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FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL BENEFITS UPDATE

NEWS UPDATE FOR FEDERAL BENEFITS



President Signed Improvements to Post-9/11 GI Bill Many Non-College Programs and State Service of Reserves and Guard Now Covered

The following information was found on the internet <http://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/>

WASHINGTON (Jan. 5, 2011) - To bring the educational benefits of the Post-9/11 GI Bill closer to more Veterans and Service Members, President Obama signed legislation Jan. 4 that streamlines the 18-month-old education program administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

"Since the first GI Bill in 1944, this unique educational program has adapted to the needs of America's Veterans, active-duty personnel, reservists and Guardsmen," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. "Like its forbearers, the Post-9/11 GI Bill is growing to ensure the men and women who serve this nation in uniform receive valuable education benefits from a grateful nation.

"On behalf of Veterans and the many who serve them at VA, we would like to thank the president for his support, as well as members of Congress and our Veterans service organization partners for helping make this bill a reality," Shinseki added.

Among the provisions of the legislation are:

- ◆ Paying for on-the-job training, some flight training; apprenticeship training and correspondence courses;
- ◆ Allowing reservists and Guardsmen to have their time supporting emergencies called by their state governors credited to the time needed to qualify for educational benefits;
- ◆ Providing one half of the national average for the program's housing

allowance to students enrolled in distance learning;

- ◆ Pro-rating the housing allowance to exclude payments when students are not in class;
- ◆ Allowing students on active duty receive the stipend for books and supplies;
- ◆ Allowing people eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill, but participating in VA's Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) benefits to choose between the GI Bill's housing allowance or VR&E's subsistence allowance;
- ◆ Permitting reimbursement for more than one "license and certification" test;
- ◆ Reimbursing fees to take national admission tests, such as SAT, ACT, GMAT and LSAT; and
- ◆ Establishing a national cap of \$17,500 annually for tuition and fees in a private or a foreign school, not including contributions by educational institutions under the "Yellow Ribbon" program.

More information is available on the Internet at www.gibill.va.gov.

By the end of December 2010, VA issued nearly \$7.2 billion in tuition, housing, and stipends for more than 425,000 Veterans or eligible family members pursuing higher education under the Post-9/11 GI Bill.

See page 10—Expanded Post -9/11 GI Bill—Summary of S. 3447 As Amended



COMMENTARY CORNER

By: Tom Ludka, Veterans Service Officer

BE PREPARED!

Do you remember that old Boy Scout motto? You recall that while you were in service you had to keep your gear and your weapons in working order or they will fail you at time of greatest need. What would you do if your rifle jammed, if those red lights on the panel illuminated, if the supply truck did not show up on time, if you were injured out in the field? How would you accomplish your mission? You needed a contingency plan in case of emergency. I am sure a seasoned NCO (or your mother) told you “Fail to plan then plan to fail.” In effect, you “reap what you sow” your actions have consequences.

What are you prepared for? As a CVSO, I routinely see people who seek assistance for a variety of benefits. Although no one plans to be in a difficult situation, we all at some point in our lives, end up in one. Have you ever talked to your family about your time in service? Do they know where your DD214 is? Do they know what your last wishes are? Do they know where and when you served? If the answer is no to the aforementioned questions then you are part of the problem and not part of the solution. It is difficult for family members at an emotionally charged time to help you when you did not communicate with them when you should have. It can be difficult for our office to produce documents or know what benefits we can assist with when you never took the steps to communicate with us when you should have. Have you ever come into the office to register your DD214?

A much broader question is, are you prepared for civil emergencies such as flood, tornado, fire, gas leaks, train derailment or a terrorist attack? Although governments at all levels have emergency response plans, are you prepared to survive until emergency responders can get to you? What would you do if basic service, such as water, gas, electricity, or telephone, were cut off? Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but they cannot reach everyone immediately. If it takes a few days, what would you do? Families can cope with disaster by preparing in advance and working together as a team. Preparing a disaster supply kit, and creating and practicing a family disaster plan may be your best protection.

The Waukesha County Emergency Preparedness website is <http://www.waukeshacounty.gov/defaultwc.aspx?id=37225> The site contains important information for you and your family. Take a few minutes and check it out. The Red Cross website also contains great information. Go to <http://www.redcross.org/> select the “Preparing and Getting Trained” tab. You will find information on creating an emergency plan, what to have in a home first aid kit and how to keep informed in an emergency. If you do not have internet service go to your local public library and ask for their assistance.

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Do not procrastinate, have a plan or plan for chaos at the worst possible time!

THE KIDS NEED YOUR HELP

The Recognizing Outstanding Kids (ROKs) is a committee of the Waukesha Department of Health and Human Services, (DHHS). Part of the

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mission of the committee is to host a Client Art Show. At risk youth, ages 5 to 17 participate in this show. There are two pieces of their work hanging outside the Veteran Service office. One is the flag raising on Iwo Jima. The other a patriotic painting depicting The United States of America.

Any child who is working with DHHS is eligible to participate. Last year over 60 youths participated in this non-competitive event. This provides them an opportunity to do something positive with their talent. Each artist receives a framed certificate from the County Executive Dan Vrakas. This event means a lot to these kids, their families and our community. Encouraging a positive outlet for their talent benefits everyone.

You have an opportunity to help. Many of our Veteran Posts and organizations include some aspect of support for Children and Youth in our communities. Besides your National programs there is always an opportunity to show your support for kids from your own community, in this case Waukesha County. Since many of these kids come from disadvantage backgrounds your financial support is needed. Purchasing art supplies and providing art instruction will go a long way to assist these kids with making positive contributions in Waukesha County. If your post/unit is looking for a worthwhile children and youth activity, here it is.

To help make this investment in our future, make your check payable to Waukesha County. In the memo field write ROKS and forward it to my office at 500 Riverview Avenue Waukesha, WI 53188. I will forward your donation to DHHS. It would make a big difference if every post and/or Auxiliary unit could donate to this worthy cause.

