Dayton VA Medical Center Offers New Long-Term Care Option for Veterans

What: Dayton, OH — The Dayton VA Medical Center Medical Foster Home (MFH) Program is seeking caregivers who are willing to open up their own home to provide care for Veterans who are unable to safely live independently and require daily supervision and assistance. The Medical Foster Home Program is a new service that will provide area Veterans with an alternative to traditional nursing home placement.


Program Contact: Jessica Holderman, MFH Coordinator at (937) 268-6511, ext. 3604 or ext. 2955.

Additional Information:

Potential caregivers’ homes must be within a 30-mile radius of the Dayton VA Medical Center, and homes will be subject to inspections by the VA. The VA’s Home Based Primary Care (HBPC) Team consists of interdisciplinary staff that make routine visits to the Medical Foster Homes to provide medical oversight to the Veteran’s care. Visits are unannounced to ensure Veterans are receiving quality care. Caregivers will be screened and matched to Veterans who are enrolled in the Home Based Primary Care program, and caregivers can provide care for up to three people in their homes through the Medical Foster Home Program.

Caregivers and their homes must meet a variety of criteria, including:

- Must be at least 21 years of age.
- Must own or rent your home which must be your primary residence.
- Must have experience as a caregiver (formal or informal).
- Must have a willingness to provide a safe, long-term, therapeutic home environment.
- Must have a willingness to be part of the Veteran’s treatment team and care plan.
- Be physically able to provide the needed care, and have a written backup plan if they become incapacitated, including designated relief persons.
- Must provide three healthy meals per day and snacks.
- Must provide 24-hour care and supervision to the Veteran.
- Must meet all federal, state, and local licensure requirements and regulations.
- Must provide three (3) personal and one (1) professional reference.
- Must be willing to participate in a Federal Bureau of Investigation and State of Ohio background check.

A Veteran and/or the Veteran’s family will operate from a signed agreement that will define the services that will be provided. Caregivers are paid directly by the Veteran receiving care. The rate is negotiated between the Veteran and the caregiver, based upon the level of care needed. For more information on the program, please contact Jessica Holderman, MSW, LISW, Medical Foster Home Coordinator at (937) 268-6511, ext. 3604.

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