

3rd ANNUAL OKLAHOMA GOVERNOR'S
VETERAN SERVICES SYMPOSIUM
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA
NIGH UNIVERSITY CENTER



OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Symposium Schedule

- 8:00a.m. Check-in at Ballroom A/B (Nigh University Center, 3rd FLR)
Continental Breakfast and Networking
- 8:30a.m. Opening Ceremony
Presentation of the Colors – Honoring America’s Warriors
National Anthem – Jennifer Trimmer, University of Oklahoma
- 8:50a.m. Welcome to the University of Central Oklahoma
Dr. Myron Pope
Vice President for Student Affairs
- 9:00a.m. Introduction of Governor
Governor Mary Fallin, Governor of Oklahoma
Major General (Ret.) Myles Deering
Secretary of Veteran Affairs, State of Oklahoma
- 9:30a.m. Pete Reed
Program Coordinator
Oklahoma Veteran’s Health Care Pilot Program
- 9:50a.m. Networking Break
- 10:00a.m. Veteran Services Breakout Sessions
**Education/Employment will be one session presented by Bradley Ward*
- Room:** Henry Bellmon, Room 314
Community: VA Disability Claims & Benefits Update and Report
Jackie Whitten
Director, Claims & Benefits
- Room:** Ballroom A
Education/Training: Examination of the G.I. Bill in Oklahoma Higher Education
Bradley Ward
Director, Veteran Education
- Room:** Ballroom A
Employment: Workforce & Economic Impact of G.I. Bill
Bradley Ward
- Room:** Carl Albert, Room 300
Mental Health: VA Suicide Prevention Efforts: Public Health Approach

Kaily A. Cannizzaro, PsyD
Rocky Mountain MIRECC for Suicide Prevention

Aaron Eagan, RN, MPH
Deputy Director for Innovation/Program Development
Veterans Health Administration

11:30a.m. Lunch – On Your Own
UCO Food Court and 1890 Restaurant located on 2nd Floor of Nigh Center

1:00p.m. Veteran Services Breakout Sessions

Room: Henry Bellmon, Room 314
Community: Reducing Veteran Homelessness to “Functional Zero”
Michelle Evans, City of Norman
Coordinator, Norman Homeless Program

Room: Ballroom A
Education/Training: Warrior Scholar Panel
Bradley Ward & James Schmeling - Moderators
Students from OSU, UCO, OU, ECU, Cameron, OCU Law

Room: Ballroom B
Employment: Employment and Community Collaboration
Pete Luitwieler & Denise Reid
Warrior Partnerships of Eastern Oklahoma

Room: Carl Albert, Room 300
Mental Health: Veteran Suicide – Prevention update
Juanita Celie, OKC VAMC

Opioids in Oklahoma: Impact & Response
Sean Couch, ODMHSAS/Prevention

2:00p.m. Networking Break

2:15p.m. Veteran Services Breakout Sessions

Room: Henry Bellmon, Room 314
Community: Veterans Treatment Court
Tammy Westcott

Room: Ballroom A
Education/Training: James Schmeling
Vice President, Student Veterans of America

Room: Carl Albert, Room 300
Mental Health: “Telling Your Story”
Shelby Rowe
Suicide Prevention Program Manager, ODMHSAS

3:15p.m. Closing Remarks

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