

MILITARY ACTIVE DUTY, RESERVE SERVICE MEMBERS, AND VETERANS

Particularly at risk are service members and veterans who have experienced combat-related injuries and conditions such as post traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury, as well as those who have been exposed to Agent Orange.

Veterans die by suicide at higher rates compared to civilians. Among veterans, pain conditions are associated with an increased risk of suicide. Certain conditions such as PTSD, depression, and anxiety are associated with an increased risk of suicide. Addressing these conditions is critical to the health and well-being of our veterans.

As a Nation, we should be doing more to address the needs of our veterans and improve the quality of life of our Nation's Veterans.

PREGNANT WOMEN

Maternal and fetal deaths account for the pregnant mother and the developing fetus.

Nearly 10% of newborns (NAS) are born with congenital anomalies.

WOMEN

Research shows that women experience more pain than men, and this is often due to differences in the way our bodies process pain. Addressing these differences is critical to the health and well-being of our women.

CHILDREN/YOUTH

Certain conditions affect 5% to 38% of children and adolescents. These include congenital diseases (e.g., cystic fibrosis, sickle cell disease), developmental disabilities (e.g., autism spectrum disorder, intellectual disability), chronic noncongenital diseases (e.g., asthma, diabetes, obesity), and mental health conditions (e.g., anxiety, depression, PTSD). Addressing these conditions is critical to the health and well-being of our children and youth.

CONCLUSION

Conclusions are drawn from the findings of the inter-agency task force. The task force has identified key areas for improvement and has provided recommendations to address these areas. The task force has also identified key areas for improvement and has provided recommendations to address these areas.