**Veterans Day Parade 2017**

**Theme: “A Grateful Nation Salutes Gulf War era Veterans”**

**Rules**:

1. No operable firearms are permitted on Federal property, and no discharging of any type of firearms is allowed.
2. All entries will be reviewed by the committee prior to participation in the parade. A brief description of the entry is appreciated.
3. No throwing anything to the crowds along the parade route. Outriders will be allowed with prior approval of the committee.
4. If you are a performing group, you must perform on the parade route without interrupting the progress of the parade unless approval has been obtained from the parade committee.
5. The Grand Marshal Award will be judged by the parade’s Grand Marshal(s).
6. The trophy presentation will be made immediately following the parade at the stage located at the front of the hospital. We ask that you or your designee come to the front of the hospital after the parade for the award presentation.
7. No sirens or horns.
8. No soliciting.

Upon receipt of your application, we will send confirmation of your entry. The line-up time for each entry, the staging area assignment and a map of the staging and parade areas will be communicated to the group leader by November 10, 2017. However, all entries are asked to be lined-up in the staging area no later than one hour before the parade start time.

Entries may be faxed or emailed to the parade committee to the attention of Annette Allen, FAX # 615-225-3793 or e-mail Annette.allen@va.gov.

For further information, please contact Annette Allen, phone 615-225-3786 or e-mail Annette.allen@va.gov.

**Please share this information with any group or organization who may be interested in participating in the parade, volunteering to assist with the parade or come out and watch the parade. This event is free and open to the public.**