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Welcome

Bryan C. Matthews has been named the Acting Director for the Martinsburg VA Medical Center. Mr. Timothy Cooke, who was detailed as the acting director for the regulatory limit of 120 days, resumed his position as associate director. Mr. Matthews has been the Associate Director of the Washington D.C. VA Medical Center since April 2013. Prior to that, Matthews served as the Associate Director for the Jack C. Montgomery VA Medical Center in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Meet Your Team

Melvinia Dunn, Associate Chief Nurse, Acute Care—Nursing



Meet Melvinia Dunn, associate chief nurse, acute care – nursing. A Martinsburg native, she began her nursing career in 1980 and has worked at the medical center for 14 years. She currently manages the acute-care section of nursing, which includes inpatient and domiciliary mental health nursing, surgical and gastrointestinal endoscopy nursing, the medical-surgical/telemetry unit, the intensive care/step-down unit, and the wound/ostomy clinic. She sits on many committees, including the Nurse Professional Standards Board (Chairperson) and the Licensed Practical Nurse Standards Board (Consultant). Dunn said the best part of her job is making a difference in the lives of Veterans and her fellow nurses. “I frequently have the opportunity to talk with Veterans in the units that I manage and to mentor other nurses in the profession,” she said. “At the end of the day, I go home feeling like my time was well spent – caring for the Veterans.”

Jennifer Roderick, Police Officer

Meet Jen Roderick, one of the medical center’s newest police officers. This Army Soldier originally from Burlington, W.Va., currently serves in the West Virginia Army National Guard and sits on the medical center’s diversity committee. Roderick has an associate of arts in medical technology from Potomac State College of West Virginia and a Bachelor’s of Science in criminal justice from



American Military University. She is also working on completing a master’s degree. She says the best part about her job is helping Veterans and their families. VA police officers are charged with protecting medical center Veterans, employees and visitors. This includes protecting the civil rights of all individuals while on federally owned property and preserving the peaceful environment needed for successful medical treatment programs.

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Our Clinic Locations

[Cumberland, Md.](#)
[Fort Detrick, Md.](#)
[Hagerstown, Md.](#)
[Harrisonburg, Va.](#)
[Stephens City, Va.](#)
[Franklin, W.Va.](#)
[Petersburg, W.Va.](#)

Quick Tips

The Martinsburg VA Medical Center celebrates National Salute to Veteran Patients week.



We want to thank all of our Veteran patients for their bravery and sacrifice for our freedom.



Fight to end Veteran homelessness is not over



The Martinsburg VA Medical Center (VAMC) extends a thank you to the community for spreading the word about getting homeless Veterans off the streets during the recent arctic blast. The operation was successful in enrolling 100 percent of all eligible Veterans who came in during the arctic blast into VA medical center programs, but the fight is not over. The medical center asks for the community's

continued support to get the men and women who defended this country off the streets. Please print out [this](#) flier that has the National Homeless Veterans Hotline number, **1-877-424-3838**, and feel free to post it in your social organizations, churches and place of business. To continue reading about the fight to end Veteran homelessness, please visit this [link](#) or visit www.va.gov/homeless.

VA is Going Red for Women

February is American Heart Month. VA's Women's Health Services is proud to collaborate with the American Heart Association (AHA) to bring awareness and knowledge to women Veterans, their families and caregivers about heart disease and stroke. Heart disease is the number one killer of women. VA's largest female population— women Veterans aged 45-64— are facing their critical years for heart health. To learn more about "Going Red for Women", please visit this [link](#).



ECHO gives staff stepladder to career advancement



Four Martinsburg VA Medical Center (VAMC) staff members recently graduated from an intense 21-week program that provides health care professionals with health care education and job advancement assistance. The medical center's Expanding Careers and Health Care Opportunities (ECHO) graduates included Warren Webb, William Molitor, Gail Such and John Coleman. The Martinsburg VAMC offers two employee educational programs, School at Work (SAW) and ECHO to improve professional development and individual performance for staff members at the medical center. The SAW and ECHO programs are offered to staff of the medical center to enhance employee knowledge and help them achieve personal objectives. To read more, please visit this [link](#).

You are invited...

Come meet Gina and friends from "Pin-Ups for Vets" and help us celebrate the 1940s!

Friday, Feb. 28
1:30 - 3 p.m.
Room 1B-114

A poster for the "Pin-Ups for Vets" event. It features a woman in a black dress holding an American flag, standing on a balcony overlooking a lake. The poster includes a red stamp that says "AIR 6 MAIL" and "VETERANS AFFAIRS". The Martinsburg VAMC logo is at the bottom left of the poster.

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