

# RURAL COLORADO VETERAN ENGAGEMENT GROUP



Research informs how your healthcare system operates and provides opportunities for change or growth. Sharing your perspectives and experiences, insights and suggestions during meetings can help researchers ensure their projects are centered around your needs.

## We are looking for Veterans who will:

- Share perspectives, insights, and information in constructive ways;
- Demonstrates interest in a variety of topics and perspectives;
- Listen well, respect differing opinions, and speak comfortably in a group;
- Look for opportunities to partner and collaborate on finding solutions;
- Maintain open and productive communication;
- Respect the limitations of the research environment in meeting their own individual needs.



## JOIN US FROM THE COMFORTS OF YOUR HOME:

*Virtual meetings allow Veterans who live far from our research offices to share their voices about what is important to them.*

*We strive to listen to ALL veterans who want to be heard. Technology like Zoom and our telephones can help us ensure that **distance will never be a problem.***

## Veterans who serve on our board can expect to:

1. Meet with VA researchers and other rural Colorado Veterans during regularly scheduled virtual meetings every other month.
2. Provide feedback on VA research, educational, and quality improvement projects with the intent of improving care and resources for rural Veterans.
3. Evaluate aspects of programs and materials to ensure they are relevant and useful to rural Veterans and caregivers, and,
4. Be compensated for their time and effort (up to \$300 annually).

**Diversity is important.** We believe that our community is enriched and enhanced by diversity along a number of dimensions including different abilities and disabilities, race, ethnicity and national origins, gender identity and expression, sexuality, class and religion. We are committed to increasing the representation of these populations and encourage you to apply to be members of the Rural Colorado Veteran Engagement Group.

## Interested in joining or have questions?

- Call Amber Lane at (303) 406-1576 for questions
- Submit the Statement of Interest (on the next page/backside of this flyer) to Keltly Fehling ([Keltly.fehling@va.gov](mailto:Keltly.fehling@va.gov)) or Amber Lane ([amber.lane2@va.gov](mailto:amber.lane2@va.gov)).
- Complete a virtual interview with group liaisons.

