



## VA BUTLER HEALTHCARE 2014 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM

For youth, volunteering is a life learning opportunity that instills a sense of civic responsibility that hopefully will remain as youth grow into adulthood. At VA Butler, youth volunteers enjoy a unique life learning experience of helping Americas' heroes – Veterans – by engaging them in fun, therapeutic activities and conversations about their life and military experiences. The intergenerational interaction between the youth and the Veteran generates understanding, respect, and appreciation – and for the Veteran, memories and feelings of their youth.

By volunteering at VA Butler Healthcare you are

- Serving the needs of those who served and are serving our great nation
- Building strong and lasting relationships, making new friends
- Doing purposeful work that creates a sense of value
- Experiencing living history through one-to-one interaction with Veterans
- Improving your health by being physically and mentally active

Adult and youth volunteers at VA Butler Healthcare enjoy many benefits, none greater than the opportunity to give back to the Veteran and care for them when they need us the most.

VA Butler's Summer Youth Program is also designed to provide youth the opportunity to develop and enhance necessary life and work skills such as commitment, responsibility, teamwork and leadership. Volunteering is a worthwhile endeavor and looks good on a job resume and/or college application.

## 2014 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The Summer Youth Program will run from June 16 through September 12, 2014. Youth will be completing the assignment "**Supportive Services**" which entails the following activities:

8am – 9:30am	Escort patients from buses to ADHC
9:30am -12pm	Assist with Open Recreation activities in CLC and lunch-time needs
12 – 12:30	Lunch
12:30pm – 2pm	Assist with ADHC activities & escort to buses, clean-up ADHC
2pm – 4pm	Voluntary Service activities

\*ADHC – Adult Day Healthcare

\*CLC – Community Living Center

The assignment can be completed in whole, 8-4, or in half days of 8-12 or 12-4.

Only 20 youth will be accepted into the program with no more than 4 youth on any given day (with the exception of days for special events). Requirements to participate are as follows:

- Youth must be 14 to 17 years of age.
- Must have parental consent.
- Agrees to provide 50 hours of service and to volunteer at least once a week. (**Note: Family vacations and other obligations must be reviewed prior to the orientation session.**)
- Complete the **2014 Summer Youth Volunteer Program Packet** - packets can be mailed, emailed or downloaded from VA Butler's website at [www.butler.va.gov](http://www.butler.va.gov), in the "volunteer or donate" section.
- Attend the orientation session.
  - Youth must present/have a photo ID on the day of orientation. If no photo ID is available, parents will need to present themselves to the Voluntary Services Coordinator with proof of ID along with their child's birth certificate.

## ORIENTATION AND SCHEDULING SESSION

The Summer Youth Program orientation and scheduling session will be held on Saturday, June 7, 2014, from 9am—3pm at VA Butler Healthcare's auditorium. Lunch will be provided. **There will be no other trainings offered for the Summer Youth Program.**

On the day of orientation, youth should come prepared to confirm their days of service for the Summer Youth Program. Dates for the Summer Youth Program are June 16 – September 12.

**Deadline to submit completed packets and register for orientation is Friday, May 30, 2014.**

For more information, persons are to contact Paula McCarl, Voluntary Services Coordinator, at 724-285-2575 or e-mail at [Paula.McCarl@va.gov](mailto:Paula.McCarl@va.gov).



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## COVER SHEET

(PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size (adult sizes): \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Application Packet Checklist:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Cover Sheet – completed and signed
- \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Application with Attachment A
- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Scheduling Calendar
- \_\_\_\_\_ Consent for photo release

**Orientation and Scheduling Session: June 7, 2014, 9am – 3pm, VA Butler Healthcare, Auditorium**

### Youth Consent:

By my signature below, I consent to participating in VA Butler Healthcare's Summer Youth Program and I agree to provide at least 50 hours of service during the specified timeframe for the program. I understand that there will be only **one** training for the Summer Youth Program. Should I fail to make that training, I will not be eligible to participate in the Summer Youth Program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Youth

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Please submit your completed application packet by May 30, 2014,** to: Paula McCarl, Voluntary Services Coordinator, VA Butler Healthcare, 325 New Castle Road, Butler, PA 16001 or in person, building 1, room 207-C. For more information, contact Paula McCarl at: 724-285-2575 or email: [Paula.McCarl@va.gov](mailto:Paula.McCarl@va.gov).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

**2014 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM SCHEDULING CALENDAR**

**JUNE 2014**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 ←	2	3	4	5	6 →	7 Summer Youth Orientation
8 ←	9	10	11	12	13	14 →
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Special event – Picnic 11-2	26	27	28
29	30					

\*June 25 – special event – can use more than 4 volunteers this day.

**JULY 2014**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Holiday	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Special Event – Carnival 12-4	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

\*July 15 – special event – can use more than 4 volunteers this day.

**AUGUST 2014**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

**SEPTEMBER 2014**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day Holiday	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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