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June 3, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Outreach Event With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Friday, June 10
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Where:** Thriftway Supermarket
318 W. Main Street
Linn, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
- Meet Vet Center staff members
 - Learn more about Vet Centers
 - Learn about the 40 foot Mobile Vet Center, which is used for national emergencies, medical aid to remote regions and outreach for the Vet Center program
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- When:** Wednesday, June 8
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart
94 Cecil Street
Camdenton, Mo.
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May 24, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Truman VA Hospital to Conduct June 10 Town Hall Event *Community Care including Veterans Choice Program will be addressed*

- Who:** Veterans and their families, other stakeholders including congressional staff, Veteran Service Organizations, community partners
- What:** Town Hall events allow and enhance feedback from Veterans and their families concerning health care and other VA benefits. Non-VA Community Care including the Veterans Choice Program will be addressed.
- When:** 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Friday, June 10
- Where:** Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital
800 Hospital Drive
Columbia, Mo.
Second Floor Auditorium
- Why:** Secretary of Veterans Affairs Robert A. McDonald has directed all VA health care and benefits facilities to conduct quarterly town hall events. The goal of each event is "to listen and learn from those who use" the VA healthcare system. In addition, questions about financial benefits will be addressed by representatives from the St. Louis Veterans Benefits Administration Regional Office.
- How:** Questions/comments from the audience will be addressed as time allows. A brief "claims clinic" will follow the Town Hall event.

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May 23, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Outreach Event With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Friday, May 27
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
2206 North Baltimore Street
Kirksville, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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May 17, 2016

Truman VA Hosts Second National VA Research Conference

21st Century Translational Medicine: Path to Progress for Improving Veterans Health

COLUMBIA, Mo. – As a key component of National VA Research Week, the Research Service at the Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital will host the second National VA Research Conference in Columbia on May 18-19.

The event will attract noted VA funded research investigators from a number of VA medical centers as well as officials from VA Central Office. The program will begin at the Holiday Inn Executive Center with a session on Wednesday, May 18, featuring a keynote presentation by **William Sivitz, MD**, Iowa City VA medical center, entitled, "Diabetes Clinical Research: Translational Impact." A group panel discussion on "Advancing 21st Century Translational Medicine: Opportunities and Challenges," moderated by **Adam Whaley-Connell, DO**, Truman VA Associate Chief of Staff for Research and Development. The panelists will include representatives from MU, Truman VA's academic affiliate, and others. A dinner sponsored by the Missouri Foundation for Veterans Medical Research will conclude the evening.

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Scientific sessions featuring 20 different speakers will take place from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Truman VA's auditorium on Thursday, May 19. Sessions on (1) Innovative Cancer Therapy and Diagnostic Imaging, (2) Diabetes and Cardiovascular Diseases: Bench to Bedside Translation and (3) Translational Life Changing Therapies for Eye, Sleep, and Neurological Diseases are scheduled.

VA Research Week provides an opportunity to showcase the numerous achievements of VA researchers and the role they play in providing high quality care for Veterans and advancing medical science. In 2016, VA is celebrating 91 years of research excellence. Important VA research achievements range from breakthroughs in the treatment of cancer and other diseases, new prosthetic devices and appliances, development of the nicotine patch, identifying and coining the term Post-traumatic Stress Disorder, and three VA researchers receiving Nobel prizes.

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May 16, 2016

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- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Thursday, May 19
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Chariton County Courthouse
306 S. Cherry Street
Keytesville, Mo.
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May 13, 2016

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- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Tuesday, May 17
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
2150 Highway B
Boonville, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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May 12, 2016

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Truman VA Hospital to Host Second National VA Research Conference ***21st Century Translational Medicine: Path to Progress for Improving Veterans Health***

