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Veterans Crisis Line

Are you a Veteran in crisis or concerned about one? Your mental health is a critical component to your overall wellness.

If you are experiencing mental health challenges or suspect a family member would benefit from talking to a mental health provider, Veterans Affairs (VA) offers ways to help.

Veterans and their family members can connect with support through in-person appointments at local VA facilities, tele-health sessions and online resources.

Learn more about how you or someone you care about can find help, either in your local community or online.

www.veteranscrisisline.net



Veterans Priority of Service

New York State Department of Labor Career Centers are proud to offer Priority of Service to Veterans and eligible spouses.

If you served on Active Duty in the United States Armed Forces, we will:

- Serve you first by the next available staff member
- Give you first priority to any jobs or training opportunities for which you are qualified

For more information visit: www.labor.ny.gov

Or call: 1-888-4-NYSDOL

Experience Counts

Governor Cuomo's Experience Counts program grants Veterans credit toward state licenses for military experience. For example, Commercial Driver's License (CDL) fees can be waived for military members with recent experience driving trucks and heavy equipment during their service.

The program also recognizes certain military training as credit towards licensure for Veterans to become armed and unarmed security guards.

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CAREER PLANNING AT THE FMS WORKFORCE CAREER CENTER

Whether you are unemployed or underemployed, it can be difficult and overwhelming to decide where you need to start when looking for work. Once you register at our Center, you will meet with an employment specialist for an initial assessment. An important step of career planning is exploring occupations to learn what experience, education and skills they require and evaluating your own interests and abilities. Our staff can assist you in forming a career path by providing information on careers and conducting assessments to guide you to the right career. Some available services include:

Resource Room: offers a variety of services and resources to help job seekers find the right job and meet their career goals. These services include: information on job openings and labor market trends, career counseling, training opportunities, free workshops, and use of computers with high speed internet access, faxes, phones and copiers, as well as, resume writing, interviewing skills and application processes.

Employment Counselors: are available to work with individuals who have barriers to employment. They assist you in dealing with choice, change and adjustment in your career. Some examples may be how to best market your skills, overcome a lack of job opportunities in your field, change careers due to physical limitations, and how to look for work. Do you have something in your background that is a red flag to an employer, such as a criminal conviction? The counselor may be able to help you overcome the issues or help with learning how to work with them.

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