HEARING LOSS AND YOUR CHANCE TO HELP

The number one VA disability claim that we see in our office is Hearing Loss and Tinnitus. There is no doubt that many of the careers fields in the military expose you to acoustic trauma. The acoustic trauma coupled with the fact we have an aging veteran population results in a high percentage of veterans seeking VA medical care and filing a disability claim for these conditions.

This past May, the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) Milwaukee/Racine Chapter held their first Walk4Hearing. The turnout was great and the event raised over \$50,000 to continue programs and services for those with hearing loss. Due to the success of their first walk, they are now planning another one in 2011. This is another opportunity to help both veterans and non-veterans raise funds and provide services to those who have hearing impairments. Helen Keller once stated that she wished she had done more for those with hearing loss because hearing loss separates you from people. Here is a chance for you to bring people together, especially veterans who suffer from hearing loss and tinnitus.

The 2011 HLAA- MILWAUKEE WALK4HEARING will be held on Sunday May 15, 2011 at Veterans Park on Milwaukee's Lakefront. Registration begins at 9:00 A.M. The 5K (3.1 Mile) walk starts at 10:00 A.M.

The organizers are looking for volunteers to help and participants to walk. If you would like to volunteer to help contact Ronnie Alder, Walk4Hearing Manager/Chairperson, at Walk4hearing@gmail.com or Caroline Ludka, Volunteer Coordinator, carolineludka@yahoo.com. Further information can be found at www.walk4hearing.org.

WISCONSIN MERCHANT MARINE WWII CASUALTIES

Did you know that Wisconsin Merchant Marine WWII casualties numbered 37?

- 1) Died as a direct result of enemy action – 3.
- 2) Missing as a direct result of enemy action – 32.
- 3) POW's – 2.

Waukesha County accounts for two of the missing. Raymond J. Cleary of Oconomowoc and Roy R. McFarlane of Waukesha. Does anyone know if their names are on a local memorial?

(Per US Coast Guard summary of Merchant Marine casualties published in 1950.)

HERE'S TO THE HEROES

VA Backs 19 Million Home Loans

The following information is from: <http://www.va.gov/Media Room/News Releases>



WASHINGTON (Nov. 1, 2010)- With mortgage rates at historic lows, Veterans and military personnel continue to use the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) home loan program in record numbers to purchase a home or refinance their existing loans.

"Home ownership is one of the foundations of the American dream," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. "VA is honored to administer a benefit that for two-thirds of a century has profoundly affected the lives of our Veterans, our military Servicemembers, and their families."

Since the VA Home Loan program began in 1944 as part of the Montgomery GI Bill, VA has helped Veterans by guaranteeing more than 19 million home loans, valued at more than \$1 trillion. During the past four years, the number of Veterans VA has helped purchase a home has risen by 63 percent.

VA's foreclosure rate for the last nine quarters and serious delinquency rate for the last six quarters have been the lowest in the housing industry, even when compared to prime loans, according to the Mortgage Bankers Association's National Delinquency Survey.

In a time where other no-down payment programs are virtually non-existent and mortgage credit can be difficult to obtain, Veterans and Servicemembers have an avenue to obtain financing and take advantage of historically low rates through the VA home loan program.

Most Veterans, Servicemembers, Reservists and National Guard members, as well as some surviving spouses, are

eligible for the program, which provides an opportunity for borrowers to qualify for no-down payment home loans as well as regular and interest-rate-reduction refinance home loans.

VA-guaranteed home loans are made by banks and mortgage lenders, with VA ensuring payment of a portion of the loan if the borrower fails to repay the balance.

A unique aspect of VA's program is a commitment to help borrowers keep their homes if they encounter financial difficulties. During the past decade, VA loan specialists have helped more than 150,000 families hold onto their homes when threatened by foreclosure.

Shinseki attributed the "professionalism and savvy" of VA employees and the "unshakeable sense of responsibility" among Veterans and military personnel as key factors for maintaining a low foreclosure rate on VA-backed home loans.

VA's loan specialists can intervene on a Veteran's behalf with the loan servicer to explore home-retention options, including repayment plans, loan modifications, and forbearance. When home retention is not an option, VA can help arrange a compromise sale or a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, both of which are less detrimental to borrowers than foreclosure.

More information about VA's Home Loan program is available online at www.homeloans.va.gov or by calling toll-free at 1-877-827-3702.



The following information is from:

<https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal>

eBenefits is your one-stop shop for online benefits-related tools and information. This portal is designed for Wounded Warriors, Veterans, Service Members, their families, and their caregivers. We invite you to explore eBenefits and become a registered user.

Get your entire Official Military Personnel File, including your DD214, in about an hour (average wait time, takes longer in some cases). Login or register to access your files.



Letter Generator

Create VA letters right from eBenefits! Choose form letters for Disabled Veteran Civil Service Preference and Service Verification.



Update Contact Information for Compensation & Pension and Post-9/11 GI Bill Education

In addition to updating your C&P contact information, you can also update your Post-9/11 GI Bill Education contact and payment information.



VA Form 10-10EZ

Complete the Application for Health Benefits form to enroll in the VA healthcare system.



eBenefits Goes Mobile

Use your mobile phone to monitor pending C&P claims and find a DoD or VA facility (m.ebenefits.va.gov)



Apply for Veterans' Benefits Online (VONAPP)

Access VA application forms and apply online for benefits.



My HealthVet Single Sign-On (SSO)

Log in to My HealthVet to access VA health care information and services.



TRICARE Online Single Sign-On (SSO)

Log in to TRICARE Online and use TRICARE features.



VetSuccess

Learn more about the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) VetSuccess Program for Veterans and Service Members.

Deadline for Retroactive Stop Loss Special Pay Extended

The following information was found at: <http://www.va.gov/opa/ssrel/>

The deadline for eligible service members, veterans and their beneficiaries to apply for Retroactive Stop Loss Special Pay (RSLSP) has been extended to March 4, 2011, allowing personnel more time to apply for the benefits they've earned under the program guidelines.

The deadline extension is included in the continuing resolution signed by President Obama today, providing funding for federal government operations through March 4, 2011.

