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# Veterans Affairs Expands Health Care Services to Veterans in Kent County with Opening of New Clinic

WILMINGTON, Del. — Wilmington VA Medical Center (VAMC) is excited to announce the opening of our new Kent County Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) in Dover.

**Beginning March 31, 2021**, the current location on Governors Avenue will close and all Veteran care will be provided at the new location at the Blue Hen Corporate Center:

Address:

#### Phone numbers:

1-800-461-8262 ext. 2400

Kent County VA Outpatient Clinic 655 South Bay Road – Unit 3C Dover, DE 19901

"We are extremely proud to be moving into this new clinic and expanding on the health care services we provide to Veterans in central and southern Delaware," said Vince Kane, Director, Wilmington VAMC. "In VA, it is our mission to provide exceptional health care by putting Veterans first in everything we do. It is our privilege to meet the health care needs and challenges Veterans face. This clinic is a testament to our investment and commitment to provide more care and services to Veterans closer to their home."

The new location size will increase from the current size of 9,000 square feet to over 29,000 square feet. The new site will continue to provide Veterans with the same services that were available at the former site, and the additional space will allow for the expansion of services such as: primary care, behavioral health, specialty services and telehealth.

The new clinic will also include:

12 mental health

rooms

• 18 primary care • optometry exam room rooms

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- y telehealth rooms
  - conference/group meeting rooms
  - staging area for home-based primary care
- 5 specialty exam phlebotomy rooms lab
- 3 women's health rooms
- procedure rooms

audiology

suite

- physical medicine and rehabilitation suite
- offices for care coordinators
- requisite waiting, checkin, storage and medication rooms
- offices for Veteran Service Organizations

The Veteran's care team will remain the same and this relocation should not cause any interruptions to his or her care.

# In order to ensure the health and safety of our Veterans and staff during COVID-19, please contact Veterans are encouraged to contact his or her care team at the number above before any unscheduled visit to the clinic.

Veterans can also schedule appointments at 1-800-461-8262 option 2 or through MyHealtheVet at <u>www.myhealth.va.gov</u>.



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## **COVID-19 Vaccinations for Eligible Veterans**

All Veterans are encouraged to get vaccinated when they are eligible. Wilmington VAMC's goal is to vaccinate all eligible Veterans who choose to get a vaccine as quickly and safely as possible.

Currently, Wilmington VAMC is offering vaccinations by appointment only to the following categories of Veterans receiving care at VA:

- Veteran <u>must be enrolled in VA health care</u> at Wilmington VAMC or one of its five Community Based Outpatient Clinics in Delaware or southern New Jersey, <u>AND</u>
- 2. Veteran must be 55 years or older, OR
- 3. Enrolled Veteran has underlying health conditions that puts him or her at higher risk. Veteran should speak with his or her primary care team.

### Scheduling Appointments

For eligible Veterans who have not yet received a COVID-19 vaccination and meet the criteria above, more information such as scheduling appointments, eligibility and enrollment criteria and other vaccine-related questions can be found on our website at www.wilmington.va.gov/services/covid-19-vaccines.asp.

### More Information

Wilmington VA Medical Center provides health care services to approximately 33,000 Veterans through its main medical center and five CBOCs in Delaware and southern New Jersey. For more information, please visit <u>www.wilmington.va.gov</u>.

