



Harnessing the Power of Communities

Introducing the IVMF's Community Services **Prepared for the New Mexico State Joint Committee on Veterans Affairs**



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Agenda



Understanding the Landscape



Addressing the Challenges







Partnering with the IVMF



Institute for Veterans and Military Families at Syracuse University



Mission

To empower service members, veterans, and their families through actionable research, innovative programs, and insightful analytics.

Since 2011, **150,000+** transitioning service members, veterans, and military families have been impacted by IVMF programs.

"I believe Syracuse University must once again become the best place for veterans. We have the capacity, we have the opportunity, to be the best in the world at providing opportunity and empowerment to the veterans of our armed forces and their families."

-Chancellor Syverud

Understanding the Landscape

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Complex Challenges in the Veteran Community



Access to and navigation of care and services in

communities remains an endemic issue for service members, veterans, and their families.

No single organization can effectively address

the issue of access and navigation alone and the current resource landscape can be fragmented and siloed. The solution lies in addressing comprehensive needs (i.e., social determinants of health) through an interconnected community with impact tracked start to finish.

Community Mindsets Are Shifting

In communities across the country, we're observing a change in how needs are addressed and how resources are organized and accessed



Communities are becoming more **informed consumers**

Commissioning Landscape Assessments prior to designing a strategy

Moving towards more collaborative and holistic models

Looking to measure their impact on the community

Addressing the Challenges

Addressing Comprehensive Needs



Impact of Coordinated Care



18+ Communities

IVMF's AmericaServes program is transforming community-based approaches to addressing the social determinants of health for service members, veterans, and their families across the country. Each community driven solution ensures military connected families easily and successfully navigate care, resources, and services in the place they call home.





Employment (14%)



Benefits Navigation (11%)

As of May 31, 2021

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Our Approach

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What We Do



- Review of community landscape & socioeconomic info
- Identify existing collaborations & key stakeholders

Products: Landscape report, visual maps



- Stakeholder identification & mobilization
- Identify & align strategic goals
- Develop implementation roadmap
- Establish baselines through data analytics

Products: Current state assessment, growth plan, implementation roadmap







Operations

- Identify pain-points
 & improvement
 opportunities
- Conduct client journey mapping
- Provide change & training support

Products: Journey map, training resources, train-the-trainer support

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How We Do It



Discover

Develop an understanding of the community and environment

Design

Identify a customized way forward with a community based on where they are.

Deliver

Implement and support a community-based solution

IVMF Support to New Mexico

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Our Process in Practice in New Mexico





Community Team



ANTHONY Employer Outreach



LISA Program Manager



LYNDSEY Community of Practice



VINCENT Program Manager



GILLY Evaluation & Capacity Building



MARY RACHEL Research & Evaluation Analyst

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Connect, Collaborate, Access, and Amplify



- Original Research
- Policy Analysis
- Third-Party Assessment
- Program Evaluation
- Needs Assessment
- Data Visualization



- Transition Counseling
- Vocational Assessment
- Skills-Bridge Programming
- Credentialing/Certification
- Employer Engagement
- Professional Development



- Education & Training
- Needs Assessment
- Technical Assistance
- Network Development
- Micro-Funding
- Advocacy
- Corporate Development



- Collective Impact
- Best Practice Sharing
- Provider Education
- Provider Engagement
- Network Development
- Funding Solutions





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