



AMERICANS FOR IBOGAINE

Dear Members of the Vermont National Guard and Veterans Affairs Legislative Caucus,

We write to you as veterans who have seen firsthand the cost of untreated trauma—and the healing that is possible when new, evidence-based options are made available. We are part of a nationwide coalition with **Americans for Ibogaine**, uniting clinicians, researchers, and advocates to promote science-based awareness and reduce stigma around ibogaine therapy. Through education, policy engagement, and community partnerships, we strive to expand safe and legal access to medically supervised care.

Many of us have personally benefited from ibogaine therapy, or have witnessed fellow veterans experience meaningful relief from PTSD, depression, traumatic brain injuries, and other service-related harm after years of unsuccessful conventional treatment. Ibogaine has helped restore quality of life, sense of purpose, connection, and the ability to show up for our families and communities.

Vermont has a strong tradition of listening to veterans and leading with compassion and science-informed policy. Your NGVA caucus has a track record of successful advocacy for the financial and social well-being of veterans and service members. As research continues to confirm the broad therapeutic potential of psychedelic-assisted care, we believe Vermont is well positioned to take responsible action at this pivotal moment in history.

The **Vermont Psychedelic Therapy Advisory Working Group Final Report** recommended extension of "the current working group with the expansion of participants to monitor the evolution of research and programs across the country and to facilitate the ability to research psychedelic therapies in Vermont." As the **Texas consortium** moves forward with clinical trials, Vermont has the opportunity to join this nationwide effort to expand safe access to life-changing treatment.

We respectfully urge you to:

- individually prioritize creating access to psychedelic therapy in Vermont with an emphasis on ibogaine research and medical development—not only for service members and veterans, but also for our families and neighbors who share similar struggles;





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- help elevate veteran and service member voices by creating opportunities for legislators to hear directly from those whose lives have been changed by ibogaine;
- co-sponsor the attached legislation that we are working on with your fellow caucus member Rep. Brian Cina—an act relating to psychedelic therapy and FDA-approved ibogaine drug development—which seeks to establish a thoughtful, regulated framework for psychedelic-assisted therapy in Vermont;
- collectively consider making this issue a caucus priority.

With your leadership, Vermont can become the 14th state to join the Texas consortium and act boldly in support of veteran mental health and innovative healing solutions.

Thank you for your continued commitment to those who serve and have served.

Respectfully,

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Rick Perry — Veteran U.S. Air Force; 47th Governor of Texas; 14th U.S. Secretary of Energy; Co-Founder & Chairman of the Board, Americans for Ibogaine

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