"There was a surge of applicants as we approached our earlier deadline, but there may still be more out there who have yet to apply," said Lernes Hebert, director, Officer and Enlisted Personnel Management. "We are pleased that this extension was included in the continuing resolution which will give those remaining the opportunity to apply as we continue to work through the current applications."

The RSLSP was established to compensate for the hardships military members encountered when their

service was involuntarily extended under Stop Loss Authority between Sept. 11, 2001, and Sept. 30, 2009. Eligible members or their beneficiaries may submit a claim to their respective military service in order to receive the benefit of \$500 for each full or partial month served in a Stop Loss status.

When RSLSP began on Oct. 21, 2009, the services estimated 145,000 service members, veterans and beneficiaries were eligible for this benefit. Because the majority of those eligible had separated from the military, the services have engaged in extensive and persistent outreach efforts over the past 14 months. Outreach efforts including direct mail, engaging military and veteran service organizations, social networks and media outlets, will continue through March 4, 2011.

To apply for more information, or to gather more information on RSLSP, including submission requirements and service-specific links, go to <http://www.defense.gov/stoploss>.

Announcing January 17, 2011 Launch of Military OneSource Tax Services

The following information is from Rebecca.boehlke@militaryonesource.com

Military OneSource is pleased to announce that beginning Monday, January 17, 2011, we will once again provide free tax consultation and free on-line tax filing services to **military service members and their families** during the tax season. As in the four previous years, participants will have free online access to the H&R Block At Home Basic tax product.

A brief overview of the program:

- ◆ Participants must register for Military OneSource and log on to the site for access to the H&R Block At Home Basic product. A separate logon for the H&R Block At Home site is required.
- ◆ Those eligible for the program are active duty, Guard and Reserve (regardless of activation status), spouses and dependent children (authorized in DEERS), family members handling the affairs of a deployed service member, and severely injured service members or family members handling their affairs.
- ◆ Participants will have free access to the H&R

Block At Home Basic product. Those with more complicated returns may incur charges if they upgrade to the H&R Block At Home Premium product.

- ◆ Participants can file up to three state resident returns for each federal return that they file with the H&R Block At Home Basic product.
- ◆ Participants can speak with a Military OneSource Tax Consultant if they have tax related questions, or need assistance using the H&R Block At Home Basic product.

Find out more about the program by visiting the Military OneSource tax page:

<http://www.militaryonesource.com/MOS/FindInformation/Category/TaxFilingServices.aspx>

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Fisher House Foundation—Wisconsin

The following information received from Dan Buttery Chair DanB@HVT-Marketing.com



2011 marks the first year of my tenure as Chair for the Fisher House Foundation – Wisconsin. As many of you know, this is a project that will take significant effort by all involved to make this campaign a success. Now with the Spinal Cord Treatment Center at the Milwaukee VA Hospital expected to be completed and fully operational in 2011, our mission has taken on an even higher priority.

2010 marked a year of preliminary meetings, discussing future support for the Wisconsin campaign. Fundraising events were held in support of the Fisher House Foundation throughout Wisconsin, some occurring as their inaugural year. All funds raised in Wisconsin are currently being earmarked specifically for the future Milwaukee-based home. Right now donations are being directed to the national Fisher House Foundation in Rockville, MD. Paperwork will be filed in Q1 2011 to establish a Wisconsin based Fisher House Foundation, allowing for funds to be donated directly to the Milwaukee-based organization.

The Fisher House Foundation – Wisconsin will establish our Board of Directors in the first quarter of 2011. The initial senior leadership team will be made up of selected interested individuals, groups and organizations. Past fundraising / event committees are required to be designated under the Board of Directors, with committee chairs asked to participate on the senior leadership team. We've begun to receive help from other local Fisher House Foundation organizations as we go through our formative process, all in an effort to use a process that works effectively and meets the national foundation's standards. Great progress has been made in this area, with more work to be completed in early 2011.

Our relationship with the Zablocki VA Medical Center (MKE VAMC) director, Robert Beller, is strong. Mr. Beller assigned David Van Thiel from his staff to work as the liaison between both organizations going forward. The director has committed space at the MKE VAMC for the Fisher House Foundation – Wisconsin to conduct business. The specific meeting room has yet to be nailed down; however, utilizing the MKE VAMC will serve as a central location for the Board of Directors to host board meetings. This is a great development that will help us move forward with our planning and implementation phases.

Recently, another important relationship was established with the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs, Council on Veterans Programs (COVP). David and I were asked to present the Fisher House Foundation – Wisconsin status update, resulting in the council's agreement to propose a statewide resolution in support our mission. Our goal is to follow-up with the COVP in February 2011 to ensure our momentum continues on this and many other fronts.

Near-term priorities for our organization include:

- ◆ Formalize our Wisconsin Board of Directors.
- ◆ Establish our first meeting in Jan./Feb. 2011
- ◆ File the foundations paperwork with both the State of Wisconsin and the Internal Revenue Service to achieve proper 501-c-(3) status
- ◆ Developing our communications plan
- ◆ Continued networking with individuals, groups and organizations interested in supporting this mission

Events currently being planned for 2011 include, but will not be limited to the following:

- ◆ Seventh Annual – August 2011 Fisher House Golf Outing hosted by Paratech Ambulance Services in Menomonee Falls, WI
- ◆ Second Annual – September 10, 2011, House of Harley Davidson Fisher House Benefit Ride in Milwaukee, WI.

Other groups and organizations have expressed interest in supporting the Fisher House Foundation – Wisconsin's efforts, but have not formally committed their support. Out of respect to their internal approval process, I'll hold on detailing those groups, individuals and organizations until it's appropriate to do so.

In conclusion, I look forward to working with you in 2011 and taking this mission to new heights.

Thank you and Happy New Year!

Dan Buttery,
Chair – Fisher House Foundation – Wisconsin
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VA Set to Verify Veteran Small Businesses

The following information was found on the internet <http://www.va.gov/opa/ssrel/>

Washington (Jan. 3, 2010) - To further advocate for Veterans, VA announced that companies identifying themselves as small businesses or Veteran-owned businesses to gain priority for some Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) contracts must now provide documentation verifying their status within 90 days of receiving notice from the agency.

