

**Witness List
House Committee on Veterans' Affairs**

“Honoring the Commitment: Overcoming Barriers to Quality Mental Health Care for Veterans”

Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at 10:00 A.M.
334 Cannon House Office Building

Panel 1

M. David Rudd, Ph.D. ABPP
Dean, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
Co-Founder and Scientific Director, National Center for Veteran Studies
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Linda Spoonster Schwartz, RN, Dr.PH, FAAN
Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs
State of Connecticut

Joy J. Ilem
Deputy National Legislative Director
Disabled American Veterans

Ralph Ibson
National Policy Director
Wounded Warrior Project

Panel 2

The Honorable Robert A. Petzel, M.D.
Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration
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Accompanied by:

Dr. Mary Schohn
Director, Office of Mental Health Operations
Office of Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration
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Dr. Sonja Batten
Deputy Chief Consultant for Specialty Mental Health
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Dr. Janet Kemp
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Statement for the Record

The Department of Veterans Affairs Office of the Inspector General

The Government Accountability Office

The American Counseling Association

The American Legion

Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America

National Guard Association of the United States

National Military Family Association

Paralyzed Veterans of America

Veterans of Foreign Wars

Vietnam Veterans of America