visible impact. Veterans possess the drive and desire to serve others, but without access to the tools needed, their potential to make meaningful impact at the local level remains untapped. On the other end of the spectrum growing numbers of communities in this country are under-resourced and being left behind. At The Mission Continues, we're on a mission to connect veterans with under-resourced communities. Our programs in cities across the country deploy veteran volunteers alongside nonprofit partners and community leaders to improve educational resources, increase access to parks and green spaces, foster neighborhood identity, and more. Our vision is for all veterans with a desire to continue their service to be part of a movement to transform communities.

## Blue Star Families

Through our research and program partnerships, we ensure that wherever American military families go, they can always feel connected, supported, and empowered to thrive – in every community, across the nation, and around the globe.

# PRESENTERS & PANELISTS

## **NATHAN D. AINSPAN, PH.D.**

*Senior Research Psychologist for the Military-Civilian Transition Office at the Department of Defense. TVPO oversees the military-to-civilian transition process for the Department of Defense to ensure that all service members transitioning from military service are prepared for their next step into civilian life. Dr. Ainspan's role is to ensure that any future enhancement to the program are based on behavioral and psychological science and best practices.*

## **LT EGUONO AKPODUADO**

*LT Eguono Akpoduado is a psychology intern at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. Recently, she completed her dissertation at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine on Criminogenic cognitive distortions: Validating a measure of cognitive distortions on a forensic sample. She will be presenting on Navy Psychology Internship on behalf of the Walter Reed Navy Psychology Internship Program.*

## **LT AARON BANAS**

*Dr. Aaron Banas is an Active Duty Navy psychologist stationed at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, where he works as an integrated behavioral health consultant in the Internal Medicine Department. Dr. Banas is a prior service Navy Corpsman and behavioral health technician and has been involved in the military behavioral health field since 2004. In his spare time, Dr. Banas enjoys spending time outdoors with his spouse and two young sons.*

## **PAMELA BARRIGHER, PHD**

*Interim Director of Psychology, Department of Behavioral Health, Saint Elizabeth's Hospital, Washington, DC.*

## **MARK R. BEAUCHAMP, PH.D.**

*Mark R. Beauchamp, Ph.D., is a Professor of exercise and health psychology at the University of British Columbia. His research focuses on the psychology of group processes within exercise and sport settings. He is a Chartered Psychologist and Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society (BPS), and is the incoming editor for Sport, Exercise, and Performance Psychology (APA).*

## **STÉPHANIE A.H. BÉLANGER, PH.D.**

*Dr. Bélanger is the Associate Scientific Director of the Canadian Institute for Military and Veteran Health Research, a unique consortium of 46 Canadian universities dedicated to researching the health needs of military personnel, Veterans and their families. She is co-editor in chief of the Journal of Military, Veteran and Family Health (University of Toronto Press funded in 2015). She is a Professor in the Department of French Language, Literature and Culture and the Chair of the Master's of Public Administration program at the Royal Military College of Canada where her research focuses on War Testimony, Soldier Identity and Moral Injuries. She specializes in Military Ethics and Just War Theories. She serves in the Royal Canadian Navy as a reservist since 2004.*

## **STEPHEN V. BOWLES, PHD**

*COL (Ret) Stephen V. Bowles, Ph.D., ABPP-CH, is currently serving as a Visiting Research Fellow in the Institute for National Security Studies at the National Defense University (NDU) and Adjunct Faculty at the Uniformed Services University. He is the former President for Division 19 and the District of Columbia Psychology (DCPA) as well as a former APA Council Representative member. He is a graduate and Fellow of The Eisenhower School at the NDU, Distinguished Practitioner and Fellow of the National Academy of Practice in Psychology, and APA Fellow. His research focuses are couples' resilience, leadership mindfulness, and recruiter selection.*

# PRESENTERS & PANELISTS

## **WILLIAM BRIM, PSYD**

*William Brim, Psy.D., is the Executive Director of the DoD Center for Deployment Psychology at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU) and Assistant Professor in the Medical and Clinical Psychology Department at USU in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Brim received his master's and doctorate degrees in clinical psychology from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He is a graduate of the Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center Psychology Residency Program and the Wilford Hall Clinical Health Psychology Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program. Following his active duty service in the US Air Force, Dr. Brim joined the CDP initially as a Deployment Behavioral Health Psychologist and Assistant Training Director at the Andrews Air Force Base Psychology Internship site. Dr. Brim specializes in behavioral sleep medicine. He has written numerous articles and book chapters on clinical implications of military culture. He is the incoming president elect of Division 19.*

## **THOMAS BRITT, PH.D.**

*Dr. Thomas Britt is a Professor of Psychology at Clemson University and the Prisma Health Science Center Research Director for Clemson. His current research programs investigate how stigma and other barriers to care influence employees in high stress occupations seeking needed mental health treatment, and the identification of factors that promote resilience among employees in high stress occupations.*

