

Important VA Numbers

**FOR VETERANS OUTSIDE
COLUMBUS AREA:
CALL TOLL FREE
1-(888)-838-6446**

**FOR LOCAL CALLS
Monday – Friday
8 AM – 4:00 PM:
257-5200**

Clinic Hours/Days

**Monday-Friday
8 am – 4:30 pm
Closed Holidays**

**Prescription refills number
(Please call at least a week before
your medications runs out):**

**1-614-257-5711
or
1-888-615-9448**

**Medication Questions:
(Pharmacist)
1-614-257-5230**



OEF/OIF SUPPORT GROUP

Information for Veterans of
Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF)
in Afghanistan, Operation Iraq
Freedom (OIF) in Iraq, and
Operation Allied Force in Kosovo

Chalmers P. Wylie
Outpatient Clinic
543 Taylor Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43203



Who is eligible for the Columbus VA OPC OEF/OIF Support Group?

The Department of Veterans Affairs has implemented policies and procedures providing for 2 years – beginning on the date of separation from active duty military service -- free health care services and nursing home care for veterans who served in certain combat location during their active military service.

Veterans are eligible if they served on active duty in a theater of combat operations during a period of war after the Gulf War or in combat against a hostile force during a period of “hostilities” after November 11, 1998, and have been discharged under other than dishonorable conditions. *

*Veteran Health Admin, Dec. 2003

All veteran’s eligibilities will be determined (be sure to bring DD214 when reporting) at the time of registering with a VA health care facility. Veterans will then be enrolled in VA medical care and eligible for services.

Why was Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) Operation Iraq Freedom (OIF) Support Group Meetings created?

The purpose of the OEF/OIF Support Group Meeting, held the first Monday of every month from 6p-7:30p, is to provide education and support to veterans having problems with transitioning back into civilian life. Topics covered in meetings include: anxiety, depression, parental roles, job adjustment conflicts, financial stressors, and topics suggested or requested by group member. For further information contact:

**Kay Adams, MSW,LISW
OEF/OIF Support Group
Social Worker
614-257-5695**

VA TELE – NURSE Telephone Referral Service



The VA now offers telephone advice services to veterans 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Call the VA TELE-NURSE if you have symptoms, questions, or need advice about any health problem. If your symptoms are not serious, you may not need an appointment. The VA TELE-NURSE will tell you how to treat the problem at home. The VA TELE-NURSE can also give you advice, information, counseling and referrals to the nearest VA Hospital or Clinic.

For Veterans outside Columbus area:
**CALL TOLL FREE
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