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The week of February 12-18, 2017 is recognized nationally as "National Salute to Veteran Patients Week."

According to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the purpose of the annual National Salute to Veteran Patients Program is to:

- > pay tribute and express appreciation to veterans;
- > increase community awareness of the role of the VA medical center; and
- > encourage citizens to visit hospitalized Veterans and to become involved as volunteers.

The federal VA states, "The week of February 14 each year is your opportunity to say thank you to a special group of men and women, more than 98,000 Veterans of the U.S. armed services who are cared for every day in Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medical centers, outpatient clinics, domiciliaries, and nursing homes."

Read more [HERE](#).

Thank you to our veterans and to all those caring for them.