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LEBANON VA MEDICAL CENTER TO HOST GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

Lebanon, PA – Lebanon VA Medical Center will host a groundbreaking ceremony for the North East Consolidated Patient Account Center (CPAC) on Tuesday, June 1, 2010, at 3 p.m. The event will be held in front of Building 2.

The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) has selected Lebanon, Pennsylvania, as the host location for its North East CPAC, as part of an initiative underway within the Department of Veterans Affairs to improve billing and collection activities throughout its network of 170 medical centers and over 1200 clinics across the United States. The North East CPAC will provide traditional hospital business office functions for all VHA treatment locations within the Northeastern corridor, which is represented by Veterans Integrated Service Networks (VISNs) 1 through 4.

“Lebanon was selected over other locations within the region based upon a review of several criteria including availability and condition of existing VA-owned space, construction costs, quality of life, cost of living, local labor market conditions and the ability to recruit professional and technical staff,” said Robert W. Callahan, Lebanon VA Medical Center Director. “The selected site located on the Lebanon VA Medical Center campus will undergo renovations to create a state-of-the-art facility tailored for the business office.” The renovation project is tentatively scheduled to begin in late 2009 and will be completed in 2011.

The CPAC, which will be fully operational by September 2012, will bring approximately 450 new jobs to the Lebanon VA Medical Center campus. Positions available at the CPAC will include insurance billing and accounts receivable follow-up, accounting, education and training, utilization review, quality assurance, and administrative support. Local community colleges also report that enrollment in related training has increased as Lebanon Valley residents prepare themselves for these opportunities. The CPAC will bring approximately \$31 million in salary to the local economy. Recruitment for these positions is expected to begin in April/May 2011. All jobs will be posted on www.usajobs.gov.

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