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**TO:** County Veterans Service Offices

**SUBJECT: Veterans Benefits and Services Training – Spring 2013** 

The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) is planning to provide training regarding state veterans benefits and services to CVSOs and their support staff on <u>April 9th thru April 11th, 2013</u>. The training will be held in WDVA Central Office at 201 W. Washington Ave., Madison, WI (tentative agenda attached).

WDVA asks that the CVSO offices contact WDVA no later than <u>Friday, March 8, 2013</u> to report the number of staff members that will be attending the training in order to facilitate planning for the event. Those who will not attend all three days of training should indicate which dates they will be in attendance.

Training RSVPs should be sent to the attention of Michelle Warren at michelle.warren@dva.state.wi.us or call (608) 267-0783.

For questions regarding the WDVA benefits and services training, please call 1-800-WIS-VETS (947-8387) and ask to speak with Brian Jones or David Rueth.

## Veterans Benefits, Programs and Services Training WDVA Central Office – 201 W. Washington Ave., Madison, WI (Tentative Agenda)

April 9 – 11, 2013

## **Monday, April 9, 2013:**

10:00 – 10:15:	Welcome
10:15 – 10:45:	WDVA Organizational Overview
10:45 - 11:00:	Legislative Priorities Overview
11:00 – 11:30:	Veterans Benefit Resource Center (VBRC)
11:30 – 12:00:	TBD
12:00 - 1:00:	LUNCH
1:00 - 2:00:	Suicide Prevention / QPR Training
2:00 - 2:45:	Outreach Program Overview
2:45 - 3:00:	Break
3:00 - 3:30:	Incarcerated Veterans Issues
3:30 - 4:00:	Veterans Assistance Program for Homeless Veterans
4:00 - 4:30:	Military Discharge Review
	Military Medals and Records

## Tuesday, April 10, 2013:

8:00 - 9:00:	Eligibility
9:00 – 10:30:	VBATS – Introduction Login & First Pages to Introduce System
10:30 – 10:45:	Break
10:45 – 11:00:	Military Funeral Honors Program
11:00 – 12:00:	Assistance to Needy Veterans & Retraining Grant
12:00 - 1:00:	LUNCH
1:00 - 2:00:	Wisconsin Veterans Homes
2:00 - 2:45:	Veterans Education Grant (VetEd) & Wisconsin GI Bill
2:45 - 3:00:	Break
3:00 - 4:00:	Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemeteries
4:00 - 4:30:	TBD

## Wednesday, April 11, 2013:

8:00 – 9:00:	Federal G.I. Bill Overview
9:00 - 9:45:	CVSO Grants
9:45 - 10:00:	Break
10:00 – 11:00:	Veterans Employment and Training
11:00 – 11:30:	Open for Feedback, Evaluations