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VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System to Host 3rd Annual Symposium on Veteran Homelessness

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 2, 2013 – The Department of Veterans Affairs Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System hosts its 3rd Annual Symposium on Veteran Homelessness at its Lincoln clinic auditorium Dec. 4 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at 600 S. 70th St., Lincoln, Neb.

The goal of the summit is to provide opportunities for the VA and community partners to partner to address the broad needs of Veterans who are homeless or who are at risk of becoming homeless.

VA expects nearly 100 people from community and government agencies to attend.

The symposium is part of the VA's overall goal to end homelessness amongst Veterans by 2015.

In Nebraska alone, VA's efforts has resulted in more than a 36 percent reduction in Veteran homelessness since 2008.

MEDIA NOTE: The symposium is open to news media coverage. To report on the event, contact Will Ackerman at 402-995-4719 or email William.ackerman@va.gov.

About VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System

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 <http://www.nebraska.va.gov>

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