"VA is committed to doing business with as well as supporting and protecting Veteran-owned small businesses," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. "Although the verification process may initially be a challenge to some small business owners and to VA, it's a necessary step to eliminate misrepresentation by firms trying to receive contracts that should go to service-disabled and other Veteran-owned vendors."

The Veterans Benefits Act of 2010, signed by the President Oct. 13, expanded VA's requirement to verify the status of businesses claiming Veterans preference to compete for VA contracts by being listed in VA's VetBiz.gov "Vendor Information Pages" (VIP) database. Companies will have to submit an application to substantiate their status as owned and controlled by Veterans, service-disabled Veterans or eligible surviving spouses. Only companies that submit the information will be listed in the VIP database.

The law requires VA to notify currently listed businesses that within 90 days of the Veteran-owned business receiving the notice they must submit certain business documents. VA sent notices to more than 13,000 listed businesses by email and mail Dec. 10-11. Other companies, wanting to be listed in the database and considered for future set-aside VA contracts, also have to submit application packages. VA will work on those verifications after the existing listings are verified.

The department plans to post additional information at www.VetBiz.gov in early February informing applicants how to submit their documents electronically. In the meantime, VA's notice to currently listed businesses encourages them to submit their information on CD-ROM.

Priority processing will be given to those Veteran-owned firms that are in line to receive a set-aside contract from VA, those that already conduct business with VA, and those that have already filed an application for verification.

For more information, visit the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization's website at www.va.gov/OSDBU/veteran/verification.asp or the main page at www.va.gov/osdbu/

VA Urges Veterans to Sign Up for Direct Deposits

Treasury Publishes Final Regulation to Phase Out Paper Checks by 2013

The following information was received from: <http://www.va.gov/opa/ssrel/>

WASHINGTON (Dec. 21, 2010) - The Department of the Treasury announced a new rule that will extend the safety and convenience of electronic payments to millions of Americans and phase out paper checks for federal benefits by March 1, 2013. Officials at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) urge Veterans to sign up for electronic payment of their benefits.

"Receiving VA benefits electronically will increase the security, convenience and reliability of these vital payments," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. "VA encourages Veterans who are now receiving their benefits in paper checks to set up direct deposits before the deadline."

On March 1, 2013, VA will stop issuing paper checks. People who do not have electronic payments for their federal benefits by that time will receive their funds via a pre-paid debit card. Called the Direct Express card, it is issued by Comerica Bank as the financial agent of the U.S. Treasury.

Another deadline affects people receiving VA's compensation or pensions for the first time after May 1, 2011. Those people will automatically receive the benefits electronically.

Anyone already receiving federal benefit payments electronically will be unaffected by the changes. To learn more about the federal government's switch to direct deposit - or to change VA benefits to direct deposit -- visit www.GoDirect.org. Information about the federal government's "Go Direct" campaign is also available at 1-800-333-1795.

Along with payments for VA benefit, the change will also affect recipients of payments from Social Security, Supplemental Security Income, Railroad Retirement Board, or Office of Personnel Management.

For more information about VA benefits and programs, go to www.va.gov call toll free 1-800-827-1000.

VA Announces Use of Standard Payment Rates for Some Non-VA Care

The following information was found on the internet <http://www.va.gov/opa/ssrel/>

WASHINGTON (Dec. 16, 2010) - The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced today it will begin using Medicare's standard payment rates for certain medical procedures performed by non-VA providers on Feb. 16, 2011.

"This regulation will have no impact on the Veterans we care for," said VA Under Secretary for Health Dr. Robert A. Petzel. "VA will now have the ability to better plan budgets and place more money into access to health care for the Veterans that VA is honored to serve."

The new adjustment was made in federal regulations and will affect the following treatments VA provides to Veterans through contracted care: ambulatory surgical center care, anesthesia, clinical laboratory, hospital outpatient perspective payment systems, and end stage renal disease (ESRD).

Veterans who are eligible for care will continue to receive the uninterrupted care they need and have earned. Non-VA doctors and facilities will still get paid for services they provide to eligible Veterans but at rates set by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Prospective Payment Systems (PPS) and Fee Schedules. Existing contracts will not be affected and the rule allows for new contracts using the new rates.

Savings of approximately \$1.8 billion over five years will allow VA to continue to invest in such innovative programs as a wearable artificial kidney, home dialysis and expanding access through stand-alone clinics.

"Adopting CMS pricing methodology for these schedules and services will allow VA medical centers to use their resources more efficiently to meet Veterans' needs," said Gary Baker, VA's health administration chief business officer. "The adoption of Medicare rates will help ensure consistent, predictable medical costs, while also helping to control costs and expenditures."

The pricing methodology changes are a result of a rule change to 38 CFR 17.56, the federal regulation that governs VA when paying medical claims for Veterans treated in community facilities. The proposed rule was published on Feb. 18, 2010 and was opened for public comment April 19, 2010. The congressional review period for the final rule begins Dec. 17 and lasts 60 days.

VA is providing written notifications to Veterans and non-VA providers. As additional information becomes available, it will be posted to the VA's "Non-VA Purchased Care" Web site, www.nonvacare.va.gov.

Veterans' Health Research Study on Pain

The following information was received from Stephanie Schantzen smschantzen@gmail.com

The Department of Veterans Affairs is conducting a study aimed at understanding brain function of pain in *Gulf War veterans with Muscle and Joint Pain & Rheumatoid Arthritis*

We are asking for **patients** as well as **healthy** volunteers to participate in a study conducted by the VA Medical Center in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin - Madison.

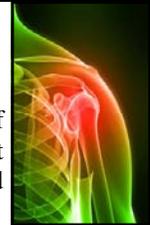
We will be assessing your responses to **painful stimuli** on two separate occasions and while undergoing a brain imaging scan.

You will receive **\$150.00** for your time and effort.

