

Military Family Transitions in the Next Decade

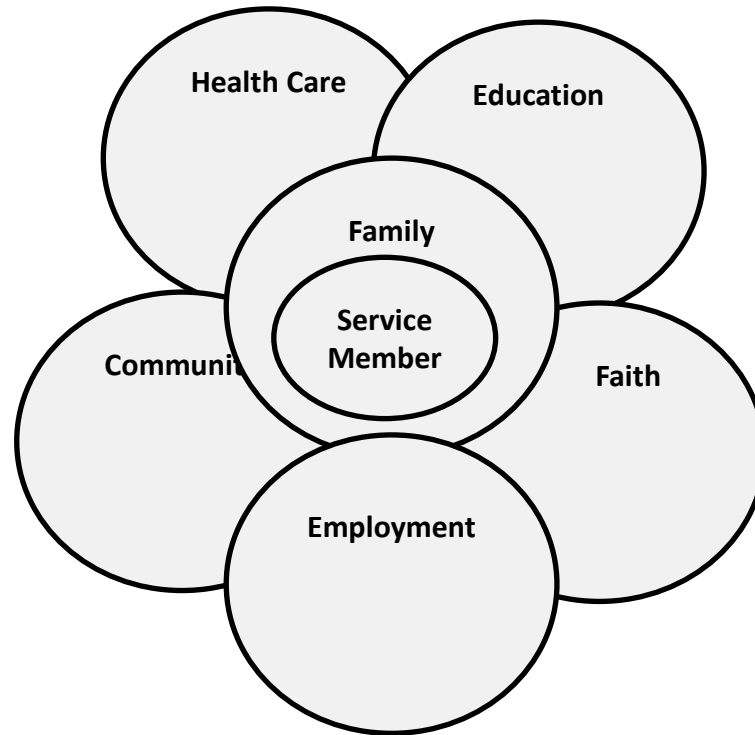
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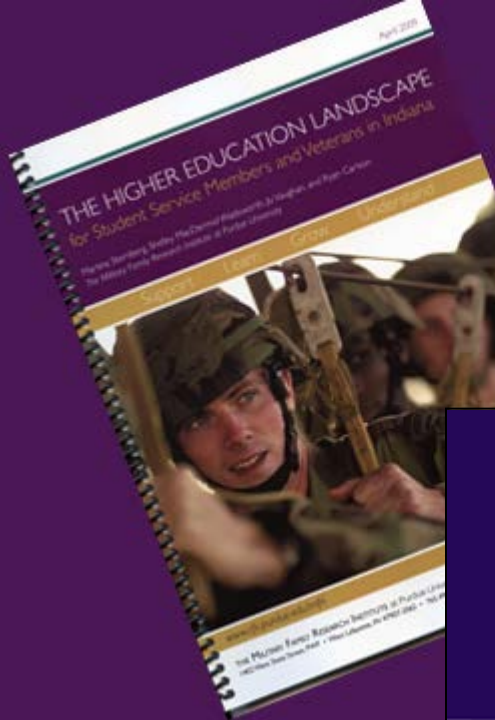


Making a Difference for Families Who Serve

- Supporting military communities in their efforts to support military families
- Strengthening the motivation and capacity of civilian communities to support military and veteran families
- Generating important new knowledge about military and veteran families
- Influencing relevant programs, policies and practices
- Growing and sustaining a vibrant learning organization

Service Members, Veterans and their Families are Embedded Within Interlocking Systems





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Many service members and veterans are students in institutions of higher education, and GI Bill benefits make it possible for them to enter or re-enter college or university. Federal statutes and military enlistment

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How to Help Military Families

The needs of military and veteran families are evolving

- Individuals:
 - Growing understanding of mind-body interactions.
- Families:
 - Continuing to diversify – marriages delayed and diverted. Childbearing moving later. New family forms.
 - Psychological and medical problems yet to come; long-term implications for caregiving.
 - Growing understanding of family resilience and vulnerability.
- Communities:
 - Military and veteran families receding from the minds of the public.
 - Continuing and expanding need for family-focused systems of care; integration of military and civilian systems.
- Science:
 - Trajectories, levels, and contexts



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