- Who:** Noted VA funded research investigators from a number of VA medical centers including Truman VA, officials from VA Central Office, representatives from various University of Missouri departments, invited stakeholders from congressional offices and Veteran Service Organizations.
- What:** Second National VA Research Conference: a two-day symposium that includes a keynote presentation, panel discussion and dinner on Wednesday and a daylong presentation of scientific sessions on Thursday.
- When:** Wednesday, May 18 3:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Thursday, May 19 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Where:** Holiday Inn Executive Center 2200 I-70 Drive SW Columbia, Missouri Truman VA Auditorium 800 Hospital Drive Columbia, Missouri
- Why:** VA Research Week (May 16-20) is an opportunity to showcase the numerous achievements of VA research investigators and the role they play in providing high quality care for Veterans and advancing medical science. The national VA Research Conference helps educate Veterans, elected representatives and

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others about VA research and its impact on treating and preventing disease and disability, not only for Veterans, but all Americans. In 2016, VA celebrates 91 years of research excellence.

Truman VA employs four of 30 national VA Research Career Scientists. Financial support for the dinner, lunches and refreshments has been provided by the Missouri Foundation for Veterans' Medical Research.

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May 10, 2016

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- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Thursday, May 12
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
500 S. Bishop Avenue
Rolla, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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May 5, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Outreach Event With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Monday, May 9
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
937 Park Circle Drive
Brookfield, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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April 20, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Recurring Visits at St. Robert With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

Who: Area combat Veterans and their families

What: Mobile Vet Centers focus on services that help Veterans make the difficult transition between military and civilian life

When: Fourth Tuesday of the month beginning April 26
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Where: Lynch Furniture
248 Old Route 66
St. Robert, Mo.

Why: The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, provide counseling services and information resources, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. More information is available at the following website: www.vetcenter.va.gov.

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April 13, 2016

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Truman VA Hospital to Recognize Volunteers

Who: Approximately 200 volunteers at the Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital, Columbia, Missouri, who earned awards for hours served in 2015.

What: 42nd annual volunteer recognition and awards ceremony

When: Friday, April 15
11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: Peachtree Banquet Center
120 E. Nifong Blvd.
Columbia, Missouri

Why: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Voluntary Service program is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year. It is one of the largest volunteer programs in the federal government. The ceremony will culminate National Volunteer Week activities.

In 2015, 974 volunteers provided more than 63,000 hours of service to Veterans served by Truman VA and its community clinics. Award categories range from 50 hours of service to more than 10,000 hours of cumulative service. Many of the Truman VA volunteers have served 25 years or more.

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April 5, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Recurring Visits at Fort Leonard Wood With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

Who: Area combat Veterans and their families

What: Mobile Vet Centers focus on services that help Veterans make the difficult transition between military and civilian life

When: Second Tuesday of the month beginning April 12
9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: Commissary
689 Nebraska Avenue
Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Why: The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, provide counseling services and information resources, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. More information is available at the following website: www.vetcenter.va.gov.

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March 25, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Truman VA Highlighted in Healthcare Equity Index 2016

Named as “Leader in LGBT Healthcare Equality” by National Survey

COLUMBIA, Mo. – The Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans’ Hospital has been recognized as a “Leader in LGBT Healthcare Equality” by the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) Foundation, the educational arm of the country’s largest lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) civil rights organization.

The findings were part of HRC Foundation’s *Healthcare Equality Index 2016*, a unique annual survey that encourages equal care for LGBT Americans by evaluating inclusive policies and practices related to LGBT patients, visitors and employees.

Truman VA earned top marks in meeting non-discrimination and training criteria that demonstrate its commitment to equitable, inclusive care for LGBT patients, and their families, who can face significant challenges in securing the quality health care and respect they deserve.

The Columbia VA medical center is one of 496 facilities named “Leaders in LGBT

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Healthcare Equality. Facilities awarded this designation meet key criteria including patient and employee non-discrimination policies that specifically mention sexual orientation and gender identity, a guarantee of equal visitation for same-sex partners and parents, and LGBT health education for key staff members.

