

Highlights  
VA Grant and Per Diem Program  
Provider Operational Call  
June 9, 2008

**Program Announcements:**

--Funding for new positions will be going out to medical centers this year to hire GPD Liaisons. Most participants on the call probably have a liaison assigned already, however, those sites that are new or yet to be operational may benefit from these new positions.

--Some medical centers will be contracting for residential treatment for homeless veterans. These programs are contracts with community providers (similar to GPD Programs), however, there will be an emphasis on the treatment component of the program design. This contracting will be under Health Care for Homeless Veterans Programs.

--VA is currently initiating the HUD/VASH Program. VA is working with HUD to provide Section 8 vouchers for homeless veterans. In turn, VA medical centers will offer case management for veterans in the community utilizing these vouchers for permanent housing. Over 10,000 vouchers will be available for veterans through HUD.

**Assistance with Grant Applications**

--Please go to the Homeless Providers web site to access the home pages for the technical assistance providers that are available to help organizations apply for grants. This TA is available for those organizations that wish to apply for any grants (not just GPD funding) to create or enhance programs for veterans.

The next scheduled conference call is July 14, 2008, Eastern Time. Please call in at 1-800-767-1750 (access code: 17663)