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VA and PGA Offer Golf Program to Veterans

Mount Morris, NY, February 7, 2020 – Veterans are invited to participate in a golf program beginning on Sunday, February 9, 2020 from 7pm to 9pm and continuing weekly until March 15, 2020 at the Paddock Chevrolet Golf Dome, 175 Brompton Road in Tonawanda. The program is organized by VA Western New York Healthcare System Recreation Therapy in partnership with the Professional Golf Association (PGA) Hope program.

Golf lessons will be given by local PGA professionals to Veterans as part of the program. Participants will also be provided with equipment if needed, training aids, balls and access to the golf dome at no cost. Veterans are encouraged to contact Patrick McGowan at 716-862-7376 or by email at Patrick.McGowan2@va.gov to participate.

According to the program organizers, golf is one of many therapeutic programs offered to Veterans enrolled in VA Western New York Healthcare System. Recreation and creative arts therapies focus on health promotion, disease prevention and improving quality of life by enhancing and maintaining motor, physical, social, and cognitive functioning. These therapies provide opportunities to build confidence, develop coping skills, and integrate the skills learned in treatment settings into community settings. Most of all, recreation and creative arts therapies provide a spectrum of services, opportunities, and choice for Veterans across the continuum of care to maximize their rehabilitation potential, increase independence, and sustain a healthy and meaningful leisure lifestyle.

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