

HOSPITAL PROGRAM 2023-2024

OBJECTIVE: It is the objective of the MOC Hospital Program to encourage all MOC members to actively participate in hospital visitations and volunteer work. A goal of \$250.00 credit per Cootie has been established for the 2023-2024 program year.

SUPREME HOSPITAL PROGRAM NOTE: For the 2023-2024 program year; the reporting program will be the new web-based reporting system and will be utilized by all Pup Tents and Grands. Effective 1 June 2023, ALL Supreme Hospital Districts and Supreme Hospital District Commissioner positions will be dissolved. All Supreme level reports approvals/disapprovals will be the responsibility of the Supreme Hospital Commissioner with the assistance of the Deputy Supreme Hospital Commissioners.

FORMS

The Hospital reporting Program link is located on the Supreme website under the Hospital tab at https://www.lotcs.org/forms.

CREDIT ALLOWANCE

- Transportation Credit: \$0.14 per mile per Cootie, for visitation and transportation of veterans to and from hospitals, domiciles, nursing homes, etc., where sick veterans are visited, excluding family members. **Tolls:** Report actual cost under "mileage" as required.
- Hours: All volunteer visitation, preparation hours, and travel time credited at \$31.80 per hour per Cootie. Travel time limited to actual hours expended.
- Veteran's Funeral Credit: Credit each Cootie at \$31.80 per hour, for the number of hours it may require and \$0.14 per mile round trip for attendance at any veteran's funeral. (If more than one Cootie rides in a vehicle, only the driver of the vehicle gets the mileage credit.) Remember that deceased veterans deserve an Honor
- Warrior Call Credit: Calling veterans to check on welfare, comradeship, and keeping the lines of communication open. Record call time per veteran called in hours block.
- Mail/Correspondence Credit: Pen Pal letters, One-way cards or One-way letters get 0.2 (twelve minutes) per letter or card with materials/postage cost of \$4.00 listed as a "Gift".
- Gifts: Actual retail cost of the item, by definition "gifts" include anything bought by the MOC for use or appreciation by the hospitalized veteran. For homemade or home-grown items, the cost is estimated, but never more than retail. Used items are reported at no more than one half their actual costs, keeping in mind the useful life of the item. Operation UP-LINK Calling card donations are credited under this section of the hospital report form.
- Clothing Credit: Itemize all clothing on the Hospital Chairperson's report form or attach to the report an itemized consolidated sheet. Using the following guides for costs on used items; https://goodwillnne.org/ donate/ donation-value-guide/ or https://satruck.org/home/DonationValueGuide
- Hospital Equipment: Donated hospital equipment can be credited, but hospital equipment loaned to individuals is reported to your VFW Post Hospital Program.
- Blood Donations: Report all blood donations to the Supreme Blood Program Chairman at https://lotcs.org/ blood.html.

PUP TENT LEVEL PROGRAM

- Each Pup Tent Seam Squirrel shall appoint a PUP TENT HOSPITAL CHAIRPERSON.
- The Pup Tent Hospital Chairperson is to coordinate and encourage the Pup Tent to take an active part in hospital visitations and volunteer work.
- The Pup Tent Hospital Chairperson shall keep accurate records of all activity and donations for the Pup Tent. The Hospital Chairperson shall consolidate the information and utilize Hospital Chairperson's web-based reporting system. Pup Tent Hospital contributions will be reported monthly. Do not mix months on one sheet.
- The Pup Tent Hospital Chairperson shall accept all correctly reported data as performed. Final reports for the 2023-2024 Program Year will include all activity through 31 May 2024 and must be received by the Grand Hospital Chairperson no later than 3 June 2024.

