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SPEAKER/PRESENTATION INFORMATION
September 7&8, 2016
The Fawcett Center 2400 Olentangy River Road**

Title of Session/Workshop: Understanding VA Benefits

Goal of Session: Veteran benefits and services can be difficult to understand and navigate. This presentation incorporates content regarding the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and the Veterans Health Care Administration (VHA). VBA topics will cover VA income, burial and life insurance. VHA topics will cover enrollment, medical, mental health, outreach and Geriatrics and Extended Care services.

Objectives: Participants will be able to:

1. Gain an understanding of the difference between Veterans Benefits Administration and Veterans Health Care Administration
2. Have knowledge about the different types of income VA offers
3. Understand how the VA Health Care system operates
4. Learn about services the VA Health Care system offers to patients

Audiovisual equipment needed: We will have a power point to display

Handouts for session/Copying required: Yes, power point slides will be shared with you ahead of time for copying

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