

## The Center Joints VA Urgent Care/Walk-In Retail Health Clinic Network

BEND, OR, UNITED STATES, November 9, 2020 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Center Orthopedic & Neurosurgical Care & Research is thrilled to announce its most recent partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and their community care partner, TriWest Healthcare Alliance. Through this partnership, The Center's NOWcare walk-in service is now one of Central Oregon's only urgent care/walk-in health clinics to provide quick and convenient orthopedic, neurosurgical, and physiatry care benefits to veterans who are enrolled in VA's health care



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system. Veterans may now access The Center's NOWcare walk-in service without preauthorization for non-emergency care for any new injury that has not been addressed by a healthcare provider prior to their visit.

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The Center administration has collectively worked to build this partnership with Veterans Affairs to increase the ease of access to high-quality, specialty care for our Central Oregon veterans. The partnership has come at a critical time of year when the seasons are changing and snow and ice are in the near future, which can be the cause of numerous injuries for veterans in the area. "In the past, veterans who would first come to NOWcare for a non-emergent injury without prior authorization from the VA could not be seen by a Center provider. This initiative was sparked because we wanted our NOWcare service to be

easily accessed by the <u>veteran community</u>, especially by those dealing with immediate pain. We have been working hard to establish this relationship with the VA so that we can quickly serve patients in need, and give them the necessary care right away," states Elizabeth Yos, patient services supervisor for The Center.

With Veterans Day approaching on November 11, it's a time to remember that veterans contribute to American society in many ways, not just during their time in active duty. Supporting those who have sacrificed an immense amount for us, and providing them with the highest quality of care will continue to honor all who served. Providing this level of care for veterans is fostered through building relationships such as The Center has established with Veteran Affairs. The Center is privileged and honored to provide care for the veterans in Oregon. They are grateful to all of those who have served our country, including their own providers, Dr. David Brown, Dr. James Hall, Thom Dernbach, PA-C, and Mike Wulf, PA-C.

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