

Veteran Focus

August 2012



Announcements

KCVA has been approved for a new community clinic in Johnson County, KS. Our clinic was one of 13 new clinics recently announced by Secretary Shinseki. The clinic is scheduled for activation in 2013.

Our Radiation Oncology center in Overland Park, KS is **now open** and is delivering radiation therapy to patients requiring the treatment. Dr. Eashwer Reddy is the Chief Radiation Oncologist.

KCVA is excited to bring the Mobile Medical Unit to Bolivar, Carrollton, and Trenton.

To better serve our Veterans we have adjusted our schedule. The MMU will travel to Bolivar and Carrollton every other week for the next three months.

For more information: 800-525-1483 or www.kansascity.va.gov
Click on "Mobile Medical Unit"

...Flu Shots are coming in September 10th! Stay tuned...

KCVA EVENTS

Penny Mill Community Empowerment Fair

8/26/12 – 9:00am to 4:00pm
Blue Valley Park
23rd and Topping, Kansas City, MO

Veterans Benefits Fair

9/8/12 – 10:00am to Noon
American Legion
5 Delaware St. , Paola, KS

Job Fair and Resource Expo

9/18/12 – 9:00am to 1:00pm
Event exclusive to Veterans from 9:00am – 10:00am
Jack Reardon Convention Center - Wyandotte Room - 520
Minnesota Ave, KCK, 66101

Veterans Benefits Fair

9/22/12 – 10:00am to Noon
VFW/American Legion Post
1400 Washington, Chillicothe, MO

Did You Know?

If you have had chickenpox, you can get **Shingles**.

- There are more than 1 million cases of shingles each year.
- 1 in 3 people will get shingles in their life time.
- So if you are 60 or older, talk to your provider about the vaccine.

You can also request information from the Learning Center.
Call 816-922-2321
or stop by M1-315.

Medical Foster Homes Coming to KCVA Soon!

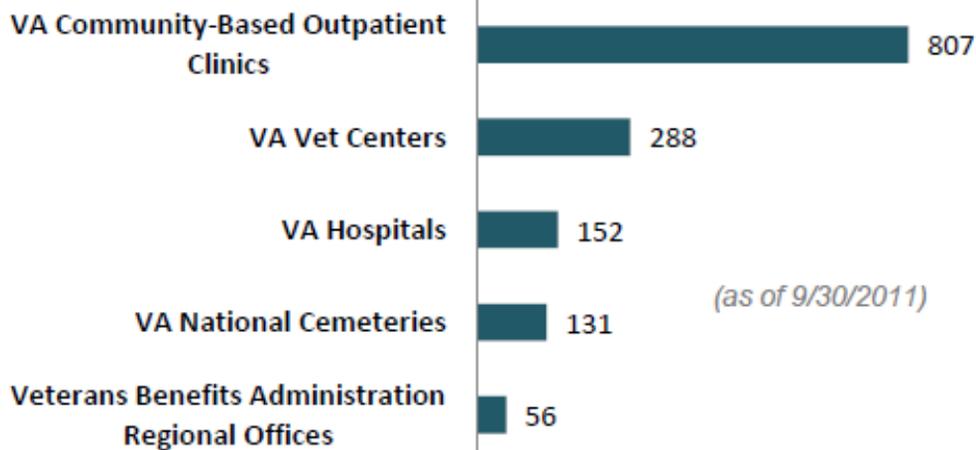
Medical Foster Homes are private homes in which a trained caregiver provides services to a few individuals. A Medical Foster Home can serve as an alternative to a nursing home. It may be appropriate for Veterans who need nursing home care but prefer a non-institutional setting with fewer residents. Veterans will receive Home Based Primary Care services in the Medical Foster Home. The cost for a Medical Foster Home is based on the Veterans income and the level of care. For more information on Medical Foster home and other Extended Care programs, visit www.va.gov/geriatrics.

New Honor Annex is a Home Run!

On July 7th KCVA hosted a “reveal” of the new outpatient clinic, the Honor Annex. The event was in conjunction with All Star Baseball week. Major League Baseball and the Kansas City Royals volunteered time and donated money to make renovations and improvements on our new space. Some of the improvements include baseball themed children’s play areas and a healing garden. Volunteers and leadership from KCVA worked with representatives from Major League Baseball (MLB) and the Royals to complete the project that started in June.

VA Facts

Number of VA Facilities



Kansas City VA Medical Center

816-861-4700

www.kansascity.va.gov

Veterans Crisis Line

1-800-273-8255



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