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Montana VA hosts Veterans Town Hall, Health Fair in Helena, Nov. 3

Helena, Mont. – The next Veterans Town Hall hosted by the Department of Veterans Affairs will be in Helena, Nov. 3.

The VA will be using a new Health Fair format for the event with a focus on front line staff and managers answering questions Veterans and their family members in the Helena area might have about eligibility and services.

Local community providers are also invited to attend and learn more about providing healthcare services to Veterans enrolled in the VA health care system.

Hosted by the VA Montana Health Care System and the Fort Harrison Regional Benefit Office, the event will be held at the Lewis & Clark County Public Library in the large community room. Doors open at 6:00pm. Opening remarks begin at 6:30pm. The event ends at 8:30pm.

The meeting is open to all members of the public, including Veterans Service Organizations and other Veteran advocates.

VA Montana healthcare staff will be available to discuss a wide variety of topics including: eligibility & enrollment, mental health, community care, women's health, and pain management.

The Fort Harrison VA human resources office will also be on hand to provide information and answer questions about employment at the VA including clinical and administrative positions.

Additionally, local Veterans Benefits staff will be available to answer questions related to many of the VA benefits available to eligible Veterans.

Representatives from the local Joining Community Forces initiative, Montana Dept. of Public Health & Human Services and the Montana Dept. of Administration have also been invited to participate and provide information about their Veteran services & programs.

The VA Montana Health Care System manages the health care, in whole or in part, of over 47,000 enrolled Veterans across Montana and provides a VA presence in every major city in the state through eleven community based clinics, two telehealth outreach clinic, the Miles City community living center, the Billings Health Care Center, and the Fort Harrison acute care medical center.

The Fort Harrison Regional Benefit Office is one of 56 around the country which provides a wide array of financial benefits to eligible Veterans and their families, such as disability compensation for service-related injuries or illnesses, income-based pension for wartime Veterans and their survivors, education, vocational rehab & employment, home loan, and life insurance benefits.

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