If you are interested in participating or if you would like more information about the study, please leave your name and phone number and mention:

**"Veteran's Health Study on Pain"
608-262-2457 WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

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Register with My HealtheVet in 2011

The following information was found on the internet at:

<https://www.myhealth.va.gov/mhv-portal-web/anonymous.portal? nfpb=true& nfto=false& pageLabel=registrationHome>

Why Register?

Individuals register to gain access to all of the tools on My HealtheVet. These tools can help you monitor your health-care through online prescription refill, a blended view of VA prescriptions and self-entered medications and supplements, personal health journals, and, in the near future, online copies of selected portions of your VistA electronic medical record. We are continually developing new features to help you.

Why Register with My HealtheVet in 2011?

#1: Improve Yourself: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) offers Veterans, active duty Service members, their dependents and caregivers the gift of My HealtheVet, www.myhealth.va.gov, VA's award-winning online Personal Health Record. Access is easy and convenient anywhere the Internet is available. With My HealtheVet, users access trusted and secure VA health information to better manage their health care and facts about other VA benefits and services. My HealtheVet helps Veterans partner with their health care teams and provides them opportunities and tools to make informed decisions. Simply follow the directions to [register today](#).

#2: Improve Your Access: If you are already a My HealtheVet user and a VA patient, get an upgraded account! An upgraded account allows Veterans enrolled at a VA health care facility access to advanced features of My HealtheVet and links their Personal Health Record with information from their VA electronic health record. To access advanced features, Veterans must complete a one-time process called [In-Person Authentication](#) or "IPA." This includes making a visit to their VA facility to verify their identity in person. After completing the IPA, VA patients can use My HealtheVet to:

- ◆ Refill their VA prescriptions by name, not just by the prescription number

- ◆ Access a blended view of their VA and non-VA medications
- ◆ Receive VA Wellness Reminders
- ◆ Access new features as they become available

#3: Improve Your Online Activity with VA: Expected in 2010, VA patients that have completed the IPA process will view their VA appointments, VA lab test results, and VA list of allergies. They also may communicate electronically with their health care teams through "Secure Messaging" as this feature becomes available at their VA facility. So [register today on My HealtheVet](#), complete [In-Person Authentication](#), and make your 2011 a healthy, happy and active year with your VA. After all, it's quick, easy and it's for you!

How to Use My HealtheVet

My HealtheVet can be used in many ways. For example - when you log in to the site, you may open the Activity Journal and enter your exercise routine for the day. Later, you might want to print a Doctor Sheet that displays your blended medication view, and vital sign measurements you're tracking such as blood pressure, cholesterol, body weight, and blood sugar. Supplying this information to your healthcare provider will ensure they have a comprehensive record of your current state of health. Then together, you and your caregivers can create a plan for your care.

Using My HealtheVet helps you gain a better understanding of your health status, and allows you to explore a variety of ways to monitor and improve your health. When you use the tools My HealtheVet provides, you become an active partner with your caregivers in understanding and managing your personal healthcare. And the best part is, you can easily access your personal health information in your My HealtheVet account from any place you have an Internet connection.

Comedy Extravaganza—Friday, February 18, 2011

The following information was found on the internet at: <http://dryhootch.org/events/comics-for-courage-laffathon>

COMICS for COURAGE Laff-A-Thon

Benefiting Dryhootch.org & Wounded Warrior Project

WHERE: Hoepfner-Horn Brothers VFW Post 5716
17980 W. Beloit Rd.
New Berlin WI 53146
262-679-0800

WHEN: Friday, February 18, 2011

TIME: Doors Open at 7:00 P.M.
SHOWTIME—8:00 P.M.

TICKETS \$15.00 AVAILABLE AT:

DRYHOOTCH COFFEE
1030 E. Brady St., Milwaukee WI
414-763-2785 or
Online at: www.dryhootch.org

Comedy Central's Christopher Cannon & Jay Harris
Emceed by Author & Radio Host Michael Orban

Agent Orange Blue Water Veterans

The following information was received from: Liafarrier@yahoo.com

Veterans who served on open sea ships off the shore of Vietnam during the Vietnam War are sometimes called “Blue Water Veterans.”

In January 2009, the Supreme Court let stand an earlier court ruling that requires a Veteran to have served on land or on the inland waterways of Vietnam in order to be presumed exposed to Agent Orange.

Some ships offshore also docked to the shore of Vietnam or conducted operations on the inland waterways of Vietnam. Veterans are presumed exposed to Agent Orange **if** they went ashore when a ship docked to the shore of Vietnam or served aboard ships that operated on the inland waterways of Vietnam anytime between January 9, 1962 and May 7, 1975.

If not, Blue Water Veterans must show on a factual basis that they were exposed to Agent Orange or other herbicides during military service in order to receive disability compensation for [diseases associated with Agent Orange exposure](#).

Exception: Blue Water Veterans claiming [non-Hodgkin's lymphoma](#) as a disability may be granted service-connection without showing inland waterway service or that they went ashore when their ships docked to the shore of Vietnam. This is because VA also recognizes non-Hodgkin's lymphoma as associated with service in Vietnam or the waters offshore of Vietnam during the Vietnam Era.

Institute of Medicine Review on Possible Agent Orange Exposure

VA has asked the National Academy of Sciences Institute of Medicine (IOM) to review the medical and scientific

evidence regarding Blue Water Veterans' possible exposure to Agent Orange.

A report should be completed and available by summer 2011.

IOM is evaluating:

- ◆ Historical background of the Vietnam War comparing Blue Water Navy, “boots on ground” combat troops, and Brown Water Navy (includes inland waters).
- ◆ Exposure levels among Blue Water Navy relative to ground troops in Vietnam or other contemporary ground troops deployed elsewhere (“Era” Veterans).
- ◆ Comparative exposures for troops on the ground and troops aboard ships in the context of all possible routes of exposure, including herbicide “overspray” and consumption of contaminated water and food.
- ◆ A wide range of potential herbicide and dioxin exposure mechanisms including potential concentrating toxics in drinking water, air exposure possibly from drift from spraying, food, soil, skin, etc.
- ◆ Comparative risks for long-term health outcomes comparing Vietnam Veteran ground troops, Blue Water Navy Veterans, and other “Era” Veterans serving during the Vietnam War at other locations (assuming relative herbicide and dioxin exposures can be assessed). This will be based on [previous IOM Veterans and Agent Orange study conclusions](#)*† on long-term health outcomes from herbicide exposure.
- ◆ Existing studies of Blue Water Navy Veterans for reported health outcomes.



