

VOLUNTEER NOW FOR THE VIRGINIA RAM EVENTS!

Two RAM (Remote Area Medical) events in Virginia, at Wise and Grundy, will again take place this year. Continued support and assistance by District 24-E Lions with these two events is encouraged.

RAM - WISE
July 23-25, 2010
Wise County Fairground
Wise, Virginia

The following is a listing of hotels/motels in the area. Call in advance for reservations. If a facility is booked, you may put your name on a waiting list.

Best Western Wise 276 328-3500

Days Inn Norton 276 679-5340

Holiday Inn Norton 276 679-6655

Inn at Norton 276 679-7000

Ramada Norton 276 679-3000

Super 8 Norton 276 679-0893

RAM - GRUNDY
October 2-3, 2010
Riverview Elementary School
Grundy, Virginia

Call the Breaks Interstate Park at 276 865-4413 for room reservations.

These RAM events at Wise and Grundy provide free medical, dental, and vision care for people in remote areas who cannot afford health care or who do not have access to health care. Each year these events have grown in the number of people seen, in the number of patient encounters, in the value of care rendered, in the number of medical/dental personnel, and in the number of general volunteers. Your assistance and support is needed. If you cannot volunteer for the entire event, do what you can.

To learn more about RAM, and to fill out the volunteer form, go to www.ramusa.org. If you plan to volunteer at Wise and/or at Grundy, please notify Lion Cliff DeMars at demarsct@cox.net so he can have your volunteer badge ready for you when you check in.

REMOTE AREA MEDICAL
Wise RAM Volunteer Registration Form
Registration Deadline: July 1, 2010
(Registrations may not be accepted after this date)

Date(s): July 23-25, 2010 Location: Wise, Virginia Country: USA

NAME: _____ PHONE (primary): _____

ADDRESS: _____ EMAIL: _____

PROFESSION: _____

JOB ASSIGNMENT (CIRCLE ONE)

Medical: MD DO FNP PA **Triage:** RN LPN EMT **Pharmacy:** Pharmacist Certified Pharmacy Tech

Vision: Ophthalmologist Optician Optometrist Optical Tech Support OTHER: _____

Dental: Dentist Dental Hygienist Dental Assistant Dental Support OTHER: _____

Patient Registration **Volunteer Registration** **Patient Escort** **Security** **Grounds** **Parking** **Other:** _____

DATES/SHIFTS FOR WHICH YOU ARE VOLUNTEERING (Preference is given to volunteers who can work all day) Circle all that apply:

Friday, July 23: 6am – 12 noon 12 noon – 6pm Saturday, July 24: 6am – 12 noon 12 noon – 6pm Sunday, July 25: 6am – 12 noon

Volunteers are needed many days prior to RAM to mow, weed-eat, spruce up the Fairgrounds, and set-up for the event. Volunteers to assist with parking are needed early each morning of the event. Security personnel are needed throughout the event. General Volunteers are needed Thursday afternoon, Sunday afternoon, and Monday following RAM as well. Volunteers are needed for patient registration at the Wise County Health Department on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday during RAM, as well as during the following week to help with patient counts, verifying records, etc. If you are interested in any of the duties mentioned above, please indicate dates, times, and duties for which you are volunteering in the space below:

Compliance Statement

I hereby attest that my license/certificate is not restricted, suspended or revoked nor is any such action pending, pursuant to disciplinary proceedings in any jurisdiction. **A COPY OF MY CURRENT STATE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE AND DEAH (where applicable) IS ATTACHED HERETO.** If functioning as a Nurse Practitioner or Physician's Assistant at RAM, the supervising physician of record must also be present.

Confidentiality Statement

I understand that while I am participating as a registered volunteer at the Remote Area Medical Clinic, it is mandatory that I maintain complete privacy and confidentiality of all patients. This pertains to all present and future digital, written and verbal communications referring to any Remote Area Medical Clinic patient. I also understand that unless I am obtaining information strictly for patient registration, **I DO NOT ASK** a patient any questions regarding medical insurance coverage, Medicaid, or Medicare. Further I agree not to photograph or record patients while at RAM. With my signature on the line below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to adhere to this policy of confidentiality for the Remote Area Medical Clinic.

Release and Indemnification

I hereby release and indemnify Remote Area Medical, a non-profit organization, and all its respective officers, directors, agents, contractors, heirs, successors and assigns, from prosecution or presentation of any claim for bodily injury or death or for property loss or damage incurred in connection with this Remote Area Medical expedition or related activities.

Printed Name

Signature

State(s) of Licensure(s)/Certification(s)

Remote Area Medical is a 501(c)(3) medical relief charity located at 1834 Beech Street, Knoxville, TN 37920, 423-579-1530

Clinical Volunteers: Medical/Licensed Health Professional Volunteers (doctors, nurses, therapists, pharmacists, etc): Please return form and copy of current license (if applicable) to: Wendy Welch, 1 College Avenue, Wise, VA 24293 or FAX to 276-328-0295. Questions may be directed to medvolunteers@ramc.org or Wendy Welch at (276)376-4882.

Non-Clinical General Volunteers: Please return form to: Stacey Ely, Mountain States Health Alliance, 32 6th Street, Bristol, TN 37620 or FAX to: 423-764-1172. Questions may be directed to ramvolunteers@msha.com or Stacey Ely at (423) 764-1137 or Bo Wilkes at (423) 431-1002.

TIPS FOR RAM VOLUNTEERS

The Remote Area Medical Health Expedition (RAM) will take place at the Wise County Fairgrounds in Wise, Virginia on July 23-25, 2009. The deadline for Volunteer Registration is July 1, 2009 (registrations may not be accepted after this date).

