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P.A.W.S. with the National PTSD Service Association

Webinar to inform veterans with PTSD about the Puppies Assisting Wounded servicemembers (P.A.W.S.) Act of 2019

Sarasota, FL– January 10, 2021– On Thursday, January 21 at 1 p.m., the National PTSD Service Association (NPSA) will present a ten-minute webinar on Puppies Assisting Wounded Servicemembers (P.A.W.S.) Act of 2019.

Webinar host Dolly Hiller, NPSA's Director of Public Relations, will share NPSA's commitment to qualified veterans with PTSD by supporting the P.A.W.S. Act of 2019. The webinar will also include the best service dog breeds and highlight NPSA's services and training facilities.

On average, 10 to 20% of post-deployment PTSD prevalence has been reported in US veterans (2020, Cohen). Veterans returning from combat have a higher risk of suicide than non-veteran adults (2019, Holey). The P.A.W.S. Act of 2019 was created to provide funding for veterans in need of service dogs.

"The National PTSD Service Association supports the P.A.W.S. Act of 2019 by providing financial assistance and grants to qualified veterans," says Ms. Hiller. "We hope webinar attendees learn about their options and about how our organization can match qualified veterans with trained service dogs to fit their emotional and physical needs. NPSA is dedicated to empowering our vets to return to life with confidence and independence."

Don't delay, invite your veteran buddies! Be the first to sign up for the webinar, visit <https://www.smore.com/1xgpd>.

For more information about the programs offered at the National PTSD Service Association, our YouTube promotional **video** provides many details (https://youtu.be/gjwWvJHfD_E). You can also visit our **Facebook, Instagram, Twitter** pages, or NationalPTSDServiceAssociation.org.

The National PTSD Service Association is a Sarasota, Florida-based non-profit 501(c)(3) organization providing service dogs to qualified military veterans. Founded in 2014, the NPSA has expanded outreach efforts to veterans with Post Traumatic Disorder (PTSD) throughout southwest Florida, specifically from Charlotte County to Hillsborough County. Please contact Sandra LaFlamme by email if you have questions: info@NationalPTSDServiceAssociation.org or call 941-961-5069.

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