Expanded Post -9/11 GI Bill—Summary of S. 3447 as Amended

In Conjunction from Front Page Article The following information was found www.gibill.va.gov

On January 4, 2011, President Obama signed into law “The Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act of 2010.” The law makes some significant changes to the Post-9/11 GI Bill. The following is a summary of the changes.

Title I:

Effective now but not payable until October 1, 2011:

- ◆ Expands the Post-9/11 GI Bill to include certain Active Service performed by National Guard members who served under title 32 U.S.C. for the purpose of organizing, administering, recruiting, instruction, or training the National Guard or under section 502(f) for the purpose of responding to a national emergency

Effective August 1, 2011:

- ◆ Simplifies the tuition and fee rates for those attending a public school and creates a national rate for those enrolled in a private or foreign school
 - ◆ No individual state caps

- ◆ Private school costs are capped at \$17,500 annually
- ◆ The Yellow Ribbon Program still exists for costs above the cap
- ◆ Allows VA to pay kickers on a monthly basis instead of a lump sum at the beginning of the term and also pay kickers to those who are attending school at half-time or less
- ◆ Allows those who are eligible for both Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment benefits and Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits to choose the Post-9/11 GI Bill's monthly housing allowance instead of the Chapter 31 subsistence allowance
- ◆ Allows reimbursement for more than one “license and certification” test (previously only one test was allowed)

(Continued on page 12—Summary of S.3447)

The following Articles are from the RAO Bulletin of 15 January 2011

The following information can be found at: <http://www.veteransresources.org/category/rao-bulletin/>

TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY UPDATE: When it officially opened its doors in JUN 2010, the National Intrepid Center of Excellence at the National Naval Medical Center set out to provide a new level of care for war fighters suffering traumatic brain injuries and psychological disorders. Six months later, as it continues to build staff to reach full operational capability, the center is making a difference in the lives of service members struggling to deal with the unseen, signature wounds of war with hopes they can continue their military service. "Our vision is to be an instrument of hope, healing, discovery and learning," said Navy Capt. Thomas Beeman, a reservist recalled to active duty to lend his civilian health care administration expertise to help stand up the facility. "We are living out that vision and trying to meet those needs."

The \$65 million center, a gift from the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund, features the most advanced equipment and facilities available to diagnose and treat TBI and other psychological disorders. Among its offerings is \$10 million in imaging equipment that enables health care providers and researchers the rare ability to see inside the brain to formulate diagnoses and treatment plans. State-of-the-art medicine is just one aspect of the center's holistic, multidisciplinary approach to treating TBI, post-traumatic stress, depression, anxiety and other combat-related psychological stressors. "We try to take care of the spiritual, the physical and the emotional, psychological health of the people we serve," said Beeman, the center's deputy commander. "Our mission is to return as many warriors back to active duty as possible, or at least to get them in the right place and at the right spot so they can enjoy healthy and holistic lives." A playground just behind the facility hints at the center's family-centered focus, which Dr. James Kelly, a neurologist serving as the center's director, called critical to patients' long-term recovery. "This isn't just for individual service members in uniform. It's for their whole family," he said. "That's been the concept of operations from the very beginning."

The new, 72,000-square-foot center is one of six created under the Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury. Located on the grounds of the National Naval Medical Center, and directly across the street from the National Institutes of Health, it provides unprecedented opportunity for collaboration and information-sharing. That supports all of the center's missions: not just providing clinical care to service members and their families, but also expanding the body of research about TBI and psychological disorders and sharing it with the broader medical community. "This is not just one place that a handful of people come through and get excellent care," Kelly said. "This is actually an opportunity for all of us to learn together and to learn from one another and to share that information nationwide. ... So everybody will benefit." [Source: AFPS Donna Miles article 17 Dec 2010 ++]

MILITARY RECRUITING UPDATE 02: According to a just published report by the nonprofit Education Trust, almost one in four high school students who try to join the Army fail its entrance exam. The Army requires a minimum score of 31 out of 99 on the first stage of the three-hour Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery. Potential Marine, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard recruits need higher minimum scores, which are 32, 35, 36 and 40, respectively. The report adds to a growing worry among military recruiting commanders and civilian education leaders that the pool of young people qualified for military service is shrinking. The services are meeting their recruiting goals—primarily due to the economy—but recruiting officials admit that 75% of today's pool of 17 to 24-8 year-olds are ineligible for military service due to aptitude, fitness, health and/or criminal records. To read the Education Trust report go to http://org2.democracynaction.org/o/6879/p/salsa/web/common/public/signup?signup_page_KEY=2946. [Source: VFW Washington Weekly 22 Dec 2010 ++]

VA PRESUMPTIVE VN VET DISEASES UPDATE: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has decided more than 28,000 claims in the first six weeks of processing disability compensation applications from Vietnam Veterans with diseases related to exposure to the herbicide Agent Orange. "With new technology and ongoing improvements, we are quickly removing roadblocks to processing benefits," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. "We are also conducting significant outreach to Vietnam Veterans to encourage them to submit their completed application for this long-awaited benefit." VA published a final regulation on 31 AUG that makes Veterans who served in the Republic of Vietnam and who have been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, ischemic heart disease, or a B-cell (or hairy-cell) leukemia eligible for health care and disability compensation benefits. With the expiration of the required 60-day congressional review on 30 OCT, VA is now able to process these claims.

