Referral To Veterans' NHS Wales

Today's Date NB: we require the veterans service number Please advise veteran this will be used to verify their service in the Armed Forces **Client Details** Referrer Details (If not GP) Name: Name: DOB: Department: NHS No: Contact No: **Ethnicity** Address: Gender: Address: **GP Details** GP Name: Okay to **Contact Details GP Surgery:** contact? Phone Yes/No Contact No: Address: Email Yes/No Yes/No Text The criteria for our service is that the client must be Has the client consented Yes / No a veteran to the referral? Are there any language / mobility / Other veteran details Yes / No disability issues we should be aware of? Service Number: Please advise veteran this will be used to verify If Yes, service in the Armed Forces please Branch of the Armed expand: Army/RAF/RN/RM/Merchant Forces Navy/TA/RN or RAF Reservist Join Date: (Year **Next of Kin Details** Acceptable) Name: Leave Date: (Year Acceptable) Relationship: **Deployed Operationally** Yes / No Contact Number: Address: Any Children? Yes/No

Childs Name	DOB	Relationship
Are there any child protection/child in need issues or concerns?	i	Yes/No
If yes please, outline the steps you ha	ave taken to promote t	he safety of the child/children.
Reason for referral, presenting pro problem; triggers; time of onset an refer to the accompanying guidance notes on	d the clients view of	
PHQ-9 Score:		
Current alcohol or illicit substance (please consider referral to substan		if this is the primary presentation)
Risk issues - self/others (if so prov	vide as much detail a	s possible)

revious psycholog	gical difficulties?	
Previous psycholog	gical input?	
Current medication	n:	
Current medication Are there any other f yes please give de	r professionals involved?	YES / NO
Are there any other	r professionals involved?	YES / NO Contact No
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Guidance Notes on completing the above referral form:

Referrals can be made for:

- 1. A comprehensive assessment of the biopsychosocial needs on an non-urgent basis
- Veterans who have served at least one day with HM Armed Forces either Regular serving member or as a Reservist
- and has/is suspected of having a mental health problem related to military service
- 2. In particular the service is aimed at:
- Veterans with Service Related mental health problems such as common mental health problems including anxiety, depression and PTSD
- and/or veterans not yet engaged with mental health services
- 3. Assessment may led to:
- Signposting to other NHS services or veteran charities or the third sector
- and/or out-patient psychological therapy with the Veteran Therapist (VT)
- **4. Following the assessment individual psychological treatment** may be offered by the VT comprising of:
- Brief (up to 16 out-patient sessions) evidence based psychological therapy in-line with NICE guidelines such as Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT), variants of Trauma Focused CBT or EMDR
- Motivational interviewing
- Stress management

Summary

 The above Psychological Therapy with the VT is appropriate for those veterans with common mental health difficulties of mild to moderate severity

In particular treatment provision is aimed at:

• Veterans with Service Related mental health problems

Veterans presenting with more **complex needs** and who are unlikely to respond to brief psychological therapy alone should be referred on to the local secondary mental health services.

Complex needs are defined as:

- Risk issues (of self or others)
- Severe depression (with suicidal ideation)
- Severe, Enduring Mental Illness such as Psychosis, Schizophrenia, Bi-polar Disorder
- Personality Disorders
- Drug/alcohol dependency

The VT can then be approached by the relevant service for case discussion, advice, or regarding appropriateness of referral to the AWVHWS prior to a referral being made. The VT can be approached to assist with networking Veterans with complex needs into other appropriate services.

If you wish you make a referral to Veterans' NHS Wales, please complete the attached referral form or complete the online version at www.veteranswales.co.uk.

Thank you for your assistance.