

Batavia Volunteer Opportunities

VA WNY Healthcare System volunteers are proud to serve those who have served. We have assignments that can be arranged to accommodate any schedule. The list below is just a few of the opportunities available to you.

VOLUNTARY SERVICE VOLUNTEER

Duties: Assist the Voluntary Service staff by filing, answering phones, sorting through and passing out donations, helping with events, etc.

Time Involved: Anytime between Monday - Friday (9AM- 4PM)

ESCORT VOLUNTEER

Duties: Transport patients to clinic appointments around the facility.

Time Involved: Weekdays (Monday's 8AM-2PM).

FRIENDLY VISITOR VOLUNTEER

Duties: A friendly visitor is assigned to a Community Living Center. The volunteer may visit, read to a Veteran, help with correspondence and accompany the Veteran for an outdoor stroll (dependant on the weather).

Time Involved: Monday - Sunday (8AM-6PM).

NURSING - COMMUNITY LIVING CENTER VOLUNTEER

Duties: Volunteers are assigned to one of the three Community Living Center's to distribute mail, linens, escort residents, run errands, assist residents with their meal tray's and walking with the residents as needed.

Time Involved: Anytime between Monday - Sunday (8AM-6PM).

MY HEALTH-E VET

Duties: Helping Veterans enroll in My Health-E Vet computer system. Allowing them to get instant medical information, refill prescriptions and e-mail physicians

Time Involved: Monday-Friday (8AM-4PM)

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ADMINISTRATION / CLERICAL VOLUNTEER

Duties: Photocopying, filing, running errands, stuffing envelopes, typing letters and typing letters. Proficiency in software programs such as Microsoft, Excel, Power Point and Excel. Areas which need assistance may include Voluntary Service, Engineering, Ambulatory Care, Home Based Primary Care and the PTSD Clinic.

Time Involved: Monday - Friday (8AM-4PM)

VTN DRIVER VOLUNTEER

Duties: Transport patients who have VA appointments to and from their homes. Volunteers interested must complete a VA Physical, Background Investigation and Safety Training Courses before they can volunteer.

Time Involved: As needed on Weekdays (7AM-1PM).

VTN DISPATCH VOLUNTEER

Duties: Responsible for scheduling patient appointments, verifying patient appointments and scheduling drivers for coverage. Volunteers would have to be familiar with Microsoft Word and Excel.

Time Involved: As needed on Weekdays (6AM - 1PM).

RECREATION VOLUNTEER

Duties: Assist Recreation staff in hosting activities throughout the year. Picnics, dinner dances, Wii Sports activities, Card games, etc.

Time Involved: Monday - Sunday (9AM - 7PM)

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Some of the more popular assignments include:

Football Tailgating Volunteer - Recreation staff conduct tail-gating parties on game days during football season. Volunteers will assist the staff by transporting the patients to and from the Recreation Hall so that they may view the game. They will also assist by serving the Veterans pizza and soda pop during half-time. Approximately six volunteers are needed for each party.

Music Volunteers - Those individuals that are able to play a musical instrument may play for the Veterans in the community living centers. Most instruments are acceptable but portability is an issue. This assignment is typically an hour in duration (about 15 to 20 minutes)

Artistic Volunteer - Individuals who are artistic are welcome to come in and draw with the Veterans.

Poker Volunteer - Any individual(s) interested in hosting a friendly Poker game are welcome.

Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Volunteer - Project Healing Waters helps Veterans with PTSD learn about fly fishing. How to fly a tie, casting and catching fish. Looking for female volunteers to assist with trips and learning sessions.

ALL RECREATION ACTIVITIES & ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE COORDINATED WITH RECREATION THERAPY

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