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VA Western New York Healthcare System Celebrates Hispanic American Heritage Month

Everyone is invited to join in celebrations at VA Western New York Healthcare System as each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. Events have been planned in keeping with the 2013 theme, "Diversity United, Building America's Future Today".

On Wednesday, September 19, the Latin Jazz Project will perform from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Veterans Park at the Buffalo VA Medical Center, 3495 Bailey Avenue. On October 5 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., in Freedom Hall in Buffalo, Sergio Rodriguez, Office of Veterans and Military Affairs at Medaille College, President of the Los Tainos Senior Citizens Center, presents, Hispanics and the Military, Discussion of the Hispanic Veteran Memorial, Buffalo Naval Park".

At the Batavia VA Medical Center, 222 Richmond Avenue, on September 26, an interactive Zumba demonstration will be held from noon to 1 p.m. in the Auditorium. Also in the Batavia Auditorium, on October 5, festivities include presentation about Mexico's Independence Day at 11 a.m., a salsa cook-off at 1 p.m., history of the piñata at noon followed by breaking the piña.

All events are hosted by VA Western New York Healthcare System's Hispanic American Special Emphasis Committee, and sponsored by the Equal Employment Opportunity Committee.

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