## **PETER BRITTON, PH.D.**

*Dr. Peter Britton is a research psychologist in the Center of Excellence for Suicide Prevention at the VA Finger Lakes Healthcare System. He is also an Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Rochester Medical Center. His work focuses on developing, testing, and studying interventions for populations at high-risk for suicide, with a focus on Veterans.*

## **ELLEN BURKE, PH.D.**

*Project Odyssey Manager, Wounded Warrior Project*

## **NATALIA CARDONA, PSYD**

*Post-doctoral Fellowship at the Center for Forensic Behavioral Sciences*

## **CHANNING J. COCHRAN, PH.D.**

*Dr. Cochran earned her doctorate in clinical psychology from Baylor University after completing a pre-doctoral internship at the Salt Lake City VA Health Care System. She then completed a postdoctoral fellowship in Geropsychology at the South Texas VA Medical Center. Currently, Dr. Cochran works as the Associate Director of Psychology Training and is involved in developing and supporting training initiatives for students at all levels of training, including practicum students, predoctoral interns, and postdoctoral fellows. She has certifications in several evidence-based treatments, including Dialectical Behavioral Therapy and Interpersonal Therapy for Depression.*

## **COURTNEY COLLINS, PH.D.**

*Psychology Consultant, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Behavioral Analysis Unit  
Forensic Psychology Postdoctoral Fellow, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Center for Forensic Behavioral Sciences*

## **CPT EMILY COVAIS**

*Emily Covais is an active duty Army psychologist. She graduated from Regent University in 2021 and is completing her residency at Brooke Army Medical Center. She has been a member of APA Division 19 since 2015 and is actively involved in the Summit Leadership Program.*

# PRESENTERS & PANELISTS

## **BRUCE CROW, PSYD, MPH**

*Bruce Crow, PsyD, MPH is Associate Director, Program Evaluation for the Department of Veterans Affairs Suicide Prevention Program. Prior to his current position he completed a military suicide research fellowship at the University of Washington School of Medicine. Dr. Crow served on active duty with the Army for 30 years and another five years as an Army civilian psychologist. While on active duty he held several senior leadership positions including eight years as the Army's chief psychologist. Throughout his career he has been active in developing suicide prevention quality improvement initiatives and is currently focused on developing public health approaches to suicide prevention.*

## **Maj AMILEAH DAVIS USAF, BSC, ABPP**

*Maj Amileah Davis is the Command Psychologist for the 24th Special Operations Wing. She oversees psychological and cognitive programming for approximately 2,000 Special Tactics airmen and their families.*

## **Lt VICTORIA De HOYOS**

*Victoria is currently a second-year student at Uniformed Services University for the Health Sciences (USUHS) working toward a PhD in Clinical Psychology. Her current research is focused on comparing military and civilian offender personality profiles across Competency to Stand Trial and Criminal Responsibility evaluations; as well as conducting a program impact evaluation of USUHS's resiliency curriculum in Army medical students. She will pursue a career as an Air Force psychologist and is interested in exploring embedded and forensic roles in the military context.*

## **ANGELA P. COLE DIXON, PH.D.**

*Angela P. Cole Dixon, PhD, is Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Professor of Psychology at Howard University. She earned her BS in psychology, with a minor in mathematics, at Howard University and her PhD in cognitive psychology at Stanford University. She was awarded a pre-doctoral fellowship and dissertation fellowship by the American Psychological Association's (APA) Minority Fellowship Program (MFP). She was a Post-Doctoral Fellow in the Research Center for Group Dynamics at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research (ISR). In 2008, Dr. Dixon was selected by Stanford University as a Distinguished Alumni Scholar. Her research focuses on information-processing models of decision making, social cognition and personality, and has resulted in publications in Health Psychology; Law and Human Behavior; Brain, Behavior and Immunity; Basic and Applied Social Psychology; Archives of Clinical Neuropsychology; Caribbean Journal of Psychology; and African American Research Perspectives. She has received external funding from the National Science Foundation (NSF), the American Psychological Association (APA), and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). She was Principal Investigator (PI) for a research grant jointly funded by NSF's Decision, Risk, and Management Sciences Program and Social Psychology Program; was PI for the Atlantic Coast Social Behavioral and Economic Sciences Alliance (AC-SBE), funded by NSF's Directorate for Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences; and received a Faculty and Student Research Team Program Award from the DHS. She has chaired an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Health, Education and Human Services (HHS) Science and Technology Policy Fellowship Selection Committee and is a member of the APA Psychology Summer Institute (PSI) Selection Committee.*

