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**Media Advisory:**

**Second Lady Karen Pence Visit to Mecklenburg County’s Collaborative for the**

**Governor’s & Mayor’s Challenges to Prevent Suicide Among Service Members, Veterans, and their Families**

**WHAT**: Roundtable on the Veteran Suicide Prevention Working Group in Mecklenburg County

**WHO:** Second Lady Karen Pence, Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, Dr. Elinore McCance-Katz

**WHEN**: Tuesday, August 11th
Media call for SAMHSA Roundtable: 1:15 p.m.

**Roundtable: 2:15 p.m.**

**WHERE**: Address and further details will be sent upon RSVP.

**Media RSVP:**
**Media must RSVP to** mediaRSVP@ovp.eop.gov**by 5:00 PM EDT**
Full Name:
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CHARLOTTE—(August 10, 2020) On Tuesday, August 11, Second Lady Karen Pence, joined by Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, Dr. Elinore McCance-Katz, will visit Charlotte, North Carolina.

There, they will participate in a Veteran Suicide Prevention Roundtable with Congressman Dan Bishop and organizations that participate in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Governor’s & Mayor’s Challenges to Prevent Suicide Among Service Members, Veterans, and their Families.  Mrs. Pence will hear how the different organizations are working together to implement the SAMHSA challenge. To learn more about the challenge, click [here](https://www.samhsa.gov/smvf-ta-center/mayors-governors-challenges).

**About Veterans Bridge Home**

*Veterans Bridge Home connects Veterans and their families, in any state of transition, to the community. Through our network of partners, we help Veterans navigate employment, create social connections, and settle their families. We look at the whole Veteran and connect them to the resources needed to be successful and thriving leaders in our community. For more information about our mission and what we do, visit* [www.veteransbridgehome.org](http://www.veteransbridgehome.org).