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## Hudson Valley Task Force Meeting

Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, @ 9:00 AM- 11:00 AM

Zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83692101829?pwd=9E8jjDEcQE5qPonk6vaiWpm7WhaqwD.1>

**Facilitated by:** Mental Health Association in Orange County, inc, Orange County Vet2Vet  
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### Guest Speakers/Topics of Discussion:

- **HERoes Indeed**
  - Kristen Courage
- **American Lung Association**
  - Ruth Pollak, [Ruth.Pollak@Lung.org](mailto:Ruth.Pollak@Lung.org)
- **VA Hudson Valley Animal Therapy**
  - Karen Shogren
  - Linda Dossantos
  
- **What's Happening at VA Health Care- Updates:**
  - Hudson Valley VA Health Care
    - Montrose and Castle Campus
  - Dawn.Schaal (Director VA Hudson Valley HCS)- [dawn.schaal@va.gov](mailto:dawn.schaal@va.gov)
  - Lenox Okall (MPA, USMC (RET), Outreach Coordinator VA Hudson Valley HCS)- [Lenox.Okall@va.gov](mailto:Lenox.Okall@va.gov)
  
- **Veterans in crisis**
  - WestCOP SSVF Program- Hudson Valley County Homeless Numbers
  
- **NY State Pfc Joseph P Dwyer Peer Project**
  - Hudson Valley Dwyer Program Spotlight
    - Vet2Vet of Dutchess County
    - PFC Joseph P Dwyer Vet 2 Vet in Putnam
    - Rockland County Joseph P. Dwyer Veteran Peer Support Program
    - Vet2Vet of Sullivan County
    - Vet2Vet of Ulster County
    - Vet2Vet of Greene County
    - Vet2Vet of Orange County



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- **Community Spotlight:**
    - What are you doing/ How can the community support your organization?
  - **Next Meeting date and Hosting County (Include this in every month's agenda):**
    - **Wednesday, March 13 2024, @ 9:00am, hosted by Sullivan County**
  - **2023 Task Force Hosting Schedule (Include this in every month's agenda):**
    - **March: Sullivan**
    - **April: Ulster**
    - **May: Dutchess**
    - **June: Putnam**
    - **July: Rockland**
    - **August: Greene**
    - **September: Orange**
    - **October: Sullivan**
    - **November: Ulster**
    - **December: Dutchess**