# PRESENTERS & PANELISTS

## **CDR JASON DUFF**

*Commander Jason Duff has served 15 years as a Navy Clinical Psychologist. CDR Duff has also worked as a nurse, a psychiatric nurse practitioner, and as a college professor. CDR Duff is a qualified Surface Warfare Medical Department Officer. He served as Command Psychologist for both the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT and the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON. He has deployed as an individual augmentee to Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He has hosted two mental health talk shows (Okinawa & GTMO). CDR Duff proudly served as the Presidential Support Program Director at Marine Barracks Washington and Marine Helicopter Squadron One (HMX-1). In this role he supported the White House, Camp David, and the White House Communications Agency. CDR Duff has served as an Assistant Specialty Leader for Navy Clinical Psychology. He is currently the Naval Special Warfare Group ONE Command Psychologist.*

## **ENS SHANNON EXLEY**

*ENS Shannon L. Exley (pronouns: she/her) received her B.A. in Psychology from American University in 2018 and her M.S. in Medical and Clinical Psychology from the Uniformed Services University (USU). Shannon is a second-year doctoral student in the Clinical Psychology military track at USU, and her current research in Dr. Natasha Schvey's Stigma & Health Lab focuses on the relationship between experiences of gender-based stigma in the military and the mental health of female service members.*

## **DINA FOREHAND**

*SHARE Access Manager, Shepherd Center*

## **KATIE FRY, PH.D.**

*Katie Fry is a graduate of Fielding Graduate University, where she earned her doctorate in clinical psychology, with an emphasis in neuropsychology. She completed her internship at the Chillicothe VAMC in Ohio, where she trained in PCMH, substance abuse and trauma. She went on to complete a trauma focused post-doctoral fellowship at the George E. Wahlen Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah and has remained on as staff. Her research interests include understanding unit cohesion and veteran reintegration. Katie previously served as the Eastern Regional Rep for Division 19's Student committee, and currently is the chair for the Early Career Psychology association.*

## **NATHAN W. GALBREATH, PH.D., M.F.S.**

*Nate Galbreath is the Acting Director of the DOD Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office. He is a licensed, clinical psychologist in the state of Maryland. He has a PhD in Clinical Psychology from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and a Master of Forensic Science from the George Washington University. He served as an Air Force officer from 1989 to 2009, and worked as a Special Agent for the Air Force Office of Special Investigations and clinical psychologist throughout his 21 year military career.*

## **ARPITA GHOSH, PH.D.**

*Arpita Ghosh, PhD is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Psychology at the University of Kansas and holds a research affiliation at the Dwight D. Eisenhower VA Medical Center in Leavenworth, KS. She is a counseling psychologist by training and her research interests focus on delineating the impact of contextual factors on U.S. military veterans' academic and career choices. Her research addresses fundamental questions about veterans' academic and career trajectories and informs the development and implementation of evidence-based interventions that broaden veterans' participation in higher education and the workforce.*

# PRESENTERS & PANELISTS

## **LT SAMANTHA GIANGRANDE**

*Dr. Giangrande is an active-duty Psychologist in the United States Navy. She graduated from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine with a PsyD in Clinical Psychology in 2019. She is currently stationed at Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, Georgia. She is a member of the Division 19 Society for Leadership Program and will be presenting her capstone project at the Summit titled: Quarterly seminar series with Division 38, Health Psychology, discussing mindfulness in leadership.*

## **CARROLL H. GREENE III, PH.D., ABPP**

*Carroll Greene is a retired Air Force Colonel and consulting psychologist with over 40 years of experience in behavioral health management and operational support to military operations. For more than 25 years, he developed and led psychological applications to assess, select, and train elite special operations personnel for organizations in the U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM).*

## **REBECCA HANS, M.A.**

*Rebecca Hans, M.A. is a clinical psychology doctoral candidate (PsyD) at Adler University in Chicago, Illinois with an emphasis in military psychology and substance abuse. She is the current president of the Military Psychology Student Organization (MPSO) at Adler University and has served on the executive board for three years and counting. Rebecca is currently a therapist in the Mental Health Outpatient Clinic at Lovell Federal Health Care Center. Starting July 2022, Rebecca will start her advanced practicum in the post-9/11 veterans track at Jesse Brown VA Medical Center. Rebecca participated in research at the Edward Hines Junior VA that involved researching brain regions associated with mild traumatic brain injury and alcohol use disorder.*

## **KHRISTINE HEFLIN, MSW, LCSW-C**

*Ms. Heflin is a licensed Clinical Social Worker and has been practicing since 2006. Currently, she serves as a Military Child Behavioral Health Social Worker with the Center for Deployment Psychology (CDP) at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences located in Bethesda, MD.*

## **MARJAN G. HOLLOWAY, PH.D.**

*Marjan G. Holloway, Ph.D. is a Professor of Medical & Clinical Psychology and Psychiatry at Uniform Services University and Faculty at the Beck Institute and the Zero Suicide Institute. As the Director of Suicide Care, Prevention and Research Initiative, she has led multiple DpD-funded studies, served on the DoD Task Force for the prevention of military suicide, and continues to chair the NATO Research Task Group on military suicide.*

