MOST IMPORTANT:
COMPLETE COPY OF MEDICAL RECORDS

WHAT TO BRING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT

VFW Pre-Discharge Representatives proudly serve:

- Transitioning service members within 180 days of separation.
- Veterans who are no more than 12 months beyond separation or retirement.

For all others, your local VFW service officer can be found at www.vfw.org/NVS

Please bring the following documents to your appointment:

- Complete Medical Records, CD format preferred, entry to present to include:
  (If you have any paper copy medical records, please do not staple, group, or tab)
  - AHLTA (Electronic Medical Records)
  - Digitized Hard Copy Military Records
  - Behavioral / Mental Health Records
  - Civilian Medical Records
  - Entry Physical

- Any Prior Service DD 214s (Member 4 copy)

- Banking information (Required for VA compensation direct deposit)

- DD 2807-1/Separation Physical. If you have not received a separation physical, please complete the DD 2807-1 through block 29 for the VA compensation claim.

  If you are married and/or have children under 18, or 18-23 in school full-time, you may claim them as dependents. You will need:

  - Current Marriage Certificate
  - Birth Certificates (Spouse/dependent children)
  - Divorce Decrees (Self and Spouse’s)
  - Social Security cards (Spouse/dependent children)
  - School Information for Children 18-23

To assist with the dependent claim, please review VA Form 21-686c (for all dependents) and VA Form 21-674 (for children 18-23) to ensure you have all the required information https://www.va.gov/vaforms/

*By law, VFW claims assistance is provided to eligible service members and veterans AT NO COST.  
*The VFW cannot serve veterans who receive discharges characterized as Dishonorable.

Please be on time so as not to impact other service members’ appointments. Late individuals may need to be rescheduled.