



# **STAR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROVIDERS**

Civilian Professionals. *Military Sensitivity.*

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**Service members, veterans, military family members and friends are all impacted by military life. It can present challenges that are both unique and complicated. Often we are able to work through issues on our own, but in some cases these issues can get worse. It is during these times that we should seek help from professionals who are trained in military-specific subjects, and can address the special challenges we face.**

**STAR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROVIDERS (SBHP)** is an online public registry you can use to search for behavioral health professionals in Ohio with specialized training specific to the mental health of military service members and their families.



## *About the Collaborators*

Star Behavioral Health Providers is an initiative of the Ohio National Guard, Ohio Department of Veterans Services, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, The Ohio State University, OhioCares, American Red Cross, the Military Family Research Institute at Purdue University, and the Center for Deployment Psychology.



## *About the Registry*

Star Behavioral Health Providers have an interest in caring for the emotional and behavioral health of service members, veterans and their families. Providers listed in the registry are trained and licensed to provide behavioral health services. They include Licensed Psychologists, Clinical Social Workers, Professional Clinical Counselors, Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Chemical Dependency Counselors, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners and Clinical Nurse Specialists. The providers listed in the registry have been trained in military-related topics and how to serve military personnel and their families.

### **TO ACCESS THE REGISTRY**

Please visit the SBHP website at [www.starproviders.org](http://www.starproviders.org) to access the SBHP registry. Here you can also find details about the tiers of training, as well as additional information and resources specifically for service members, veterans and their families.

### **SEARCHING FOR A PROVIDER**

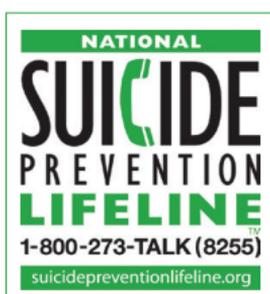
When searching for a provider it is important to consider the type of services that you are looking for and the experience and credentials of the provider. You can do a basic search by location or an advanced search by location, type of services offered, population served, and/or treatment type. As you search the registry, the level of training completed by each provider will be listed so you can make an informed decision. The registry shows training levels but does not guarantee competency. As the consumer, please consider the type of provider you want to work with and ask questions about licensure, experience, education and types of payment accepted.

If you need assistance finding a provider, please call the OhioCares resource line at 1-800-761-0868.



## *SBHP Protects Your Privacy*

The SBHP is a public registry and no identifying information is kept about database searches.



## *Are you in crisis?*

Are you feeling desperate, alone or hopeless? Call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255), a free, 24-hour hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. Your call will be

routed to the nearest crisis center to you. Call for yourself or someone you care about. It is a free and confidential network of more than 150 crisis centers nationwide.

## *Disclaimer*

Please note: The Star Behavioral Health Providers database exists to provide you a list of behavioral health providers who have received training about issues that are common to the military. The database does not replace your responsibility to do all you can to ensure that a behavioral health provider is a good match for you and your particular situation.

Star Behavioral Health Providers does not endorse, recommend, guarantee or provide any type of payment to the providers listed. It is the responsibility of the consumer to ask questions about licensure, experience, education and types of payment or insurance accepted.

SBHP does ask for proof of licensure before entering names into the registry; however, you should verify the current status of licensure at the time you enter treatment. You can verify Ohio licensure at <https://license.ohio.gov/lookup/>. Star Behavioral Health Providers makes no representation, guarantee or warranty about the quality, credentials, or services provided by any of the listed providers.