## **TW HOWELL**

*Founder – Mission: at Ease*

## **TIM HOYT, PH.D.**

*Dr. Tim Hoyt is a clinical psychologist currently serving as the Deputy Director for Force Resiliency in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel & Readiness.*

*Prior to his current assignment, Dr. Hoyt served in several roles within the Defense Health Agency, including as the Deputy Director of the Psychological Health Center of Excellence and as the Director of the National Center for Telehealth & Technology. While on active duty, he deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.*

# PRESENTERS & PANELISTS

## **EVAN HUGHES, M.A.**

*Evan Hughes is a doctoral fellow at the Consortium Research Fellows Program working with the Foundational Science Research Unit (FSRU) at the U.S. Army Research Institute (ARI). He is currently preparing to defend his dissertation at the Catholic University of America that will examine the effects of stress, salience, and semantic association on prospective memory in July. Evan is interested in military psychology and will be presenting on his experiences at ARI working with a group of interdisciplinary researchers on Army-related issues regarding industrial and organizational psychology.*

## **ANDREA ISRAEL, PH.D.**

*Dr. Andrea Israel, PhD is a clinical psychologist who has enjoyed a varied career across diverse settings, including university medical centers, community hospitals, outpatient clinics, and federal civilian and military installations. She has particular expertise in supporting children and adolescents, individuals with neurodiverse presentations, and assessment, intervention, and performance enhancement within the context of specialized environments. Currently she serves as a Military Behavioral Health Child Psychologist at the Center for Deployment Psychology (CDP) at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.*

## **JASON SADORA, M.A. M.S. LPC**

*Jason Sadora, M.A.; M.S.; LPC, is a third-year Ph.D. Clinical Psychology Graduate Student, and has over ten years of service in the USARNG with one deployment to Afghanistan in 2011. Jason is heavily involved with integrating a body-mind connection as a researcher at the Brigham and Women's Hospital Pain Management Center and at the Psychological Institute of Las Vegas as a psychology trainee. Most importantly, Jason is currently developing a mentoring program for the D19 Association.*

## **DAVID A. JOBES, PH.D. ABPP**

*David A. Jobes, Ph.D. ABPP is a Professor of Psychology, Director of the Suicide Prevention Laboratory, and Associate Director of Clinical Training at The Catholic University of America. He is also an Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry at Uniform Services University's School of Medicine. Dr. Jobes serves as a Highly Qualified Expert (HQE) to the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM).*

## **CAPT SCOTT L. JOHNSTON**

*CAPT Scott L. Johnston, PhD, has served as a Clinical Psychologist in the Navy for over 26 years and is currently assigned as Force Psychologist at Naval Special Warfare in Coronado, California. He has been stationed around the world and deployed five times to include Iraq, Cuba and the Persian Gulf. He has lectured and published on Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, psychological transitioning from combat, LGBT issues in the military, and mindfulness.*

## **MICHELLE KELLEY, PH.D.**

*Michelle Kelley, Ph.D., is professor of psychology and an eminent scholar at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia. Her work focuses on the impact of moral injury and traumatic events on mental health in veterans. Her most recent work has focused on the development of a live facilitated 7-week telehealth training program that provides mindfulness treatment for moral injury in veterans.*

## **T'LIZA KIEL**

*Director, Alumni Engagement, The Mission Continues*

# PRESENTERS & PANELISTS

## **ALISON LEGRAND**

*Alison Legrand is currently a psychology intern at the American Lake VA. She graduated with a BA from UI-Chicago in 2014. She is completing her PhD in Clinical Psychology from the University of Vermont under the mentorship of Dr. Matthew Price. She is interested in how technology can be used to better understand development of psychopathology following a traumatic event to help inform clinical intervention, particularly after MST and intimate partner violence. After completing her PhD, she plans to begin a position as a Graduate Psychologist at the American Lake VA in Primary Care Mental Health Integration and the Women's Health Clinic.*

## **AARON LEONARD**

*Senior Campaign Representative Sierra Club Military Outdoors, Chair and co-founder, Veterans and Military Outdoors Coalition*

## **BRETT LITZ, PH.D.**

*Brett Litz, Ph.D. is currently a Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at Boston University School of Medicine and the Psychology Department at Boston University as well as the Director of the Mental Health Core of the Massachusetts Veterans Epidemiological Research and Information Center at the VA Boston Healthcare System. His recent work entails evaluating the social, psychological, and spiritual impact of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars among active-duty military personnel and veterans and conducting clinical trials of Adaptive Disclosure, a psychotherapy developed by Dr. Litz and his colleagues.*