“Despite all the progress we’ve made, far too many LGBT people still lack inclusive and affirming health care. Leaders in LGBT Healthcare Equality are helping to change that and, in the process, making the lives of LGBT patients and their families better each and every day, “ said Chad Griffin, president of the Human Rights Campaign. “LGBT people have a right to be treated equally in all aspects of their lives and HRC celebrates Truman VA for its work to create an inclusive and welcoming environment for all patients.”

The Healthcare Equality Index offers health care facilities resources designed to help provide equal care as well as assistance in complying with regulatory requirements and access to high quality staff training. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Office of Health Equity coordinates facility participation in the Healthcare Equality Index. This office is responsible for championing equitable health for all Veterans including those from LGBT communities.

For more information about the Healthcare Equality Index 2016, visit www.hrc.org/hej. For more information about the VA Office of Health Equity, visit www.va.gov.healthequity.

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March 24, 2016

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- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Monday, March 28
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
855 Cherokee Drive
Marshall, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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March 21, 2016

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- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Friday, March 25
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
2206 North Baltimore Street
Kirksville, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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March 16, 2016

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- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Tuesday, March 22
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Lynch Furniture
248 Old Route 66
St. Robert, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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March 8, 2016

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- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Tuesday, March 15
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** City Hall
1000 City Parkway
Osage Beach, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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March 3, 2016

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Columbia Vet Center Schedules Open House

- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The open house provides an opportunity to meet staff members and learn more about the programs offered to assist local Veterans.
- When:** Friday, March 11
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Where:** Columbia Vet Center
4040 Rangeline Street
Columbia, Mo.
573-814-6206
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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February 29, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Truman VA Hospital to Conduct March 4 Town Hall Event

- Who:** Veterans and their families, other stakeholders including congressional staff, Veteran Service Organizations, community partners
- What:** Town Hall events allow and enhance feedback from Veterans and their families concerning health care and other VA benefits
- When:** Friday, March 4
1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Where:** Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital
800 Hospital Drive
Columbia, Mo.
Second Floor Auditorium
- Why:** Secretary of Veterans Affairs Robert A. McDonald has directed all VA health care and benefits facilities to conduct quarterly town hall events. The goal of each event is "to listen and learn from those who use" the VA healthcare system. In addition, questions about financial benefits will be addressed by representatives from the St. Louis Veterans Benefits Administration Regional Office.
- How:** Questions/comments from the audience will be addressed as time allows. A brief "claims clinic" will follow the Town Hall event.

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February 22, 2016

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- When:** Friday, February 26
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Lowe's Parking Lot
3651 Stardust Drive
Hannibal, Mo.
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February 19, 2016

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- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Wednesday, February 24
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** VFW Post 4182
108 Highway 100
Hermann, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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February 9, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Outreach Event With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Thursday, February 11
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
724 W. Stadium Blvd.
Jefferson City, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
- Meet Vet Center staff members
 - Learn more about Vet Centers
 - Learn about the 40 foot Mobile Vet Center, which is used for national emergencies, medical aid to remote regions and outreach for the Vet Center program
 - Obtain information on services provided to Veterans and their families.

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February 5, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Outreach Event With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Tuesday, February 9
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
3201 W. Broadway Blvd.
Sedalia, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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February 1, 2016

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Columbia Vet Center Schedules Outreach Event With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Friday, February 5
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
1701 N. Bluff Street
Fulton, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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January 29, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Outreach Event With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

- Who:** Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public
- What:** The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff
- When:** Tuesday, February 2
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Where:** Walmart Supercenter
4820 S. Clark Street
Mexico, Mo.
- Why:** The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:
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January 20, 2016

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Columbia Vet Center Schedules Outreach Event With Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center Vehicle

Who: Area combat Veterans and their families, the general public

What: The outreach event is designed to discuss Veterans benefits and to answer questions about services provided by Vet Center staff

When: Tuesday, January 26
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Where: Walmart Supercenter
1301 E. Highway 24
Moberly, Mo.

Why: The Columbia Vet Center opened in 2010. VA Vet Centers, established following the Vietnam War, are available to provide counseling services, particularly for combat Veterans and their families. This event provides opportunities to:

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