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Supporting Military Families: Services and Resources for Active Duty and Veteran Fathers

Presenter Bios

Jennifer M. DiNallo, Ph.D., Director of Research, Clearinghouse for Military Family Readiness at Penn State

Jennifer has been a part of the Clearinghouse for Military Family Readiness team since 2010. During this time, she has led the development, implementation, and evaluation of several programs and projects for military families, including the THRIVE parenting initiative and the Resource Center for Obesity Prevention. Jennifer's research interests include the impact of health promotion behaviors on obesity outcomes, with an emphasis on parent-focused health promotion interventions. After earning a B.S. in Exercise Physiology from West Chester University in 1995, and before earning an M.E. in Exercise Physiology at East Carolina University in 2000, she worked for the U.S. Marine Corps as a civilian certified fitness instructor and personal trainer at Camp Lejeune, NC. For Jennifer, her work is more than a job; she is on a mission to promote healthy behaviors by example and through her work at the Clearinghouse at Penn State. She approaches each day as a balance of family time, work time, and physical activities that include trail running, cycling, and group fitness instruction.

Katrina R. Johnson, EMBA, President/CEO, Horizon Outreach

Katrina founded Horizon Outreach, a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization, in February 2010 with the mission of "Giving Everyone A New Start." Services provided include employment and workforce development; re-entry support; housing assistance; and fatherhood and parenting education. Since 2010, Horizon Outreach has connected over 4,500 individuals and families (2,000 were military families) to resources and supportive services and secured over eight million dollars in funding, with plans underway to build a campus that will provide housing and support services for families. Katrina is a veteran of the United States Air Force, an Executive MBA graduate of Auburn University, and she also spent 17 years in the oil and gas industry as a Senior Finance Analyst managing large multi-million dollar projects. She is actively involved in the community, serving as an Advisory Board Member for Fortis Institute and other non-profit boards, as well as spending numerous hours supporting homeless and veterans' initiatives.

Daniel Romero, Senior Program Director, Social Advocates for Youth (SAY) San Diego.

Daniel has worked within the nonprofit sector in San Diego for 12 years. He has overseen SAY San Diego's military-focused programs, including the "Dads Corps," initiative for military fathers, since October 2016. He first became involved with this work while in graduate school, when he connected with the San Diego Military Family Collaborative, an initiative led by SAY to support military families through sharing of community resources and information. Daniel has served as an AmeriCorps member giving back to low-income neighborhoods through community development with an emphasis on bilingual programs, afterschool education/tutoring programs, financial stability programs, youth-focused programs, and STEM education; worked with Latino, African-American, and Refugee families; and provided workforce development support for youth and adults by utilizing technology to enhance their opportunities for upward mobility. He is a graduate of University of California, Santa Barbara, with a double-major in Political Science and Spanish, and has a Masters in Nonprofit Leadership and Management from the University of San Diego.

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