## **SHIRA MAGUEN, PH.D.**

*Shira Maguen, Ph.D. is Mental Health Director of the Post-9/11 Integrated Care Clinic and Staff Psychologist on the Posttraumatic Stress Disorder Clinical Team (PCT) at the San Francisco VA Health Care System (SFVAHCS), and Professor in the Dept. of Psychiatry, UCSF School of Medicine. Her research interests fall under the umbrella of PTSD, moral injury, and suicide, and include risk and resilience factors in veterans, with a particular focus on female veterans.*

## **KATHERINE B. MCGUIRE**

*Katherine B. McGuire is APA's first chief advocacy officer, responsible for implementing a unified, strategic vision for the association's government relations efforts and coordinating APA's broader advocacy initiatives in nongovernmental sectors. Her mandate includes leading APA and its companion APA Services, Inc. to ensure t APA speaks effectively with one voice before Congress, federal agencies and the White House. She also chairs the, Psychology PAC.*

## **ERIN MOESER-WHITTLE, PH.D.**

*Dr. Erin Moeser-Whittle is a proud military spouse who has dedicated her time to support both her family and the larger military and veteran community. She received her PhD in Industrial/Organizational Psychology from the Florida Institute of Technology, and since graduating has worked in various applied and academic roles. Erin has been an active member of the Society for Military Psychology since 2016, serving as Chair of the Diversity in the Military Committee in 2020.*

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## **PAUL MONTALBANO, PH.D., ABPP**

*Dr. Montalbano is the director of the first and only postdoctoral training program in forensic psychology to receive accreditation through the American Psychological Association. Extensive experience in providing forensic administrative and clinical services. Extensive experience in performing psychological evaluations, in forensic, military and civil settings in both pre-trial and post-trial contexts.*

## **DENISE MUMLEY, PHD**

*Associate Director, Forensic Psychology Fellowship, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Center for Forensic Behavioral Sciences*

## **DR. MOR NAHUM, PHD**

*Dr. Mor Nahum, PhD, is a senior lecturer and the head of the Computerized Neurotherapy Lab at the Faculty of Medicine, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel. She completed her graduate studies at Hebrew University in 2009, and a postdoctoral tenure at UC Berkeley in 2014. Trained as a cognitive neuroscientist, her research focuses on measurement and improvement of real-life cognitive functions across the lifespan, using mobile tools.*

## **CDR TATANA OLSON**

*Dr. Tatana Olson currently serves as the Acting Chief of Staff for the Research and Engineering Directorate at the Defense Health Agency (DHA) in Falls Church, Virginia where she leads a diverse team, advancing innovative medical research and development across the Military Health System to enhance the safety, health, and readiness of service members on and off the battlefield. She also serves as the Program Director for the DHA's Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Technology Transfer (SBIR/STTR) Program, which fosters technological innovation in collaboration with small businesses.*

## **GABRIEL PAOLETTI, EDD, MAPP**

*Dr. Gabriel Paoletti is the Mental Fitness Scientist for the Uniformed Services University's Consortium for Health and Military Performance (CHAMP). He serves as a Subject Matter Expert in mental skills, positive and performance psychology, resilience, and leadership. Over the past 15+ years, Dr. Paoletti has applied the latest positive psychology research to create and lead over 300 distinct positive psychology and leadership development programs for audiences throughout the world ranging from leaders at the Pentagon, Army, Marine, Air Force, Navy, Coast Guard service members to Fortune 500 companies, professional athletes, CEO's and government leaders.*

## **GLORIA H. PARK, PHD, MAPP**

*Dr. Gloria Park is the Director of Performance Psychology with the Consortium for Health and Military Performance (CHAMP) and is a passionate advocate for sport, performance, and applied positive psychology. She serves as the subject matter expert for the performance psychology and mental fitness domains across CHAMP's leadership, education, and research initiatives. She has worked extensively with the military community providing resilience and performance enhancement training for the past decade.*

## **CaPT (CH) Christopher Pokorny**

*Christopher A. Pokorny is an Air Force Chaplain assigned to an Air Force Special Operations Command unit at Pope Army Airfield, NC. Prior to receiving a Master of Social Work from Arizona State University, Chaplain Pokorny received a Master of Divinity degree from Nashotah House Theological Seminary, was ordained an Anglican priest and served as a supply clergy for several years. Additionally, he is a Licensed Clinical Social Work Associate (LCSWA) in the state of North Carolina and is passionate about research on the intersection of spirituality and mental health.*

