

Half of Iraq and Afghanistan war vets in U.S. not receiving mental healthcare



Washington, March 1 (RHC)-- A new study finds roughly half of all U.S. veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan need mental healthcare -- but aren't getting it.

The congressionally mandated report by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine finds staffing shortages and bureaucracy at the VA leaves many vets unable to find treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse and depression.

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs recently reported about 20 U.S. veterans commit suicide each day.

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