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VA Loma Linda Hosts VA2K

LOMA LINDA, Calif. – The VA Loma Linda Healthcare System will host a 2K “walk and roll” event on May 15 at the Jerry L. Pettis Memorial VA Medical Center in Loma Linda, Calif., to coincide with National Employee Health and Fitness Day.

The Loma Linda “VA2K” event is one of many 2Ks taking place May 15 at VA facilities across the country. In conjunction with the event, VA Voluntary Services will be on-hand to inform participants of VA’s willingness to accept gifts and VA Loma Linda’s need for in-kind gifts to be used to carry out existing VA programs for homeless veterans. However, there is no requirement for a donation in order to participate.

The Loma Linda VA2K will be held around the pond at the Northwest side of the medical center, between the main entrance and the Emergency Room. Pre-registration is not required and those interested in participating should plan to arrive between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. For additional information and more event details, please contact the local 2K coordinator, Mark Mariglia at (909) 825-7084 ext. 4633.

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The Jerry L. Pettis Memorial VA Medical Center is the centerpiece of the VA Loma Linda Healthcare System. Opened in 1977, it is located ½ mile from its major affiliate, Loma Linda University. The VA Loma Linda Healthcare System is one of the top 25 employers in the Inland Empire. With approximately 2,500 employees and more than 1,000 volunteers, it serves more than 67,000 Veterans who entrust their health care needs to VA for a wide variety of services through inpatient and outpatient care. In partnership with Loma Linda University Medical Center and Loma Linda University Healthcare, VA provides primary care and mental health at outpatient clinics located in Blythe, Corona, Palm Desert, Murrieta, Rancho Cucamonga and Victorville.