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## **CAITLIN POLLARD,**

*Director of Operations, Team RWB*

## **REBECCA I. PORTER, PH.D.**

*Rebecca I. Porter, Ph.D., Military Child Education Coalition*

*Dr. Porter is a proven leader with more than three decades of military service. As the President and Chief Executive Officer of MCEC, she oversees a wide range of research-informed initiatives and distinct programs for military and veteran-connected students, parents, and youth-serving professionals. She leads the nonprofit organization whose mission is to support all military-connected children by educating, advocating, and collaborating to resolve education challenges associated with the military lifestyle. Dr. Porter earned the Surgeon General's "A" proficiency designator, a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Clinical Psychology, and a Master of Science degree in National Security and Strategic Studies; she is board certified in Clinical Health Psychology (American Board of Professional Psychology).*

## **JOHN A. RALPH, PH.D., ABPP**

*Dr. Ralph earned his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Notre Dame in 1987. He then served for several years as a Navy Surface Warfare Officer, which included a deployment in support of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm in 1991. In 1996 he earned his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. He then spent the next 24 years as a Navy clinical psychologist. Among his career milestones; he was one of the first psychologists to serve aboard an aircraft carrier, he was the Officer-in-Charge of the Presidential Support Program for the Marine Corps, and he served as the psychologist for the White House Medical Unit. In 2008 he deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Dr. Ralph was also the first Director of Mental Health at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, he served as the Navy Clinical Psychology Specialty Leader for 5 years, and he was the Director of Psychological Health for the Navy.*

## **DARCY RICHARDSON**

*Darcy Richardson, a PsyD doctoral candidate at Alliant International University CSPP, is a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve, the recipient of the two-year Army Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP) award, and the President of the Student Association for Military Psychology (SAMP) at her university campus. An LMFT for the past six years in California, Darcy's past work experience includes serving as a Military Family Life Counselor with active-duty service members in all branches of the military utilizing psychotherapy focused on CBT, DBT, solution-focused, and Motivational Interviewing techniques. Darcy's career goals are to serve as an active-duty medical officer/psychologist in the United States Army.*

## **CYNTHIA RIVERA**

*Senior Manager of Equity and Social Impact Research , Blue Star Families*

## **SSG RAYMOND RIVERA-ROMAN**

*SSG Raymond Rivera-Roman is an active duty behavioral health technician with five years of military service. He holds a Bachelors in Psychology and has embraced unique opportunities to work in clinical settings stateside (such as Fort Sill, Oklahoma) as well as, in the Middle East as an Embedded Behavioral Health asset on a two year assignment. SSG Rivera-Roman attributed his time overseas has a critical point in his professional development as it allowed him access to different military communities and settings and served as a catalyst for his passion in the empowerment of people and helping them embrace their strength as well as pay it forward for others.*

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## **ALBERT "SKIP" RIZZO, PHD**

*Albert "Skip" Rizzo, PhD, is a clinical psychologist/neuropsychologist and director of medical virtual reality at the University of Southern California (USC) Institute for Creative Technologies. He is also a research professor with the USC Department of Psychiatry and the USC Davis School of Gerontology.*

## **BETH N. ROM-RYMER, PH.D.**

*Beth N. Rom-Rymer has been a pioneer throughout her life, beginning with her being admitted to the first class of women at Princeton University in the Fall of 1969. Dr. Rom-Rymer created the first Victim-Witness Assistance Unit in the State Attorney's Office and co-founded a shelter for battered women and their children in Tallahassee, Florida, in 1977-1979, and is one of the psychologists who created the field of forensic geriatrics in 2000, testifying, nationally, in cases concerning the sexual abuse of older adults in nursing homes and writing book chapters about the role of the forensic psychologist in geriatric settings. Dr. Rom-Rymer has taught at several Universities, including The University of Chicago and Northwestern University's Department of Psychiatry. Dr. Rom-Rymer led the successful legislative Movement for Psychologists' Prescriptive Authority in Illinois and continues to implement the Prescriptive Authority legislation in Illinois; consults with State Psychological Associations, nationwide, on legislative advocacy campaigns for Prescriptive Authority; and is completing a book, to be published by APA Press in 2023, on the impact of the Prescribing Psychologist Movement on the national healthcare crisis, "The Revolution in Healthcare: How Prescribing Psychologists are Changing the Healthcare Delivery System." Dr. Rom-Rymer is a candidate for APA President-elect 2023.*

## **M. DAVID RUDD, PH.D., ABPP**

*M. David Rudd, Ph.D., ABPP is a Distinguished University Professor of Psychology, Director of the Rudd Institute for Veteran and Military Suicide Prevention, and President Emeritus at the University of Memphis. He has been involved in multiple clinical trials with active-duty military, most recently demonstrating the efficacy of Brief Cognitive Behavior Therapy for Suicide Prevention, with BCBT-SP currently being transitioned to a digital therapeutic.*

