



## VA MENTAL HEALTH ACRONYMS

A list of frequently used acronyms for clinics and other VA services.

### A

AC: Access Center

ACOS: Associate Chief of Staff

ACT: Acceptance and Commitment Therapy

ADC: Alzheimers Disease Center

ADE: Adverse Drug Event

ADL: Activities of Daily Living

ADSM: Active Duty Service Member

AGO: Agent Orange

AMVETS: American Veterans of World War II, Korea and Vietnam

### B

BHC: Behavioral Health Clinic

BH: Behavioral Health

### C

C&P: Compensation and Pension

CBOC: Community-Based Outpatient Center

CBRRP: Community Based Residential Recovery Program

CHAMPVA: The Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs health benefits program

CLC: Community Living Center

CPT: Cognitive Processing Therapy

CWT/IT: Compensated Work Therapy/Intensive Therapy

CV: Combat Veteran

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**D**

DAV: Disabled American Veterans

DBT: Dialectical Behavior Therapy

DTAP: Disability Transition Assistance Program

DTC: Day Treatment Center

**E**

EBP: Evidence Based Psychotherapy

EHR: Electronic Health Record

**F**

FOB: Forward Operating Base

**G**

GEU: Geriatric Evaluation Unit

**H**

H&CBC: Home and Community Based Care

HBHC: Hospital Based Home Care

HBPC: Home Based Primary Care

HCHV: Health Care for Homeless Veterans

HCRV: The VA Healthcare for Reentry Veterans (VA services for Veterans being released from State and Federal Prisons)

HUD-VASH: Housing and Urban Development – Veterans Affairs Supported Housing Program .

**I**

ICC- Integrated (Primary) Care Clinic for Veterans who served in Iraq/Afghanistan

IED: Improvised Explosive Device

**J**

JCAHO: Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations





**K**

**L**

**M**

ME: Motivational Enhancement

MGIB: Montgomery GI Bill

MHBSS: Mental Health and Behavioral Sciences Service

MHC: Mental Health Clinic

MHEC: Mental Health Evaluation Clinic

MHICM: Mental Health Intensive Case Management

MH RRTP: Mental Health Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program

MHS: Mental Health System

MHTC: Mental Health Treatment Coordinator

MIRECC: Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Center

MIT: Means Indicator Test

MTF: (DoD) Military Treatment Facility

MOS: Military Occupational Specialty

MP: Medical Practice

MST: Military Sexual Trauma

mTBI: mild Traumatic Brain Injury

**N**

NC-PTSD: National Center for PTSD

NSC: Non-Service Connected

**O**

OEF: Operation Enduring Freedom

OIF: Operation Iraqi Freedom

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OMHS: Office of Mental Health Services

OND: Operation New Dawn

OPC: Outpatient Clinic

**P**

PACT: Patient Aligned Care Team

PCC: Patient Centered Care

PCP: Primary Care Provider

PICU: Psychiatric/Patient Intensive Care Unit

PCT: Posttraumatic Stress Clinical Team

PE: Prolonged Exposure Therapy

PMHP: Primary Mental Health Provider

PII: Personally Identifiable Identification

PNS: Polytrauma Network Sites

PO: Privacy Officer

POC: Point of Contact

PPCS: Persistent Post Concussive Syndrome

PPDHA: Pre- and Post-Deployment Health Assessments

PPI: Privacy-Protected Information

PRC: Polytrauma Rehabilitation Center

PRRC: Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Center

PRRTP: Psychiatric Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program

PSCT: Polytrauma Support Clinic Team

PTRP: Polytrauma Transitional Rehabilitation Program

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**R**

RCS: Readjustment Counseling Service

RE: (One VA) Registration & Enrollment

ROI: Release of Information

RPG: Rocket Propelled Grenade

**S**

SADH: Substance Abuse Day Hospital

SAMHSA: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

SAP: Substance Abuse Program

SATT: Substance Abuse Treatment Team

SC: Service Connected

SCIP: Spinal Cord Injury Program

SE: Supported Employment

SIPU: Specialized Inpatient PTSD Units

SM: Service Members

SMI: Serious Mental Illness

SPMI: Serious and Persistent Mental Illness

SUD: Substance Use Disorder

SUPT: Substance Use and PTSD Dual Diagnosis Team

SWS: Social Work Service

**T**

TBI: Traumatic Brain Injury

TCT: telehealth clinical technician

TRICARE: health care program for Uniformed Service Members, retirees and their families worldwide

**U**





**V**

VA: Department of Veterans Affairs

VACO: VA Central Office

VAHCS: Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care System

VAMC: VA Medical Center

VAPI: VA Protected Information

VBA: Veterans Benefits Administration

VBC: Veterans benefits counselor

Vet Center: Veterans Readjustment Counseling Center

VHA: Veterans Health Administration VSO: Veterans Service Organization

VITAL: National VA Program for Student Veterans: Veteran's Integration into Academic Leadership

VJO: Veterans Justice Outreach

VRAP: Veteran's Retraining Assistance Program

VSR: Veteran Service Representative

**W**

WC: Women's Clinic

WCCC: Woman's Comprehensive Care Center

WCHIP: Women's Comprehensive Health Care Implementation Plan

WH PCP: Women's Health Primary Care Provider

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**Z**

\*\* Note: Acronyms may differ across VA Medical Centers.

