VA HSR&D honors Veterans Day

VA’s Health Services Research and Development Service (HSR&D) is an integral part of VA’s quest for innovative solutions to today’s healthcare challenges, and HSR&D’s main mission is to identify, evaluate, and rapidly implement evidence-based strategies that improve the quality and safety of care delivered to Veterans. Our investigators conduct their work with one overarching goal: To improve the lives of Veterans and their families.

In honor of Veterans Day, our investigators express their thanks for Veterans’ contributions to our nation, and for their willingness to volunteer in research projects that ultimately help themselves—and other Veterans.

“Honestly, there is no way we could do the work we do without the input of Veterans. It’s never stopped surprising me how giving Veterans are, and how much they want to give back.

Amy Street, PhD, Center for Healthcare Organization and Implementation Research, VA Boston Healthcare System

The altruism that we see among Veterans and the willingness to commit their time to help other Veterans. It’s amazing.

Nicki Hastings, MD, MHSc, Director, Durham Center of Innovation to Accelerate Discovery and Practice Transformation, Durham, NC

It has been a sincere honor to deliver their feedback to our operational partners in the Office of Rural Health. We do this work for them, but we can’t do it without them.

Karen Drummond, PhD, Center for Mental Healthcare and Outcomes Research, North Little Rock, AR

Veterans have given of themselves to fight for us, and I think the least we can do is try to improve their healthcare system and improve their health. I am very grateful to have been given this chance to do this work.

Stephanie Taylor, PhD, Center for the Study of Healthcare Innovation, Implementation and Policy, VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System

If these women Veterans were not willing to share their time with us, their stories with us, this research could not happen.

Jessica Moreau, PhD, Center for the Study of Healthcare Innovation, Implementation and Policy, VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System

I really, really thank Veterans for their willingness to give back and to continue to serve by participating in research. Thank you, to all of our Veterans.

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