



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

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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.