

**Witness List**  
**Subcommittee on Health**  
**Committee on Veterans' Affairs**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**

**Health Subcommittee Legislative Hearing**

*“H.R. 785, the Representing our Seniors at VA Act of 2025; H.R. 2068, the Veterans Patient Advocacy Act; H.R. 2605, the Service Dogs Assisting Veterans (SAVES) Act; H.R. 3400, the Territorial Response and Access to Veterans' Essential Lifecare Act (TRAVEL) Act of 2025; H.R. 3855, To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit smoking on the premises of any facility of the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes; H.R. 3643, the VA Data Transparency and Trust Act; Discussion Draft: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study to determine whether RNA sequencing can be used to effectively diagnose PTSD in veterans; H.R. 3767, the Health Professionals Scholarship Program (HPSP) Improvement Act of 2025; H.R. 3726, the Fisher House Availability Act of 2025; H.R. 1404, the CHAMPVA Children's Care Protection Act; H.R. 2148, the Veteran Caregiver Reeducation, Reemployment, and Retirement Act; Discussion Draft: the VA Mental Health Outreach and Engagement Act.”*

**Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 2:15 PM EST**

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**Speaking From the Dais**

**The Honorable Greg Murphy**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
North Carolina 3rd Congressional District

**The Honorable Morgan Luttrell**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Texas 8th Congressional District

**The Honorable Jen Kiggans**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Virginia 2nd Congressional District

**The Honorable Abe Hamadeh**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Arizona 8th Congressional District

**The Honorable Kimberlyn King-Hinds**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Northern Mariana Island's at-large Congressional District

**The Honorable John McGuire**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Virginia 5th Congressional District

**The Honorable Joseph D. Morelle**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
New York 25th Congressional District

**The Honorable Nikki Budzinski**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Illinois 13th Congressional District

**Panel I**

**Dr. Antoinette V. Shappell, M.D.**  
*Deputy Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Patient Care Services*  
Veterans Health Administration  
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

*Accompanied by:*

Dr. Ilse Wiechers  
*Deputy Executive Director*  
Office of Mental Health  
Veterans Health Administration  
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

**Panel II**

**Randy Johnson**

*Constituent*

Rep. King-Hinds of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

**Cole Lyle**

*Director*

Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Division  
The American Legion

**David Coker**

*President*

Fisher House Foundation

**John Schmitt**

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