## **KRISTIN N. SABOE, PH.D.**

*Dr. Saboe is an experienced manager and leader for applied research, strategic metrics, talent management, and organizational strategies with over a decade of experience conducting and overseeing high-impact, policy-driving research and authoring strategic enterprise decisions for federal and global organizations. Dr. Saboe maintains research and consulting expertise in leadership, policy, organizational development and talent management, team and individual performance (stress, well-being, resilience, high-performing teams), assessment/metrics, research and evaluation methodology, employee motivation and health, and military psychology.*

## **KATHERINE MUSACCHIO SCHAFFER, M.ED., M.S.**

*Dr. Katherine Schaffer is an incoming post-doctoral research fellow at the Nashville VA and Vanderbilt University. She is presently completing a pre-doctoral internship at the New Orleans VA. She completed her doctoral degree at Florida State University under the study of Dr. Thomas Joiner and now studies quality improvement in the healthcare setting. During her graduate school career, she published seven first author publications, was invited to speak at national conferences, and was awarded three prestigious dissertation awards and multiple grants. The goal of her research is to implement system-wide supports to reduce suicide related outcomes in Veterans.*

## **JENNIFER SELKE, PH.D.**

*Director of Veteran Programs , Camp Southern Ground*

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## **CPT KURTIS MICHAEL SMITH**

*CPT Kurtis Michael Smith currently serves as a post-doctoral resident in the Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC) Clinical Psychology Residency Program. His current placement is an inter-service rotation with the U.S. Navy through the Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific Medical Readiness Department's Embedded Mental Health (MIDPAC Surface Warfare EMH). CPT Smith obtained his Psy.D. in Clinical Psychology from The Chicago School of Professional Psychology in December 2021 where he completed a doctoral dissertation entitled, "Combat Veteran's PTSD and Quality of Life through Different Therapeutic Modalities: A Comparative Study".*

## **Capt BRANDON P. SMITH**

*Capt Brandon P. Smith is a Clinical Psychology Intern at Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center – JBSA. He commissioned to Active Duty Air Force in June 2021. He is completing his doctoral degree in Counseling Psychology at Texas A&M University. His dissertation focused on the differences in the impact of stigma on the use of mental health services between military and civilian populations. In addition to his clinical duties, Capt Smith is also responsible for recruitment efforts and projects for the internship program.*

## **MATTHEW SMITH**

*Veteran Outreach Program Manager, San Francisco VA Health Care System*

## **MR. MICHAEL SPEIS**

*Mr. Michael Speis is a retired NCO with over 20 years of service. At age 18, he joined the Active Duty Army in 1979, served 10 years, and then began a 15-year career in the Maryland Division of Corrections (DoC) as a corrections officer, weapons and self-defense instructor, and hostage negotiator. After retiring from the DoC, he returned to the Active Guard Reserve program in 2009 as an Army Recruiter/Career Counselor and later transitioned to service in the Army Reserves Operations/Training NCOIC until 2018, working full-time for Fort Meade's federal armed security forces as a supervisor for 14 years. Michael simultaneously coached youths in various sports from little league to semi-pro football.*

## **MARK STAAL, PH.D., ABPP**

*Dr. Mark Staal retired as the Air Force's senior operational psychologist. Mark is board certified and completed a post-doc fellowship in Human Factors Engineering at NASA. He serves as a consultant to the National Academy of Sciences and previously served as the Division 19 President where he is now a member of the APA's Council of Representatives.*

## **CDR CHRISTOPHER T. STEELE**

*CDR Steele has served as the Director for the Military Operational Medicine Research Program, U.S. Army Medical Research Camp; Development Command since January 2018 and as the Deputy Director from 2015-2018. In addition to serving as the Director for the Military Operational Medicine Research Program, CDR Steele also serves as the Chair of Joint Program Committee (JPC-5) for the Defense Health Agency. In these roles, he drives planning, programming and budgeting for medical research to protect the health, support readiness and sustain/enhance performance of warfighters faced with environmental extremes, inappropriate nutrition, physical degradation, sleep and circadian disruption, toxic chemical exposures, blast and physical injuries and under acute & chronic psychological stress.*

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## **JASON STOLEE, PH.D.**

*Dr. Stolee completed his internship and post-doctoral residency in Clinical Psychology at Madigan Army Medical Center. After finishing his initial contract as an Active Duty psychologist (including deployment to Iraq as a Behavioral Health Officer), he transitioned to civilian employment at Madigan, serving there as a staff psychologist and the Associate Program Director of the APA-accredited Clinical Psychology Internship Program. In 2021, Dr. Stolee transitioned to the Puget Sound VA, American Lake Division, assuming the Training Director role for the institution's APA-accredited internship and residency programs. His professional interest include the treatment of PTSD and insomnia, cultural humility, and the use of standardized patient experiences in training.*

