

The Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center

is a primary, secondary, and tertiary care facility that serves over 38,000 veterans in 15 counties along the South Carolina and Georgia coastline. Located in historic downtown Charleston, the 117-bed medical center provides acute medical, surgical, and psychiatric inpatient care, as well as outpatient primary and mental health care at its main facility and four community based outpatient clinics.



As part of Veteran Integrated Service Network (VISN) 7, the Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center works closely with other VA Medical Centers throughout South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama to provide the highest level of comprehensive care for our nation's heroes.

- ◆ Serves over 38,000 veterans who require more than 381,000 outpatient visits and approximately 4,300 inpatient stays annually.
- ◆ 117 authorized hospital beds; operating 96 beds and a 28-bed nursing home unit.
- ◆ Supports approximately 90 medical residents in medical and dental specialties, as well as students from nursing, pharmacy, social work and allied health disciplines.
- ◆ Affiliated with 62 different educational institutions, primarily with the Medical University of South Carolina.
- ◆ Research Service has over 60 research investigators conducting basic research in such areas as cardiology, endocrinology and diabetes mellitus, as well as clinical and health service research in mental health and PTSD.
- ◆ Supports the Vet Centers in North Charleston, South Carolina and Savannah, Georgia.
- ◆ Operates four community based outpatient clinics in Savannah, Myrtle Beach, Goose Creek and Beaufort.

Quality care close to home

That is what veterans find at our four community based outpatient clinics. Patients receive comprehensive primary and mental health outpatient care, lab and x-ray services, and even some specialty care right in their own neighborhoods.

Myrtle Beach Primary Care Clinic

- ◆ Located on the former Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, this clinic offers 16 treatment rooms, one of which can be used for isolation
- ◆ Provides primary care, mental health and digital radiology
- ◆ Serves more than 5,000 patients in Horry County and surrounding communities



Savannah Primary Care Clinic

- ◆ Conveniently located close to Hunter Army Air Field
- ◆ Provides primary care, mental health, physical therapy and specialty care including dermatology, gynecology, ophthalmology, podiatry and urology
- ◆ Serves approximately 8,000 patients in 10 Georgia and three South Carolina counties

Goose Creek Primary Care Clinic

- ◆ Goose Creek Primary Care Clinic, scheduled to open in FY 2008, is being built through a VA/DoD sharing agreement with the U.S. Navy on the Naval Weapons Station in Goose Creek, SC
- ◆ Features include a separate VA entrance and parking, and shared ancillary support services
- ◆ An interim community based outpatient clinic opened in leased space in September 2005 to provide primary care and mental health services to approximately 6,000 veterans in the North Charleston area



Beaufort Primary Care Clinic

- ◆ Located in the Beaufort Naval Hospital, this clinic provides primary care and mental health services
- ◆ Serves approximately 3,000 veterans in Beaufort, Hampton and Jasper counties
- ◆ Through a VA/DoD sharing agreement, ancillary services such as lab and x-ray are provided by Beaufort Naval Hospital