

# WARFIGHTER ADVANCE

WHERE WARFIGHTERS COME FOR REAL ANSWERS.

EVOLUTION

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**Our goal is the successful reintegration of every warfighter.** The ADVANCE 7-Day is a unique program that offers a solution for operational stress, psychological trauma, and reintegration issues while keeping veteran's careers on track. Our program is available to active duty, reserve, veteran, and retired military personnel, as well as first responders. We accept military personnel from any conflict, operation, or branch, and all expenses are 100% covered.

## TERRY SMITH

AE1(AW)/USN/RET, FLORIDA



When I arrived at Warfighter Advance, I was completely broken. I had no connection whatsoever with who I used to be. I had to be given a wheelchair because I was an alcoholic and my withdrawal symptoms were so bad I couldn't stand on my own. I feared being ostracized. Over the course of 7 days my ability to stand and walk on my own returned. I even got motivated enough that 3+ weeks later I still haven't taken a drink. I was encouraged by staff and my fellow participants who I now call family and my life has taken on an entirely new trajectory. It almost seems like the last 12 years never happened and I actually look forward to what tomorrow will bring my way. Attending for EVO 35 was the best decision I've made since leaving service in 2012.

## GERMÁN RIVERA-CABALLERO

SGT/USA/RET, PUERTO RICO



From the welcome we received, to the last "see you later", Warfighter Advance made me feel at home. Sharing with my veteran brothers and sisters during these 7 days made me feel relevant again. Warfighter Advance is a unique veterans program, after many years of medications, therapies and other unhealthy alternatives to cope with all my physical "ills", but especially the emotional ones, they opened my eyes to understand that the evil suffered in the service is surmountable and that the real mistake is in seeking the easiest and least safe and healthy paths, both for ourselves and for the important people in our lives. Thank you Warfighter Advance, thank you Dr. Vieten, thank you, thank you, thank you... now I can appreciate new horizons in my future and those of my loved ones.

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