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VA Facility Brings Voter Registration to Veterans

More than 6,000 Helped Nationwide

Get-out-the-vote efforts this year at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center provided voter registration information to 80 people this campaign season.

“Helping our veteran-patients register and vote has always been important at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center,” said Craig S. Howard, Medical Center Director. “This year, VA added extra emphasis to voter registration.”

Nationwide, the 153 medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), aided by 750 volunteers, provided voter registration information to more than 6,000 veterans, put more than 6,000 informational posters in place throughout VA facilities and distributed about 166,000 flyers to patients.

This year, VA facilities tapped into non-partisan community resources. The offices of Secretaries of State, state and county election officials and non-partisan groups assisted VA provide voter registration information.

“VA has always been committed to helping veterans exercise their right to vote,” said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr. James B. Peake. “This year we established a uniform approach for helping our patients who need assistance to register and to vote.”

The Canandaigua VA Medical Center provided direct assistance in voter registration and absentee ballot applications.

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