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Veteran portraits on display at VA medical center

NEW ORLEANS – The Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System has installed a new Veterans portrait exhibit titled “Faces of VA” at the Veterans medical center at 2400 Canal Street in New Orleans.

The exhibit features Veterans who are patients of the VA health care system sharing their stories. The opening of the display coincides with National Vietnam War Veterans Day.

“It’s nice to see a shared goal of health and well-being among our diverse population of Veterans, which reflects the community we serve.”

One Veteran depicted in portrait is Kenneth Frick, an Army Veteran who said that serving during the Vietnam War helps him appreciate the things people take for granted. One of the things that helps him through hard times is focusing on that appreciation for what he has. Frick’s photo is one of more than 100 featured in “Faces of VA.”

In a portrait of Michael Medlin, a Navy Veteran, he wears a Vietnam Veteran hat decorated with ribbons and pins related to his service. He has been coming to VA for health care since 1977 and said that he has “seen a lot of advances in VA health care as well as quality of service.” Medlin appreciates the coordinated care he receives from VA, adding, “I choose VA because the various teams coordinate with other departments to keep on the same page of medical understanding.”

“Faces of VA” is currently on display in the public areas of the Veterans medical center through May 28.

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