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## **Bolaños Brothers to Visit with Veterans at Phoenix VA Hospital**

The Bolaños Brothers have the distinction of being the only family in the United States to have had four brothers serving in Vietnam at the same time. **The Bolaños brothers will be visiting with veterans today in the Carl. T. Hayden VA Medical Center's Nursing Home Care Unit Dining room from 3 to 4 p.m.** The easiest access to the NHCU is from the 7<sup>th</sup> Street side of the hospital. Here several veterans will be gathered to hear stories from the Bolaños brothers.

During the Vietnam War four brothers from the lower valley in El Paso, answered their country's call and volunteered to serve in Vietnam. They were given a presidential citation from President Lyndon Johnson for their patriotism. They are also the most decorated family in the United States for the Vietnam war.

After their service Congress passed additional laws making it impossible for more than one member of a family to serve in a combat zone at a single time.

The brothers are in town in support of Senator John Kerry and are encouraging all veterans to vote in the upcoming presidential elections.

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*The Carl T. Hayden Veterans Affairs Medical Center has been serving veterans in Maricopa County since 1951. We are a level one tertiary care facility that offers a variety of services to more than 50,000 veterans. We currently have 150 inpatient beds for medical and surgical patients, 110 beds for nursing home patients and 48 inpatient beds for mental health patients. We are actively involved in training new medical and surgical residents to become certified physicians and are committed to medical research to help find cures for illness and disease. We are honored to serve our veterans.*