



Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Research at the Madison VA



The Madison VA is committed to finding better ways to diagnose and treat Veterans with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

Some of the current projects underway include:

1. **Prazosin & Combat Trauma**: Investigating the potential benefit of taking Prazosin to alleviate combat-related nightmares and improve PTSD symptoms.
2. **Quetiapine as an Additional Treatment for PTSD**: Study to determine if taking Quetiapine in addition to a current antidepressant will reduce the symptoms of PTSD.
 - a. **Quetiapine and Changes in the Brain**: An MRI study to determine if taking Quetiapine has a positive effect on the Hippocampal portion of the brain, thereby reducing PTSD symptoms.
3. **Effect of Cognitive Processing Therapy Delivered Face-to-Face vs. via Telemental Health**: Investigating what effect (if any) the method of CPT delivery has on therapy outcome.
4. **Smoking and PTSD**: A study to determine why those with PTSD tend to smoke more than those who don't have PTSD by studying the effect (if any) nicotine has on positive/negative mood in Veterans.

**If you are interested in participating in one of the above studies,
please contact Jamie Swanlund at (608) 256-1901 Ext. 11405**

