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Omaha VA to Hold ‘Stairway to Health’ Ribbon Cutting

One small step for you; one giant step for health

OMAHA, Neb. — Veterans and employees at the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Omaha, Neb., now have a scenic view to encourage them to use the stairs.

A ribbon-cutting is being held at 12:15 p.m. July 17 to dedicate the Stairway to Health at the VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System medical center, 4101 Woolworth Ave, Omaha. Veterans and the community are invited to attend the event.

The event will be at the entrance to the stairwell on the third floor of the facility by elevators nine and 10. Veterans and employees can take a tour of the five murals that are painted on the walls between floors.

The funding for hiring the artists from Mural Mural was provided by a grant for the VA Employee Health Prevention/Disease Prevention Program. The goal – increase use of the stairwells, and to promote physical activity in a pleasing aesthetic environment.

Free bottles of water will be available for people taking the tour during the ribbon cutting.

MEDIA NOTE: To cover the event, contact Anna Morelock, Deputy Public Affairs Officer, at Anna.Morelock or 402-995-5547 by 4 p.m. July 16.

The VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System’s mission is to honor America’s Veterans by providing exceptional health care that improves their health and well-being. VA NWIHCS employees serve more than 161,000 Veterans in Nebraska, western Iowa and portions of Kansas and Missouri. The system includes a tertiary medical center in Omaha and a Community Living Center in Grand Island, Neb. Community-based outpatient clinics are located in Lincoln, Grand Island, North Platte, Norfolk, and Bellevue, Neb., and Shenandoah, Iowa; and a contract outreach clinic in O’Neill, Neb. For more information, visit www.nebraska.va.gov.

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