



The County Veterans Coalition of Washington and the  
Kitsap County Veterans Board and the  
Kitsap County Veterans Assistance Program

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## *Working Together Serving Those Who Served*

REGIONAL CVC VETERANS CONFERENCE

May 22nd, Kitsap Conference Center, Bremerton

**This one-day event is packed with information for those who provide services to our veterans.**

8:00 - 8:30 am *Registration*

8:30 - 8:45 am *Welcome Steve Bauer, veteran, chair of Kitsap County Board of Commissioners*

8:45 - 9:25 am *National Guard Family Program.* Lt. Col. Carol Seger. The Guard is being called up again. Updates on how the Guard's family program works, challenges in making it successful, and how you can help.

9:30-10:10 am *Warrior Transition Program.* Speaker to be announced. Everyone in the Army and National Guard in our state has to go through the Warrior Transition Brigade at Ft. Lewis when they return from a combat zone. What is it and how does it work?

10:10 - 10:25 am *Break*

10:25 - 11:05 am *Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.* Tom Schumacher, WDVA PTSD program director backgrounds us on how to recognize symptoms, how the service center system works, and how to access programs.

11:10 - 11:50 am *Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).* Ken Jarrett, VA case manager, Center for Polytrauma Care, describes symptoms of this prolific, devastating injury, where to find services, and how you can help.

12:00 - 12:45 pm *Lunch Legislative Update.* Heidi Audette, WDVA, runs us through what passed during the last legislative session and what it means to veterans in your community.

### BREAKOUT SESSIONS

#### Room A

12:45 - 1:30 pm *Jail Programs in Rural Counties.* Jerry Towne, WDVA Incarcerated Veterans Reentry Services. How to integrate a veteran reentry program into your local jail.

1:35 - 2:20 *The Good, the Bad, and the Great.* Facilitated group discussion about what works well in our local counties, what's not working, gaps in services and can we help each other.

#### Room B

12:45 - 1:30 pm *Successfully Working With the Legislature.* How the legislature works while in session, moving your bills through the system..

1:35 - 2:20 pm *Carpe Diem - Seize the Day.* Special breakout session for Veteran Advisory Boards. United should we stand, divided do we fail? Should advisory boards work together on a regional legislative strategy? If so how do we do it.

*The above subject to change.*

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**Seating is Limited! Don't Hesitate!**  
**Registration Form**

Your Name:

Mailing address:

City:

Zip:

Day time phone number and area code:

Email address:

Your organization:

If you are registering more than one person, in a cover letter please list correct spelling of all names, including yours, and the organizations they will be representing.

I am reserving \_\_\_\_\_ seats with a total payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_

The event includes continental breakfast and lunch. Paid parking is available under the conference center.

Pre-registration fee is \$40. Day of the event is \$50.

We can accept purchase orders or checks. We do not have the ability to accept credit cards for this event.

You can fax registration/purchase orders to: Kitsap County Veterans Assistance Program 360.337.5721

You can email registration/purchase orders to: lbentsen@co.kitsap.wa.us

You can mail checks to: Kitsap County Veterans Assistance Program  
614 Division Street, MS-23  
Port Orchard, WA 98366

If paying by check, please indicate the following: I have faxed/emailed registration form, please reserve me a seat. My check should arrive by \_\_\_\_\_ [not later than May 20th].

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS EVENT, CONTACT LEIF BENTSEN, 360.337.4883



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