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Evidence Tables**

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Koons, 2001 (153)	Yes	Sample of women meeting criteria for borderline personality disorder (BPD) from the Women Veterans Comprehensive Health Center at the Durham VA Medical Center or from other veterans' centers or medical sites in NC	20 women with borderline personality disorder	Experimental Study	BPD and anxiety disorder sections of the Structured Clinical Interview – DSM-III-R; other psychiatric symptoms; parasuicidal behavior; suicidal ideation and hopelessness; mood and emotion measures; dissociation; health care utilization	Evaluated outcomes for patients with borderline personality disorder randomized to dialectical behavior therapy compared to those with treatment as usual. Patients enrolled in dialectical behavior therapy demonstrated significant decreases in number of para-suicidal acts, anger experienced and dissociation. There was a trend to decreased hospitalizations but this was not statistically significant. Both groups experienced decreases in depressive symptoms and borderline behavior patterns.
Leon, 1990 (70)	Yes	Sample of Vietnam theater and era nurses recruited from various sources, most from the Midwest	36 Vietnam theater and 32 Vietnam era nurses	All Other Observational	Professional preparation and nursing duties in Vietnam; cognitive or behavioral coping strategies; traumatic experiences; pre and post-Vietnam adjustment; personality inventory; coping inventory; impact of event scale	Evaluated coping patterns of Vietnam nurses and their effect on their psychological functioning. Coping patterns that included expressing feelings, seeking emotional support and trying to find meaning in traumatic events were associated with good current psychological functioning. Self-blame, anxious thoughts and withdrawal at the tie of stressful encounters were associated with poorer current functioning. There were no significant differences between the two groups.

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Wolfe, 1993 (71)	Yes	Sample of women serving during Vietnam: theater veterans, era veterans and theater civilians, contacted in 1990	202 women: 147 Vietnam theater veterans; 32 era veterans; 23 theater civilians	All Other Observational	Wartime stressor scale; PTSD symptomatology; personality inventory; psychological symptoms	Evaluated the test characteristics of the Women's Wartime Stressor Scale (WWSS). Found that the WWSS had good discriminant qualities with significant differences among the three groups on various items in the scale, correlating with their exposures to wartime stress.