

VET-TO-VET FIDELITY SCALE – Moe version

For each question, please check the response that best describes the program, considering only the LAST MONTH in your decision.

In the last month.....

1. Meetings are held in locations where other VA mental health services are located.

_____meetings are always held in locations where no VA mental health services are offered (1)

_____meetings are held in locations where other VA mental health services are offered (3)

_____all meetings are held in locations where other VA mental health services are offered (5)

2. Meetings are run by Peer Facilitators without staff involvement.

_____staff members are involved in leading all meetings (1)

_____staff members sometimes lead meetings with PFs (3)

_____all of the meetings are run exclusively by PFs (5)

3. Each meeting is led by 2 facilitators.

_____no meetings are led by 2 facilitators (1)

_____some meetings are led by 2 facilitators (3)

_____all meetings are led by 2 facilitators (5)

4. The format of each meeting is “read & discuss” (except for Writers’ meeting).

_____no meetings are in “read & discuss” format (1)

_____some meetings are in “read & discuss” format (3)

_____all meetings are in “read & discuss” format (except for Writer’s meeting) (5)

5. Meetings last 45 minutes.

_____Scheduled meeting length is less than 30 minutes or more than 60 minutes (1)

_____Scheduled meeting length is not 45 minutes, but is between 30-60 minutes long (3)

_____Scheduled meeting length is 45 minutes (5)

In the last month.....

6. Each meeting follows the Vet-to-Vet meeting protocol (described in the Peer Facilitator Rating Scale):

1. PFs arrive early and set up meeting room
2. PFs and participants introduce themselves
3. A statement about confidentiality is made
4. The meeting topic is introduced
5. Reading materials are distributed
6. Group ends on time
7. PFs stay after group to talk with participants

_____ meetings do not follow the meeting protocol (1)

_____ some meetings follow the meeting protocol, or some elements of the meeting protocol (3)

_____ all (or most) meetings follow the meeting protocol (5)

7. There are five specific meeting topics offered in the Vet-to-Vet program:

1. Disability Awareness, Disability Pride
2. Mental Illness Anonymous
3. Wellness
4. Writers' Group
5. Recovery Workshop

_____ there are no specific meeting topics, or none of the above are topics (1)

_____ fewer than 5 of the above are offered each week (3)

_____ 5 of these are offered each week (5)

8. Vet-to-Vet meetings are held at least five days per week.

On how many days per week are there regularly scheduled Vet-to-Vet meetings? _____

(write number in blank above)

In the last month.....

9. Each of the meetings has a designated, approved text that is used as the primary text for that meeting (except Writer's Group).

_____ None of the groups use an appropriate primary text (1)

_____ some groups use an appropriate primary text (3)

_____ all groups use an appropriate primary text (5)

10. Vet-to-Vet Peer Facilitators are offered financial compensation for their work.

_____ PFs are not paid (1)

_____ some PFs are paid, but not all (3)

_____ PFs at this site are all paid (5)

11. Clinical supervision is provided to Peer Facilitators by a senior staff person who has additional supervisory responsibilities (e.g., program director, service chief, Local Recovery Coordinator).

_____ Supervisor is not a staff person or there is no supervision (1)

_____ Supervisor is a staff person BUT not a senior staff member (3)

_____ Supervisor is a senior staff person (5)

12. Peer Facilitators attend at least one clinical supervision meeting each week.

_____ In the past 4 weeks, the PFs have not had supervision(1)

_____ In the past 4 weeks, the PFs have had supervision 1-3 times (3)

_____ In the past 4 weeks, the PFs have had supervision \geq 4 times (5)

In the last month (or the last time new PFs were nominated and/or trained)...

13. New PFs are nominated by their peers.

_____ Staff has full responsibility for nominating new PFs (1)

_____ Staff has ultimate responsibility for nominating new PFs, but input from peers is solicited (3)

_____ New potential PFs are nominated entirely by peers (5)

14. New Peer Facilitators participate in a formal training program before running meetings.

_____ there is no training program for new PFs (1)

_____ there is some training, but it is not mandatory (3)

_____ all new PFs participate in training prior to running meetings (5)

15. Both staff and Peer Facilitators participate in the training of new Peer Facilitators (both formal and informal training).

_____ there is no training (1)

_____ either staff or current PFs have full responsibility for training new PFs (3)

_____ staff and PFs both train new PFs (5)

16. There are enough Peer Facilitators.

There are currently _____ active Peer Facilitators?
(write number in blank above)

in the last month.....

17. Weekly attendance numbers are routinely tracked (but need not include personal identifiers).

_____ attendance is not tracked (1)

_____ attendance is sometimes tracked (3)

_____ attendance is always tracked (5)

18. Participation in Vet-to-Vet is voluntary.

_____ some veterans are required to participate by a clinician or mental health program (1)

_____ participation is completely voluntary (5)

19. Peer Facilitators are aware of and use the Vet-to-Vet Manual and the Peer Facilitator Rating Scale (PFRS).

_____ PFs are unaware of the Vet-to-Vet Manual and the PFRS (1)

_____ PFs sometimes use the Vet-to-Vet Manual and/or the PFRS (3)

_____ PFs use both the Vet-to-Vet Manual and the PFRS regularly (5)