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Veterans Affairs Medical Center

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA



The Richmond Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) is one of VA's leading medical centers and serves as tertiary care referral center. This 1.2 million square foot facility is home to the latest and most sophisticated medical equipment and facilities for health care delivery for our Nation's Heroes. Contained within the main building are a Polytrauma Center of Excellence, a radiation therapy facility, an MRI suite, a large spinal cord injury and disorders unit, a hospice unit, nursing home care unit, and extensive ambulatory care facilities. The first heart transplants in the VA system were performed at the Richmond VAMC and over three hundred and fifty transplants have been performed at the medical center.

The Richmond VAMC is a 399 operating bed facility which offers primary, secondary, and tertiary diagnostic and therapeutic health services in medicine, surgery, neurology, rehabilitation medicine, intermediate care, acute and sustaining spinal cord injury, skilled nursing home care, and palliative care.

For over 14 years, Richmond VAMC has been a



leader in traumatic brain injury. In 1992, Richmond VAMC began participating in the development of the Defense and Veterans Head Injury Program (DVHIP) and became one of four lead traumatic brain injury centers (TBI) specializing in TBI rehabilitation services for active duty service members and veterans. In 2005, the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) designated Richmond VAMC as one of the four VHA designated Polytrauma Rehabilitation Centers. This center offers programs to cover the spectrum of traumatic brain injury (TBI) and the additional injuries that may have occurred during the injury. This care includes intensive inpatient treatment, transitional programming and a variety of outpatient programs. All of the programs promote integrating family members as members of the treatment team and incorporating age-specific activities and care.

The medical center also offers treatment for veterans with Parkinsons Disease through the Parkinsons Disease Research Education and Clinical Care Center (PADRECC).





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The Richmond PADRECC serves as one of six of the highly specialized facilities within the VA health care system.

Last year, the medical center served over 42,000 veterans and active duty service members with over 406,000 visits. Additionally, Richmond VAMC offers a broad range of diagnostic and therapeutic services including a dialysis unit, magnetic resonance imaging, cardiac catheterization, mammography, radiation therapy, electrophysiology, photopheresis and lithotripsy.

The medical center offers a Women's Health Center, Ambulatory Procedure Short Stay Unit and a full range of subspecialty clinics that compliment the Primary Care Group Practices to provide services to enrolled patients.



The medical center also provides outpatient services through the Fredericksburg and Charlottesville VA Community Based Outpatient Clinics.

Richmond VA Medical Center has a vibrant research program with annual budgetary allocation that consists of approximately seven million dollars.

Over 80% of the medical center's research has a direct impact on patient care studies in the VA system and in the community. Seventy-five investigators conduct over 300 research studies with clinical research focus areas that include hepatitis C, diabetes and lipid disorders. Some of the basic research focus areas include molecular oncology, regulation of bile acids and biliary cholesterol, and the hormonal function of fat cells.

Future developments on the campus include an expanded specialty clinic area located near the main entrance of the medical center and expansion of the Polytrauma program services near the Fisher House.

