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Public Meeting Notice & Agenda
Breakthrough Therapies for Veterans Suicide Prevention
Program Advisory Council

Illinois Department of Healthcare & Family Services (HFS)

April 25th, 2025, | 1:00 P.M. 2:30 P.M.

This meeting will be held virtually via the WebEx Platform

- **Please register to attend this meeting virtually at the following link:**
 - <https://illinois.webex.com/weblink/register/rc82335320bd969626af560b5fab179e7>
- During this brief registration your (name and email) and method of attendance will be required.
 - Once registered, WebEx will provide you access to the meeting link.
- **If attending virtually**, please join the WebEx Meeting a few minutes before the meeting starts.
 - **To join by phone:** +1-312-535-8110 (Chicago) Toll, +1-415-655-0002 US Toll
 - **Meeting Number & Access Code:** 2865 314 8347 | **Password:** VET42525

Primary Agenda

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Welcome By HFS Staff**
 - A. General Meeting Operations and Communications
- III. Roll Call of Advisory Council Members**
- IV. Introduction of HFS Staff**
- V. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes**
- VI. Process for Identifying Individuals with Lived Experience**
- VII. Process for Initiating Breakthrough Therapy Interventions**
 - A. Regulatory Status
 - B. Procurement Potential
 - C. Legislative Options
- VIII. Discussion**
- IX. Public Comments**

X. Additional Business: Old & New

A. Items for future discussion

1. Next Steps
2. Announcements
 - a. Review of Meeting Dates
 - b. Advisory Council Resources

XI. Adjournment

HFS is committed to ensuring that this VETERANS session meets the disability access needs of all participants. Please contact Melishia Bansa at hfs.boards.and.commissions@illinois.gov with any disability access requests as early as possible. Please use the following subject line in your email: **Request for Disability Support for the Breakthrough Therapies for Veterans Suicide Prevention Program Advisory Council Meeting on Friday, 25th, 2025.**

WebEx Tips

- Closed Captioning will be available during the meeting.
- We strongly suggest using the WebEx link to attend the meeting so that you will have full functionality and capabilities during the meeting.
- You may use your computer's audio or the phone option for sound; in our experience the "Call me" option has the best sound quality.
- If you are calling-in and not using the WebEx link, please email hfs.boards.and.commissions@illinois.gov **before 12:00 p.m. on Friday, April 25th, 2025.** Please use the following subject line in your email: **Request for Attendee Support for the Breakthrough Therapies for Veterans Suicide Prevention Program Advisory Council Meeting on Friday, April 25th, 2025.** You will then receive any last-minute meeting materials if applicable.
- Individuals participating through WebEx may use the "chat" function to communicate with the meeting host and/or co-host.

To Provide Public Comments, You Must Register in Advance As follows:

- To speak during the meeting, interested parties must email hfs.boards.and.commissions@illinois.gov And register **by no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 24th, 2025.**
- Please title your email correspondence with the following statement in the subject line: **Request to Provide Public Comment during the Breakthrough Therapies for Veterans Suicide Prevention Program Advisory Council Meeting on Friday, April 25th, 2025.**
- All public speakers must provide their name, title, organization name, email address and contact number when signing up to speak.
- **Speaker Requirements During the Meeting:** The Department will try to accommodate as many requests as possible, however there is limited availability for public comments. Comments must be short in length. At the Department's discretion and based upon the public comment time allotted, each speaker will be given **less than 3 minutes** to provide comments during the meeting.
- Speakers on the same subject are encouraged to collaborate and have a single spokesperson, if possible.
- Once your request has been reviewed, you will receive a confirmation email from

Melishia Bansa.

- Registrants will be provided with details of how to join the meeting to provide comments by **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 24th, 2025.**

Regarding the Submission of Written Comments:

- Additionally, interested parties may also provide written comments to the Department in lieu of speaking during the meeting.
- Comments will be read into to record by the Chair, Co-Chair or HFS administrative personnel.
- **Comment Requirements:** Comments must be short in length and **must not** exceed 3 minutes when read during the meeting.
- Please email request to provide written comments to hfs.boards.and.commissions@illinois.gov by **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 24th, 2025.**
- Please title your email correspondence with the following statement in the subject line: **Request to Provide Written Comment for the Breakthrough Therapies for Veterans Suicide Prevention Program Advisory Council meeting: on Friday, April 25th, 2025.**

Postponing the WebEx Meeting:

- If in the event of any technical errors with the Virtual WebEx platform that could impede upon the virtual operations of the meeting experience, the meeting will be postponed until further notice.
- Registered Attendees will receive an email notification informing them the meeting has been postponed until further notice.
- Registered Attendees will receive an email notification regarding the new date of the rescheduled meeting.

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