Vietnam Veterans covered under the new policy are encouraged to file their claims through a new VA Web portal at <http://www.fasttrack.va.gov>. Vietnam Veterans are the first users of this convenient automated claims processing system. If treated for these diseases outside of VA's health system, it is important for Veterans to gather medical evidence from their non-VA physicians. VA has made it easy for physicians to supply the clinical findings needed to approve the claim through the new Web portal. These medical forms are also available at <http://www.vba.va.gov/disabilityexams>. The portal guides Veterans through Web-based menus to capture information and medical evidence required for faster claims decisions. While the new system currently is limited to these three disabilities, usage will expand soon to include claims for other conditions. VA has begun collecting data that recaps its progress in processing claims for new Agent Orange benefits at <http://www.vba.va.gov/VBA/agentorange/reportcard/index.html>. [Source: VA News Release 17 Dec 2010 ++]

Waukesha Warrior Summit—March 24, 2011

Waukesha County Technical College

The following information is from Mary Madden, Executive Director NAMI (262) 524-8886

The Wisconsin Warrior Summit is dedicated to coordinating a comprehensive community response to the mental health needs of veterans and their families. Through keynote speakers and breakout sessions, which will feature the voices and perspectives of veterans themselves, the Summit will inform clinical professionals, veterans and their families, as well as the public on the needs of the veterans and their families. The Summit will also provide information on treatment and support programs available.

"Helping the veteran & their family who survived the war, survive the peace"



Information & Register at: www.wiwarriorproject.org

Thursday, March 24, 2011

8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

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- ◆ Allows reimbursement of fees paid to take national exams used for admission to an institution of higher learning (e.g., SAT, ACT, GMAT, LSAT)
- ◆ Break or interval pay is no longer payable under any VA education benefit program unless under an Executive Order of the President or due to an emergency situation such as a natural disaster or strike.

Effective October 1, 2011:

- ◆ Allows students to use the Post-9/11 GI Bill for non-college degree programs such as: on-the-job training, flight (for other than a private pilot license) at flight schools, apprenticeship training, and correspondence courses
- ◆ Flight programs: Pays the lesser of actual net costs for in-state Tuition and Fees assessed by the school or \$10,000, which ever is less "per academic year."
- ◆ Housing allowance is now payable to students (other than those on active duty) enrolled solely in distance learning, the housing allowance is 1/2 the national

average BAH for an E-5 with dependents (the rate would be \$673.50 for 2011)

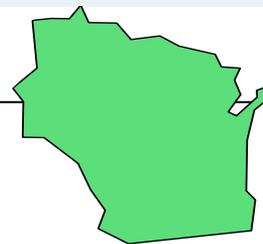
- ◆ Prorates housing allowance to training time
 - ◆ A 3/4 time student would receive 3/4 housing allowance
- ◆ Allow student on active duty to receive a books and supplies stipend.

Title II:

- ◆ Reporting fees paid to schools increases from \$7 to \$12 per student per year.
- ◆ Programs offered at accredited public and private-not-for-profit schools are deemed already approved for VA Education Benefits
- ◆ Allows the VA to use SAAs for compliance and oversight duties
- ◆ Requires that reporting fees only be used for the purpose of certification

The latest updates will be posted at the following website
www.gibill.va.gov

NEWS UPDATE FOR STATE BENEFITS



Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) Veterans Trust Fund Tax Form Donation

The following information is from <http://museum.dva.state.wi.us/>



State taxpayers can support Wisconsin's veterans and military families on individual and corporate state income tax forms, by just entering an amount to donate to the Veterans Trust Fund, which provides relief to veterans and the immediate families of service members who die in the line of duty or as a result of service-connected disabilities, deployed service members, and eligible disabled veterans.

This time of year, it's easy to contribute to Wisconsin's Veterans Trust Fund by donating on your Wisconsin Income Tax Form whether corporate or individual.

How to Donate: Just look for our logo on the line entitled "Veterans Trust Fund Donation." Then enter your donation amount on that line of your Wisconsin Income Tax Form to donate to the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Trust Fund.

Your donation will be used by the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs for the benefit of veterans or their dependents. Fill in the amount you wish to donate or ask your tax preparer to do so.

If you have any questions on how to donate to the Veterans Trust Fund please contact us toll-free at:

1-800-WIS-VETS (947-8387).

What Your Money Does: When you give to the Veterans Trust Fund Donation, you help Wisconsin make an investment in its future, in the future of its veterans and their families. Your gift helps:

- ◆ The Wisconsin Veterans Homes
- ◆ The Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemeteries
- ◆ The Wisconsin Veterans Museum
- ◆ The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs veterans benefits and services programs -- Home Loans, Personal Loans, Education Grants, Assistance to Needy Veterans and Military Families, and more.

Please give generously today! For more information on Wisconsin Veterans Benefits go to the [WDVA benefits page](#).

If you miss the tax season but still wish to donate, send a check to:

**The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs
Veterans Trust Fund Donation
30 W. Mifflin Street, P.O. Box 7843
Madison, WI 53707-7843**

Wisconsin Board of Veterans Affairs Committee Appointments

The following information is from: <http://dva.state.wi.us>

Each year at the April meeting of the Wisconsin Board of Veterans Affairs, the Board Chair will appoint, subject to the approval of the Board, the members of the three standing Board Committees: Finance; Legislative and Program Review; and Long Term Care. Those appointed will serve one year from the adjournment of the April Board meeting until the adjournment of the following year's April Board meeting.

The Board seeks to identify qualified Wisconsin veterans who have a strong desire to serve on and actively participate in any of the three Board Committees. If you have such a desire to serve, whether you currently serve on a Board Committee or would like to become a new Board Committee member, please complete the application. The application can be found at: <http://dva.state.wi.us>.

Application:



**PLEASE NOTE THAT TO BE
APPOINTED OR REAPPOINTED TO A
BOARD COMMITTEE, A COMPLETED
APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED**
Completed applications must be postmarked
no later than March 1 and should be mailed to:

Committee Appointment Applications
Board of Veterans Affairs
30 W. Mifflin St.
P.O. Box 7843
Madison, WI 53707-7843

Wisconsin Veterans Homes—Wonderful Places to Live

The following information is from wdva.media.relations@dva.state.wi.us

When you factor in the exceptional standard of care we provide, you begin to understand why we consider our Veterans Homes to be an extraordinary value.

