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Canton VA Outpatient Clinic Veteran Appreciation Day and Vietnam 50th Anniversary

Canton, Ohio – In recognition of the service and sacrifice of Veteran patients and staff, the Canton VA Outpatient Clinic will join with the Department of Defense and VA facilities across the country to thank Vietnam Veterans and commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War this Thursday, May 26 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Vietnam Veteran patients and staff are encouraged to attend to receive a commemorative pin during the clinic's annual Memorial Day Cookout held for Veteran patients. The clinic is located at 733 Market Avenue South in Canton, OH.

The Canton VA Outpatient Clinic joins the DoD War Commemoration Committee's more than 9,500 partners hosting more than 5,000 events to thank and honor Vietnam Veterans and their families on behalf of a grateful nation. Vietnam Veterans attending the event will receive a commemorative pin.

By presidential proclamation May 25, 2012, the Commemoration extends from May 28, 2012 through November 11, 2025. Memorial Day, May 28, 2012 was chosen as the inaugural event. The Commemoration recognizes all who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces from November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975, regardless of duty location.

The Commemoration honors all Vietnam Veterans and does not make distinction between Veterans who served in-country, in-theater, or who were stationed elsewhere during the Vietnam War period. All were called to serve and the overwhelming majority of these Veterans served honorably and admirably.

Media interested in covering the event or seeking more information, should contact Ashley Trimble at 216-701-7029 or ashley.trimble@va.gov.

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