



# The U.S. Medicine Institute For Health Studies



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presents an interactive roundtable for decisionmakers

## ***Mental Health Care for Returning Veterans: Maximizing Professional Resources***

101 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. Ninth Floor  
April 11, 2008 8:30 a.m. – Noon

**Rick Erdtmann, MD**  
**Director, Board on Military and Veterans Health, Institute of Medicine**  
**Moderator**

*The growing ranks of servicemembers returning from the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan will challenge government and civilian mental health care professionals. How can available resources, in both federal agencies and the private sector, be enhanced? Are there new technologies that might come into play? What currently is working? What innovations lie on the horizon?*

8:00 a.m. coffee

**Greeting: David J. McIntyre**, President and CEO, TriWest Healthcare Alliance

**Opening remarks:** Moderator [8:30 – 8:35]

***Activities in Federal Agencies*** [8:35 – 9:05]

**Joe Kelley**, MD, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Clinical and Program Policy  
Department of Defense

**Antonette Zeiss**, PhD, Deputy Chief Consultant, Office of Mental Health Services  
Veterans Health Administration

**Maj. Gen. Gale Pollock**, Deputy Surgeon General for Force Management, Chief, Nurse Corps  
U.S. Army

**Open Discussion** [9:05 – 9:40]

***Perspectives from Other Stakeholders*** [9:40 – 10:10]

**Cathy Wiblemo**, Director, Subcommittee on Health, House Veterans Affairs Committee

**René Campos**, Deputy Director for Wounded Warrior Issues, MOAA

**Thomas Berger**, PhD, Chairman, National PTSD and Substance Abuse Subcommittee  
Vietnam Veterans of America

**Open Discussion** [10:10 – 10:45]

**Break** [10:45 – 10:55]

***Innovative Approaches*** [10:55 – 11:25]

**Glen Peterson**, PhD, Police Psychologist

**James Heywood**, Chairman and Founder, Patients Like Me

**Barbara Romberg**, PhD, Chairman and Founder, Give An Hour

***Targeted discussion on potential future collaborations and innovations*** [11:25 – 11:55]

**Closing observations:** Moderator [11:55 - Noon]