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LEBANON VA HOSTS JOB FAIR

Helping Pennsylvania's Heroes Secure Meaningful Employment

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On Friday, September 27, the Lebanon VA Medical Center, in partnership with the YWCA of Greater Harrisburg, will host a job fair for Veterans in the medical center gymnasium. The fair will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. More than 50 companies, who are eager to hire Veterans, are registered to participate. This is an opportunity for Veterans to connect with companies who recognize the value and benefits of hiring Veterans. The fair is free of charge for Veterans and they do not need to register in order to participate.

Keisha Kerr, of the Lebanon VA Medical Center who is helping to organize the event states, "There are a lot of strengths which Veterans bring to the workplace. These include:

- Working well in a team. Teamwork is considered an essential part of daily life and is the foundation on which safe military operations are built,
- Having a sense of duty. Responsibility for job performance and accountability for completing missions are something to take pride in,
- Experiencing self-confidence. Holding a realistic estimation of self and ability based on experiences is expected of each Service Member,
- Being organized and disciplined,
- Possessing a strong work ethic. In the military, the mission always comes first,
- Having the ability to follow through on assignments, even under difficult or stressful circumstances,
- Possessing a variety of cross-functional skills, such as extensive training on computer programs and systems, interacting with various people with different skills to accomplish a task, and coordinating and troubleshooting problems in novel and known conditions,
- Being able to problem solve quickly and creatively,
- Being able to adapt to changing situations, and
- Being able to follow rules and schedules.
- Hiring a Veteran can result in the hiring of a dedicated employee who has developed valuable teamwork, leadership, and job skills."

Lebanon VA Medical Center is one of 152 medical centers across the United States which are dedicated to serving the unique needs of America's Veterans. The VA is the largest health care system in the country, using state of the art technology to improve the health of Veterans from every generation. Every Veteran enrolled in VA healthcare meets the Affordable Care Act standards for possessing health care coverage.

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