BLACK DIVISION PUP TENT LEVEL PROGRAM

- 1. Each Pup Tent Seam Squirrel shall appoint a PUP TENT HOSPITAL CHAIRPERSON.
- The Pup Tent Hospital Chairperson is to coordinate and encourage the Pup Tent to take an active part in hospital visitations and volunteer work.
- 3. The Pup Tent Hospital Chairperson shall keep accurate records of all activity and donations for the Pup Tent. The Hospital Chairperson shall consolidate the individual report and put it on the proper Hospital Chairperson's report form. The Hospital Chairperson will then send (by mail or email) their report to the Supreme Hospital Commissioner.
- 4. The Pup Tent Hospital Chairperson shall accept all correctly reported data as performed. Final reports for the 2023-2024 Program Year will include all activity through 31 May 2024 and must be received by the Supreme Hospital Commissioner no later than 5 June 2024.

GRAND HOSPITAL LEVEL PROGRAM

- 1. Each Grand Seam Squirrel appoint a GRAND HOSPITAL CHAIRPERSON.
- 2. The Grand Hospital Chairperson shall encourage all Pup Tent members, within their jurisdiction, to take an active part in hospital visitation and volunteer work.
- 3. The Grand Hospital Chairperson shall keep accurate records of all activity and donations from information submitted to them from their Pup Tent Hospital Chairpersons.
- 4. The Grand Hospital Chairperson shall accept all correctly reported data as performed. Final reports for the 2023-2024 Program Year will include all activity through 31 May 2024 and must be received by the Supreme Hospital District Commissioner no later than 5 June 2024.
- Grand Hospital Chairpersons shall insure that their Pup Tents report each month's activity on the web-based reporting system. Please do not put more than one month's totals on each reporting form.
- 6. The Grand Hospital Chairperson shall consolidate all properly completed Hospital forms and attachments from Pup Tents and record these results onto the monthly Grand Hospital activity report form and forward the monthly report to Supreme Hospital Commissioner.

SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICTS LEVEL PROGRAM - IS DISOLVED

SUPREME COMMISSIONER/HEADQUARTERS LEVEL PROGRAM

- 1. The Supreme Commander shall appoint the SUPREME HOSPITAL COMMISSIONER.
- 2. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall ensure that the Supreme Hospital Program is operating within the highest traditions of the Military Order of the Cootie and the Veterans of Foreign Wars at all Veterans Administration medical facilities, community nursing homes, and other similar facilities.
- 3. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall encourage all Supreme District Hospital Commissioners, Grand Hospital Chairpersons and Pup Tent Hospital Chairpersons to take an active part in hospital visitation and volunteer work
- 4. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall accept all correctly reported data. Final reports for the 2023-2024 Program Year will include all activity through 31 May 2024 and shall be posted to the Supreme Hospital Reporting section of the Supreme website, no later than 10 June 2024.
- 5. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall keep accurate records of all activity and donations from information submitted to him/her from the Supreme District Commissioners.
- 6. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall ensure all required input reports are available for download on the Supreme website.
- 7. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall keep accurate records of all activity and donations from information submitted to them from the Black Division Pup Tent Hospital Chairpersons.
- 8. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall ensure each Pup Tent, Grand and Supreme Hospital District achieving 100% or greater in hospital work receives a citation at Supreme Convention.
- 9. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall advocate and encourage participation in the MOC VAVS Program.
- 10. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall provide a list of all Grands and Black Division Pup Tents that are 100% or greater in hospital work, to the Supreme Quartermaster.
- 11. The Supreme Hospital Commissioner shall provide the annual Hospital Program goals to the Cootie Courier for publication in the issue following the Supreme Convention and he shall provide pertinent data to the Cootie Courier and Webmaster for publication in each.

HOSPITAL PROGRAM AWARDS

- Each Pup Tent that achieves 100% in hospital work will receive a citation from Supreme at Supreme Convention.
- 2. Pup Tents that achieve 100% may purchase a 100% Hospital Program Plaque for display in their Post Home.
- 3. A Pup Tent Hospital Chairperson who achieves 100% may purchase a special 100% Hospital Program pin.
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- 6. Each Supreme District that achieves 100% will receive a citation from Supreme at Supreme Convention.
- 7. Grand Hospital Chairpersons can request 100% Hospital Program Certificates via email directly from the Supreme Hospital Commissioner prior to their Grand Convention.

SUPREME HOSPITAL COMMISSIONER

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