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## POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony

NEW ORLEANS – On September 21, Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System will commemorate National Former Prisoner of War Recognition Day, in coordination with the American Legion, at the Veterans medical center at noon.

The ceremony will be held at the flagpole near the main entrance of the new Veterans medical center on Galvez Street in New Orleans.

National POW/MIA Recognition Day honors our missing service members and their families, and highlights the commitment to account for them. Ceremonies are held across the country on Recognition Day.

Lester “Les” Cromwell, past Louisiana American Legion commander said, “On Recognition Day we recognize and honor our fallen soldiers who have served our nation and other nations as prisoners of war and confirm our commitment to accounting for all of them who remain missing today.”

“We are grateful to the American Legion for partnering with us to once again hold this important event to recognize the men and women who gave up their freedom to protect ours” said SLVHCS Medical Center Director Fernando O. Rivera, FACHE

For more information about the new Veterans medical center, clinic locations and other services available to Veterans in southeast Louisiana, visit the website [www.neworleans.va.gov](http://www.neworleans.va.gov), Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, keyword: VANewOrleans.

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