

Veterans Justice Outreach

Can...

- Serve Veterans of all eras
- Reach out to law enforcement, jails, pre-Trial, magistrate, and courts—And, function as a court team member
- Provide services for probation, parole, and Court-monitored Veterans; provide and Coordinate comprehensive health care
- Assess a Veteran's health care needs and identify VA and non-VA services that are best for them
- Link Veterans to VA and community services
- With Veteran consent, communicate essential information (*attendance, progress, testing, discharge plan*)

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Cannot...

- Do everything (*No Civil Cases*)
- Do criminal background checks
- Perform forensic psychiatric and/or psychological evaluations for the court
- Serve only OEF/OIF/OND Veterans
- Guarantee program acceptance
- Write lengthy court report or complete diversion paperwork
- Advocate for legislation
- Serve VHA ineligible Veterans; *except humanitarian or support services*
- Decide criminal justice criteria for Veterans Court participation or who gains admission to specialty treatment courts (MH or Drug)
- Provide Diversion Programming

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VA Butler Healthcare

... providing quality health care
to our nation's Veterans.

Our Primary Care VA Outpatient Clinics

Armstrong Co. VA Outpatient Clinic
Klingensmith Building
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Ford City, PA 16226
724-763-4090

Clarion Co. VA Outpatient Clinic
AC Valley Medical Center
855 Route 58, Ste. One
Parker, PA 16049
724-659-5601

Cranberry Twp. VA Outpatient Clinic
Freedom Square
1183 Freedom Road, Ste. A101
Cranberry Township, PA 16066
724-741-3131

Lawrence Co. VA Outpatient Clinic
Ridgewood Professional Centre
1750 New Butler Road
New Castle, PA 16101
724-598-6080

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Veterans Justice Outreach

Reaching Out
to Veterans in Need



"Justice shines by its own light."

- Cicero

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What is Veterans Justice Outreach?

Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO)

is a VA-based social work service program that works in collaboration with local law enforcement, VA police, courts, probation, and parole to provide **eligible Veterans the treatment they need** via jail reentry, post-release, or as a diversion to enhance community reintegration.

How Does Veterans Justice Outreach Work?

The process begins with identifying Veterans in the legal system. VA staff will work with the Veteran to find out if they are eligible for care. Any imprisoned Veteran that has served in the military and meets VA eligibility requirements is eligible for VJO case services.

After the Veteran is determined eligible, the needs of the Veteran will be evaluated. This includes consideration for medical, mental health care, vocational, housing, and substance abuse treatment.

If the court, probation, or parole decides to require supervised treatment instead of jail time, the VA looks at what services can be offered and then links the Veteran with VA services.

We want to get you back to where we know you can be ...

Resources & Services

VA provides and/or is able to coordinate case management, ongoing support, housing, employment and community resources and services to Justice-Involved-Veterans. A Justice-Involved-Veteran is any Veteran who has contact with either the Judicial System, Law Enforcement or the Jail System.

- Residential Programs
- Transitional Assistance
- Medical Care
- Housing Resources
- Drug & Alcohol Treatment
- Domestic Relations
- Mental Health Treatment
- Case Management
- Veterans Benefits Help
- Vet Center Information
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Compensated Work Therapy
- Job Training and Employment
- Educational Services
- Discharge Upgrades
- Reentry Support



VA understands ...
that war's pain comes home.

... The 33-year-old Veteran's readjustment to civilian life

is tormented by sudden blackouts, nightmares and severe depression caused by his time in Iraq.

Since moving to Albany last June ... [he] accidentally smashed the family minivan, attempted suicide, separated from and reunited with his wife and lost his civilian driving job.

In June ... [he] erupted in a surprisingly loud verbal outbreak, drawing police and EMTs to his home

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VA Butler Healthcare is strongly committed to the basic principle that when Veterans' non-violent offenses are products of mental illness, substance abuse, alcoholism or other associated disorders, Veterans and their communities are often better served by mental health treatment than imprisonment.