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Healing Wounded Warriors

Richmond, VA: Much of our medical practice and organization today was developed during the Civil War. While battles produced horrendous numbers of casualties; more men died from disease than on the battlefield. Medical treatment was to say the least not an advanced science in 1861. In 1862, the Union army established what is today the National Museum of Health and Medicine for the purpose of studying and improving medical conditions during the war but the effort to improve the care of the sick and wounded was not confined to one side in the conflict.

On March 27, 2010, the Museum of the Confederacy will sponsor a seminar titled *Binding the Wounds 1861- 2010*. The seminar will be held in the Baruch Auditorium of the 1845 National Historic Landmark Egyptian Building, the home of the Medical College of Virginia Hospital during the Civil War, at 1123 East Marshall Street on the campus of Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine in downtown Richmond.

SPEAKERS ARE: Mr. George C. Wunderlich, Executive Director of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine; Ms. Jodi Koste, Archivist and Head of Resources and Operations at the Tompkins-McCaw Library for the Health Sciences at VCU; Dr. James Neifeld, Stuart McGuire Professor and Chair, Department of Surgery, Virginia Commonwealth University; Dr. Charles Cook, Fellow, American College of Physicians; and, Lt. Colonel Justin Woodson, MD, of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, will present topics ranging from how medicine was practiced during the Civil War to how that practice has evolved to the present day.

The seminar will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$20 for museum members, \$15 for students, and \$25 for non-members. For information and to purchase tickets contact Sam Craghead at (804) 649-1861 x.13 or email samcraghead@moc.org, Tickets may also be purchased at the door or by accessing the museum's website www.moc.org. (Members must be logged in to receive discounted price). Follow the link for the seminar on the home page, then click the "Buy Tickets" button.

The Museum of the Confederacy is a private, nonprofit educational institution. The Museum and White House are located in downtown Richmond in the historic Court End neighborhood. Free parking is available in the MCV/VCU Hospitals Visitor/Patient parking deck adjacent to the Museum.

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