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BEDFORD VA Medical Center Enhancing Rehabilitation Facilities

BEDFORD – Congressmen John Tierney visited Bedford VA to celebrate the increase in rehabilitation services and enhanced facilities for Veterans.

“Veterans have been taking advantage of the expanded pool and gym hours. They are using the facilities to train throughout the year for the Annual Veterans Golden Age Games. Bedford VA Recreation Therapy now uses the gym space for wheelchair sports, training clinics and fly fishing programs. What’s neat is the diversity of populations seen from WWII to OEF/OIF Veterans. Coming together for recreation is contagious!” ... Said Felicia Hall, Recreational Therapist at Bedford VAMC.

Tammy Follensbee, Director, Bedford VA was pleased to have Veterans from Bedford VAMC at this year’s Veterans Golden Age Games. Veterans placed in many categories including a gold medal in the 25yd Free Swim, bronze in Air Rifle, gold in Croquet, and bronze in golf.

Ms. Follensbee offered, “I heard from Veterans about how thankful they were to receive support from Glen Heavy, Chief of Sensory and Rehabilitation Services and his staff along with VAVS for getting them there and back. The Golden Age Games participants enjoyed the time spent with other Veterans from around the globe and made many valuable connections. It is wonderful to have staff commit time to support Veterans. “

For further information about Bedford VA gym and pool activities please contact Mr. Glen Hevy, Chief, Sensory and Physical Rehabilitation Service at (781) 687-3053.

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