

About the Medical Center

The Stratton VA Medical Center, part of the VA Healthcare Network Upstate New York, is located in the heart of Albany, New York. Located in the capital of New York State, this medical center serves veterans in a 100-mile radius. Opened in 1951, the Medical Center serves veterans in 22 counties of upstate New York, western Massachusetts and Vermont.

In 1990, this facility was named in honor of Samuel S. Stratton, U.S. Congressman of the 23rd District, a staunch supporter of veterans and a frequent visitor to the hospital. The Medical Center provides primary care, wellness and prevention outpatient care, comprehensive primary, secondary and tertiary inpatient care, surgery, and psychiatry, plus a full range of outpatient services. Veterans Benefit Counselors are available, as well as a comfort home and hoptel for outpatients and their families. Our Voluntary Service office supports the delivery of veteran health services through volunteerism and donations from community and service organizations in the Albany area.

The Medical Center provides specialized medical services such as: cardiac catheterization, cardiac rehabilitation, nuclear medicine, stereotactic radiosurgery, hospice/palliative care, adult day health care, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), compensated work therapy, memory clinic, geriatric assessment, nursing home, and respite care. In addition, we offer a Women Veterans Health Program that addresses a variety of health care needs specific to women veterans. The Vet Center is available to combat veterans suffering from PTSD. There are also several programs designed to help homeless veterans.

Speakers Topics

Please contact us for a more detailed description of each topic or to ask us to tailor a program to meet your special needs.

- Adult Day Care
- Aging
- Alcoholism
- Alzheimer's Disease
- Careers in the Health Professions
- Caregiver Support
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
- Clinical Pathways
- Community Networking
- Crisis Intervention
- Continuous Quality Improvement
- Customer Service
- Death and Dying
- Diet and Nutrition
- Disaster Management
- Drugs:
 - Abuse
 - Dependency
 - Interactions
- Ethical Issues
- Family Communications
- Foot Care
- Hearing Loss
- Hobbies and Interests
- Hospice
- Hospital Chaplaincy
- Hemodialysis
- Medical Conditions:
 - Atherosclerosis
 - Cancer
 - Diabetes
 - Heart Attack
 - Hypertension
 - Infections
 - Pulmonary Problems
 - Stroke
 - Vascular Disease
- Mental Illness
- Nuclear Medicine
- Nursing Education
- Patient Education
- Pain Management
- Psychological Issues
- Planetree
- Radiation
- Respite Care
- Recreation
- Research
- Safety
- Sexual Trauma
- Smoking Cessation
- Social Work Programs
- Staff Development:
 - Self Directed Work Teams
- Stress
- Suicide
- Surgery

- VAMC Issues:
 - Labor Management
 - Medical Care
- Veterans Issues:
 - Agent Orange
 - Disabled Veterans
 - Eligibility
 - Gulf War Family Support Program
 - Post Traumatic Stress
 - Vietnam Experience
- Volunteer Programs
- Wellness-Humorous
- Women's Health
- Workplace Violence

It Is Easy To Request A Speaker

Please try and request speakers at least four weeks in advance. We hope we may be of assistance to you in planning your program.

It is easy to request a speaker. Call, fax or email us with the following information: topic, date, time, location, type of audience, number of people expected.

Contact:

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Stratton VA Medical Center Speakers Bureau

There is a lot happening at the Stratton VA Medical Center and we would like to share our Medical Center with you through our Speakers Bureau program. Our commitment to caring for the veteran, education of personnel in the health care profession, and quality management enable us to offer a broad variety of topics.

The Stratton VA Medical Center Speakers Bureau was established as a service to the community in order to share our activities and expertise with you. We will be pleased to provide you with speakers for schools, civic and community groups.

Our topics can be tailored to fit your special needs. We would appreciate receiving your request four weeks in advance.

For more information, please contact:

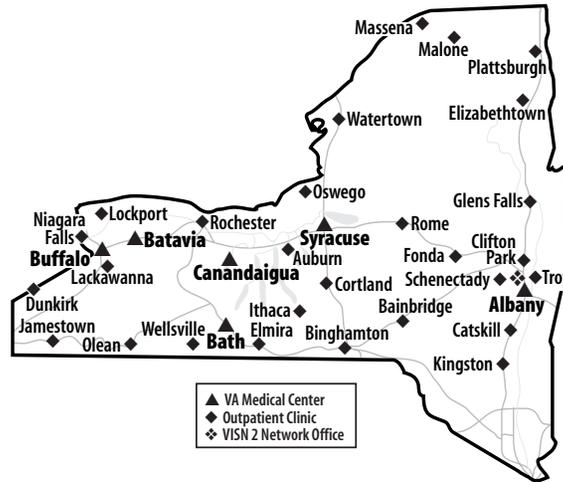
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*We look forward to helping make
your program successful.*

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