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**Marion VA Health Care System Women Veterans Program to host Pink and Purple October Event on the main Marion Campus October 19<sup>th</sup>.**



**Pink & Purple OCTOBER**  
WOMEN'S HEALTH EVENT  
Thursday, October 19, 2023  
11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
Marion Main Campus

**Service Booths:**  
Women Veterans Program - Mammography & Cervical Cancer Screening  
SERVICE Act - Maternity Care - Pregnancy/Infant Loss - Tender Mercies - Intimate Partner Violence - Military Sexual Trauma - Social Work Services - Minority Veterans Program - Clinical Nutrition Services - Lactation - MOVE Program - LGBTQ+ Behavioral Health - Behavioral Health Counsel - Heart Health - Registration/Eligibility - MyHealtheVet - Whole Health - CDCE (Voluntary Services) - HPDP - PACT Act/COMPACT Act - Patient Advocate - Post 9/11 M2VA and more!

**Food Trucks:**  
Tater Headz Fry Co.  
Venenzi Wood Fired Pizza  
VCS

**Special Guest Speaker:**  
Live at 12:15 CST  
Marion VA front lawn  
VA Employee shares her incredible journey as a breast cancer survivor  
Will also be livestreamed on the Marion VA Facebook page

**Hosted By:**  
Marion VA HCS  
Women Veterans Program & IPVAP  
For more information, contact  
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**Come Join Us For:**  
Contests & Giveaways  
Scavenger Hunt  
Best Dressed in Pink/Purple  
Trail Mix Creation Station  
Remembrance Tree (Pregnancy/Infant Loss)  
3rd Annual Pink Pumpkin Contest Voting  
Selfie Photo Station  
Craft/Painting Station

**Show your support by wearing Pink & Purple**

In case of inclement weather, event will be located inside the Center for Behavioral Health, Building 83

100th Anniversary of the Department of Veterans Affairs

Marion, IL October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023—  
The Marion VA Health Care System Women Veterans Program will be hosting a Women's Health Event titled PINK and PURPLE OCTOBER in support of Domestic Violence Awareness, Breast Cancer Survivors and Pregnancy and Infant Loss. There will be multiple service booths with information, food trucks, and various guest speakers. Please come join in on this event. It will be held on the main campus of the Marion VA, Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 – 1:30.

For more information, please contact Liz Vertin, Women Veterans Program at [liz.vertin@va.gov](mailto:liz.vertin@va.gov)

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