



Letter of Support for Reconsolidation of Traumatic Memories Protocol

The Western Montana Military Officers Association supports the request for \$3 million to begin training and treating individuals in Montana suffering from post-traumatic stress with the Reconsolidation of Traumatic Memories Protocol. This project presents a unique opportunity for Montana to address post-traumatic stress (PTS) across our state as it presents itself in various communities. The diversity of our State and the dispersion of the population call for a program such as this to begin training and equipping health care professionals and practitioners to meet the needs of our citizens who suffer from PTS.

Approximately 10% of our State is made up of Veterans and they will be beneficiaries of this program. A treatment that does not rely on medications but rather provides this unique counseling approach with such positive outcomes will be welcomed in the veteran community. Additionally, the data that is provided will help ensure the efficacy of this protocol going forward. We will be helping Montanans and helping provide crucial feedback for the continued refinement of this protocol for all suffering with PTS.

The Western Montana Military Officers Association supports this effort and encourages the legislature to provide the funding for this protocol.

Respectfully,

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