## **NICHOLAS SWANSBURG**

*Nicholas William Swansburg is a 1st year PsyD Clinical Psychology Doctoral Student studying at Nova Southeastern University in Davie/Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He is a US Army Veteran who plans on going back into the Army once he has completed his degree. His interests are in Neuropsychology, Health Psychology, and Rehabilitation Psychology with research interest in PTSD, TBIs, and Concussions and finding alternative ways to help treat Military Service members, Veterans, and their families, for example how effective Equine-Assisted Therapy is for Service Members.*

## **DWAYNE TALIAFERRO, PH.D.**

*Dr. Dwayne Taliaferro currently serves as Program Area Lead supporting the Combat Casualty Care Research Program (CCCRP) and Program Manager for the Traumatic Brain Injury and Psychological Health Research Program at the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP), U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command. Dr. Taliaferro is also the CMDRP representative on Federal Interagency Traumatic Brain Injury Research Policy Group.*

## **STEVEN THORP, PH.D.**

*Dr. Steven Thorp has served as the Faculty Sponsor and Campus Representative at the California School of Professional Psychology of Alliant International University (AIU) at San Diego for Division 19. Thorp mentors students who have served as officers in the San Diego Student Association for Military Psychology (SAMP), including many students who have been awarded scholarships from the Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP) and attended the Center for Deployment Psychology's Summer Institute Program. Their chapter was selected as the 2019 and 2022 Division 19 Outstanding Chapter of the Year.*

## **JOSEPH TROIANI, PH.D.**

*Founding Director of the Military Psychology Programs at Adler University. He is an Associate Professor in Clinical Psychology and is the Program Coordinator for the Military Psychology Emphases in the Psy.D. program.*

## **TIM USSET, MDIV, MA, MPH, LMFT, BCC**

*Tim Usset, MDiv, MA, MPH, LMFT, BCC, is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. He is Executive Director of the Physicians Wellness Collaborative, and a Research Assistant at the Minnesota Evidence-Based Practice Center. His work at the VA is focused on trauma, moral injury, and spiritual distress.*

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## **ELIZABETH P. VAN WINKLE, PH.D.**

*Dr. Elizabeth P. Van Winkle, a member of the Senior Executive Service, is the Acting Director of Military Force Management Policy, Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower, Personnel and Services, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. In this position, she is responsible for establishing and overseeing military force management policies that support and retain Air Force personnel across the military lifecycle, and foster a diverse and inclusive culture. These policies guide the accession, assignment, evaluation, skills analysis and management, promotion, readiness, retraining, retention, separation and retirement of the Air Force's human capital and ensure Airmen have the necessary experiences and attributes required to compete, deter, and win in the high-end fight.*

## **MARCUS VANSICKLE, PH.D., ABPP, MP**

*Forensic Psychology Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center for Forensic and Behavioral Sciences*

## **CPT MILA VERNER**

*CPT Mila Verner serves as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Behavioral Health Officer assigned to one of the most robust units at Fort Bragg, NC. Mila is air assault trained and an Exceptional Medical Badge recipient who exemplifies expertise in being a Soldier and a seasoned provider for the Army's most critical weapons--Soldiers. With over 18 years of service between active duty and Army Reserve, having been an enlisted NCO and now commissioned officer, she has evolved into one of 82nd Division's most insightful clinicians.*

## **LT LYNNEA VIS**

*Dr. Vis is an active-duty Psychologist in the United States Navy. She graduated from Adler University with Emphasis in Clinical Military Psychology and Clinical Neuropsychology in 2018. Dr. Vis has been stationed at Walter Reed National Military Center, Navy Branch Health Clinic Sasebo, USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN-71) and is in the process of PCSing to Naval Service Training Command in Great Lakes. She is working on her capstone project: Don't Let Your Doctorate Get in the Way: Effective Communication with Military Leadership.*

## **MAJ BRANDI WALKER**

*Dr./MAJ Brandi Walker is a Howard University and University of Maryland alumni and Army Clinical Psychologist and faculty member at Womack Army Medical Center at Fort Bragg, NC who focuses attention and advocacy to diversity, inclusion, equity, and intersectionality awareness, training and practices. Brandi works directly with Service Members and their families, in addition to developing initiatives and collaborations that are in sync with the Army's Holistic Health and Fitness programming. Brandi has spent the last seven years committed to community efforts that entail working with various hospitals, clinics, and schools conducting research on children with ADHD, and their family in addition to, collaboratively initiating the Prince George's County (Maryland) Children and Adults with ADHD (CHADD) Chapter and CHADD's Southern Regional Support Center.*

## **MSG ANDRE WALKER**

*MSG Andre Walker is an active duty intelligence expert with over 20 years of military service. Throughout his career, he simultaneously obtained two associate degrees, one in military intelligence and the other in language, specifically, farsi and dari. He's also served in high visibility positions such as First Sergeant for over three years, and Training and Operations NCOIC at the Brigade level.*



## **ORGANIZING TEAM**

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