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Over 200 Women Veterans Expected at VA Medical Center's "Ladies' Night" Event

WASHINGTON, DC – On November 16, the Washington DC VA Medical Center (DCVAMC) will welcome women Veterans from all eras to a gala "Ladies' Night" event. This is the third year DCVAMC has hosted this well-received outreach event created especially for women Veterans.

The Veterans will have the opportunity to learn about the many services provided at the Medical Center and its five Community Based Outpatient Clinics located throughout the Washington, DC metro area.

The evening's festivities will include musical entertainment, a gourmet reception complete with cooking demonstrations, and craft classes. There will also be a variety of health information stations including: nutrition and weight loss, trauma services and combat Veteran services as well as preventative health, skin cancer, HIV and mental health screenings. VA health and benefits information will be provided along with flu shots, massage, acupuncture, and stress-reducing therapies.

Women are the fastest growing group among Veterans and the Medical Center currently has over 15,000 women enrolled for care. This figure will continue to rise as women now make up over 13% of OEF/OIF/OND (Iraq and Afghanistan era) Veterans.

"Ladies' Night is a blast," said Diane Phillips, the Medical Center's Patient-Centered Care Coordinator. "It gives women Veterans a chance to see first-hand all the improvements the hospital has made in creating a comforting and welcoming environment for women."

"Ladies' Night" will be held at the VA Medical Center on 50 Irving St. NW in Washington DC, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. All women Veterans and active duty service members are invited to attend. Admission is free.

Women Veterans who would like to participate are encouraged to RSVP to the Patient-Centered Care Office via email: Woman.veteran@va.gov. Members of the media who wish to cover the event may contact the Office of Public Affairs, 202-745-4037.

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