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Bay Pines VA Mobile Medical Unit Arrives, Readies Support to Pinellas County

BAY PINES, Fla. – Bay Pines VA Healthcare System became the latest recipient of a new Mobile Medical Unit (MMU), following a delivery of the vehicle to the C.W. Bill Young VA Medical Center campus, today.

Last year, Bay Pines VA helped VA surpass the national goal of permanently housing 38,000 Veterans, with support to 638 local Veterans. The arrival of the MMU allows the organization to build on this accomplishment by strengthening the Homeless Patient Aligned Care Team’s ability to conduct outreach to Veterans across Pinellas County who are not enrolled in the healthcare system.

“We are immensely proud that Bay Pines VA Healthcare System was chosen to receive the Mobile Medical Unit,” said Bay Pines VA Social Work Chief Alisha Stanton. “We look forward to meeting Veterans where they live, in the community, and providing them easier access to basic services that can improve their health care and quality of life.”

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs officially announced the launch of the MMUs in a [release](#) on Aug. 3, 2023. Bay Pines VA was one of 25 healthcare systems across the country selected, following an application submission last year.

The MMU teams will provide a variety of basic care services including treatment for hypertension, diabetes, basic immunizations, and wound care. Additionally, social work services will work to assess social determinants of health and access to mental health support.

“We have an enormous opportunity here to extend our health care services and support outside of our facilities,” added Bay Pines VA Chief of Staff Dr. Amin Elamin. “The MMUs allow our teams to cover a larger area, more effectively, which is a huge benefit to at-risk Veterans.”

Stanton added that the team supporting the MMU will include a doctor, advanced registered nurse practitioner, registered nurse or licensed practical nurse, and a social worker.

Bay Pines VA leadership confirmed the MMU is a permanent part of the organization’s fleet, and while the teams will be going out once per week to start, they will be exploring options to expand frequency.

For additional information on this event or future coverage opportunities: Contact Bay Pines VA Healthcare System’s Public Affairs Officer Rob Frazier at Robert.Frazier1@va.gov or 727-317-8120. See the latest news, stories, and Veteran health care information available on our official [website](#) or official [social media accounts](#).





Bay Pines VA Healthcare System staff receive the Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) at the C.W. Bill Young VA Medical Center campus, Nov. 6, 2023. The arrival of the MMU allows the organization's Homeless Patient Aligned Care Team to enhance their ability to conduct outreach to unhoused or at-risk Veterans across Pinellas County who are not enrolled in the healthcare system. (Photo by Michael Brock, Bay Pines VA Public Affairs Specialist)



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