Questions may be directed to: The Health Wagon at (276) 835-9474, Clinical/Medical Volunteers may contact Wendy Welch at (276) 376-4882, and Non-Clinical General Volunteers may contact Stacey Ely at (423) 764-1137 or Bo Wilkes at (423) 431-1002. If you are helping with pre- RAM and post- RAM duties (set-up, clean-up, etc.), please turn in those hours at the Volunteer Registration table during the event.

We look forward to working with you!

- ⚡ Exhibitors/Vendors need to complete a separate vendor application. We reserve the right to limit the number of volunteers that accompany the exhibit due to overtaxing the event resources such as volunteer food, etc. We recommend no more than 10 people per exhibit. Prior approval to bring more than 10 needs to be approved by Mike Waddell at 276-870-2232/ Email michael.waddell@hdfairburton.com
- ⚡ Please note that parking inside the fairgrounds is not allowed. Loading and unloading is permitted but the vehicle must be promptly moved to the designated volunteer parking area.
- ⚡ A brief general orientation will be held at 6:00 PM on Thursday at the Wise County Fairgrounds. Smaller group orientation meetings will be held EARLY on Friday morning for each individual group (Medical, Dental, Vision, Patient Registration, Volunteer Registration, Patient Escort, etc.). All Volunteers are encouraged to attend at least one orientation meeting.
- ⚡ You will need to bring proof of your professional licensure (M.D., D.O., DDS, R.N., N.P., P.A. etc.) if applicable. This should not apply if you have already pre-registered with us.
- ⚡ Please wear your institutional I.D. badge.
- ⚡ Due to the great desire on the part of many professionals to assist and the publicity that this event has received, the number of volunteers in all categories has increased greatly, for which we are most grateful. However, please be advised that if you have not pre-registered prior to the deadline noted, we cannot guarantee that we will have space to accommodate you working in your area of expertise; your services may still be useful and will be much appreciated as a general volunteer.
- ⚡ Individuals registered as volunteers are not allowed to receive patient services until ALL patients have been seen, except in emergency situations. If you wish to receive patient services, you must register as a patient. We suggest that you do this first and volunteer after having received the patient services that you need. Dental and vision services generally are not available to volunteers registered as patients due to the large number of patients who register for these services.
- ⚡ When arriving at the RAM site, parking attendant staff will direct you to the Volunteer Parking area. Proceed to the "Volunteer" registration table to check in. A bar coding system will be used to track Volunteer hours so it is very important that you register before going "on duty". Be sure to check out at the end of each day as well. Due to limited parking spaces, carpooling to the event is strongly encouraged.
- ⚡ Bring your own diagnostic equipment (such as otoscope/ophthalmoscope, stethoscope, blood pressure cuff, etc) as they are only available in limited quantity. If you have a favorite instrument, please bring it with you. Basic supplies will be available (gloves, hand sanitizer, etc).
- ⚡ If you have prescriptive authority, please bring your own tamper-proof prescription pads. You will not be allowed to prescribe any medications if you do not.
- ⚡ All medications donated to the event are to be given over to the on-site pharmacy for dispensing to patients. No samples or other stock medication are to be kept at other locations.
- ⚡ Food and cool drinks will be provided for all volunteers.
- ⚡ Prepare for all kinds of weather. It may be cold in the morning and oftentimes it will be hot by the afternoon. Although there is shelter in many areas, rain is always a possibility so consider bringing rainwear as well. Casual attire is recommended (scrubs, shorts or jeans, tee shirts, tennis shoes).
- ⚡ Remember to bring bug deterrent and sunscreen.

RAM IS A TOBACCO-FREE EVENT! NO PETS ALLOWED (SERVICE ANIMALS ONLY).

LODGING IN THE WISE COUNTY AREA

(Listed in order of closest to the Wise County Fairgrounds)

* When you make your reservations, let them know you are coming for RAM *

Best Western: Wise, VA on Rt. 23 – (276) 328-3500

Journey's Inn: 9050 Camp Bethel Rd., Wise, VA 1-800-359-4049
or (276) 328-6876

Holiday Inn Express: Downtown Norton, VA- (276) 679-6655 or 1-888-HOLIDAY

The Inn at Norton (formerly the Holiday Inn): Norton, VA (at the Rt. 23 and Rt. 58 Junction) – (276) 679-7000

Super 8 Motel: Norton (at the Rt. 58/Rt. 23 Junction) – (276) 679-0893

Days Inn: Newly remodeled (at the Rt. 58/Rt. 23 junction Norton) –
1-800-DAYSINN or (276) 679-5340

Carriage Hill Motel: (on Rt. 23N, 2 miles North of Wise) – (276) 328-8071

Comfort Inn: 1928-B Wildcat Road (on Rt. 23 South in Big Stone Gap, VA)
1-800-4CHOICE or (276) 523-5911

Country Inn: (627 Gilley Avenue, Big Stone Gap) – (276) 523-0374

Clayburn Inn: (9437 Orby Cantrell Hwy – Rt. 23N, Pound, VA) – (276) 796-9199

Southern Heritage Motels (formerly the Travelers Motel): (one in Clintwood, VA and one in Pound, VA)
– (276) 796-5428

Dorm Rooms at UVA-Wise: limited availability. Contact Julie Scott at (276) 376-1000
or email: jba4f@uvawise.edu

Note: If you choose to stay in Abingdon, VA or Kingsport, TN, plan for a 1 ½ hour commute to the Wise County Fairgrounds.