VTC Acronyms

VTC, Veteran Treatment Court

MRT, Moral Reconation Therapy, is a systematic treatment strategy that seeks to decrease recidivism among juvenile and adult criminal offenders by increasing moral reasoning. Its cognitive-behavioral approach combines elements from a variety of psychological traditions to progressively address ego, social, moral, and positive behavioral growth.

DBT, Dialectical Behavior Therapy, therapy designed to help people change patterns of behavior that are not helpful, such as self-harm, suicidal thinking, and substance abuse.

SSDI, Social Security Disability Insurance

VJO, Veteran Justice Outreach Specialist, VA employee (licensed clinical social worker, LCSW) who acts as the liaison between VTCs, local jails and VA to ensure Veterans receive their VA benefits.

TRP, Trauma Recovery Program, the program focuses on reliving traumatic experiences and learning how to cope with them.

EMDR, Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing, approaches psychological issues in an unusual way. It does not rely on talk therapy or [medications](http://www.webmd.com/drugs/index-drugs.aspx). Instead, EMDR uses a patient's own rapid, rhythmic [eye](http://www.webmd.com/eye-health/ss/slideshow-eye-conditions-overview) movements. These [eye](http://www.webmd.com/eye-health/eye-assessment/default.htm) movements dampen the power of emotionally charged memories of past traumatic events.

PTSD, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

TBI, Traumatic Brain Injury

MST, Military Sexual Trauma

HUD VASH, Housing Urban Development, Veteran Supportive Housing

VOC REHAB, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment

Bravo Victor Fund, Non-profit fund supporting the VTC.

CWT, Compensated Work Therapy, a national vocational program comprised of three unique programs which assist homeless Veterans in returning to competitive employment: Sheltered Workshop, Transitional Work, and Supported Employment. Veterans in CWT are paid at least the federal or state minimum wage, whichever is higher.

CBT, Cognitive Behavior Therapy, non-medicated behavioral therapy.

SATB Aftercare, Substance Abuse and Treatment Branch.  SATB coordinates screening, assessment and referral services for offenders identified with or presenting mental health signs and symptoms.

Certified Peer Specialist, VA personnel designed to assist mentally wounded warriors cope with their PTSD, TBI, MST

Peachstone, Cobb County senior living community who is housing our Mentees. Our Mentees discovered the housing resource.

Gateway, Atlanta homeless shelter

Ambassador Training, VA CWT program, serves as a greeter

HOPE Atlanta, homeless shelter resource provider, capable of providing grant

DeKalb CSP, non-VA, County Service Board.  Public, nonprofit treatment provider of community-based behavioral health and developmental disability services located in DeKalb County, Georgia. Cobb County also has a CSB.

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