The services provided by Wisconsin Veterans Homes often exceed standards at other facilities. Few long term care facilities include such a complete list of services in the daily cost of care. Instead, they offer additional-charge “service packages” that can add substantially to bottom-line costs.

The daily rate at our skilled nursing facilities includes Housekeeping, laundry services, local phone, cable hook-up (60 channels) banking services, personal care supplies, wheelchairs, walkers and canes, oxygen, medical care supplies such as eyeglasses and hearing aids

The daily rate at our assisted living facilities includes Weekly housekeeping, local phone, heat, electricity, water and air conditioning, cable hook-up (60 channels), three daily meals plus snacks, medication supervision, furniture (if needed), transport to VA medical appointments

Above all, the camaraderie of living in a community of veterans makes our Veterans Homes truly special. You simply cannot put a price tag on the incredible support provided by veteran’s service organizations to the Veterans Homes. They regularly sponsor special outings, host social events, and simply give of their time as volunteers, enhancing the lives of those living at Wisconsin Veterans Homes beyond measure.

Even with the exceptional standard of care offered, Wisconsin Veterans Homes charge rates that are comparable to privately-owned facilities. A quick review shows that private pay rates for assisted living and skilled nursing care are comparable to state and county averages.

These “private pay rates” are the most an individual would pay for their care. Private pay rates do not take into account veterans entitlements, Medicaid, or Medi-

Skilled Nursing Care at Union Grove	
Veteran at Union Grove	\$257.47
Non-Veteran at Union Gove	\$335.00
Average for Southeastern Wisconsin *	\$265.00
Skilled Nursing Care at King	
Veteran at King	\$207.47
Non-Veteran at King	\$285.00
Average for Central Wisconsin *	\$205.31
Assisted Living at Union Grove	
Veteran at Union Grove	\$114.16—\$128.16
N0n-Veteran at Union Grove	\$150.00
Average for Racine County **	\$129.00

care. Assistance is available during the application process to find the best options for financing your living arrangements and cost of care. Most veterans will find economic as well as quality reasons to live at a Veterans Home.

Our Wisconsin Veterans Homes at King and Union Grove are wonderful places to live. We invite you to contact our Veterans Homes directly to schedule a tour or ask a specific question.

Wisconsin Veterans Home at Union Grove

21425 G Spring Street
 Union Grove, WI 53182
 Phone: (262) 878-6700

Wisconsin Veterans Home at King

N2665 County Road QQ
 King, WI 54946-0600
 Phone: (715) 258-5586

* 2010 Cost of Care: Long-Term Care Survey (Genworth Financial)
 ** Wis. Dept. Health Division of Quality Assurance, updated 7-2010



It takes the courage and strength of a warrior to ask for help....

If you're in an emotional crisis
 Call 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
 “Press 1 for Veterans”

www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org

JOBThoughts, the \$100 Million Career/Employment Program

The following information was received from James Mullarkey, Secretary of Wisconsin Veterans Foundation, Inc.

JOBThoughts, the \$100 million career/employment program, the **Wisconsin Veterans Foundation, Inc.** has the privilege being the stewards. Under the auspices of BestWorks DATA, the Wisconsin Veterans Foundation, Inc. is delivering JOBThoughts at NO COST to all Reserve, National Guard and veterans in Wisconsin and nationwide. Not including counseling reports, the value of this computer-based assessment with reports is \$100! This assessment, JOBThoughts, with reports is being offered all Reserve, National Guard and veterans in Wisconsin and nationwide at NO COST, NO STRINGS and NO BAIT and SWITCH!

JOBThoughts is an assessment tool that provides "personalized performance information that enables individuals to separate themselves from a pool of individuals based upon proprietary measurable and quantifiable data." JOBThoughts as an assessment tool takes a little more than 25 minutes and is divided into two parts. The first part of JOBThoughts is untimed and asks you to respond to affective or emotional-based sentences, statements and terms. The second part of JOBThoughts focuses on cognitive skills or one's knowledge base and is timed - no one is expected to complete this portion.

The results of JOBThoughts are analyzed and two major reports are developed: JOBThoughts Career Pack (including six sub-reports) and Employee Fast Start Pack (including five sub-reports). The JOBThoughts Career Pack takes the two assessments and provides a positive and useful set of sub-reports based upon Mental Strengths, Strengths of Direction, Strengths of Organization, Strengths of Process, Strengths of Sensitivity, and Strengths with People, Strengths of Team Work and Strengths of Openness. In similar fashion, the data are analyzed to arrive at the Employee Fast Start Reports - strengths important to job performance, specifically Learning Speed, Assertiveness, Organization, Processes, People, Handling Stress and Teamwork.

After you have taken JOBThoughts and while waiting for the computers to analyze, your results

take a look at a sample report at <http://www.jobthoughts.com/sample>

In addition to the 11 narrative reports users of this tool, JOBThoughts will have access to counselor reports. These reports are available to Vet Center Counselors, transitional counselors, career counselors, psychologists and others. The counseling reports are not made available carte blanche, but to counselors who register and have the users report code found on their reports. For veterans whether those who served during Vietnam or those who have served or are rotating service from Iraq or Afghanistan one counseling tool is being used successfully with counselors - The Reintegration Report.

Before going further, I encourage you and anyone you feel will benefit from knowledge of JOBThoughts to take this assessment. Take it, enjoy it, learn from it and most of all consider how it may be used with Reserve and National Guard personnel staying in service, but could use additional direction within the service as well as in civilian life. Also, consider JOBThoughts for those service members rotating out of service and how JOBThoughts can be used for a smoother transition to peace.

To access JOBThoughts you need three pieces of information:

Address or URL:

<http://www.JOBThoughts.com/helpinghand>

Username: WVFVVAWI (All CAPs)

Password:: WVFVVAWI (All CAPs)

So you have a better idea of our Foundation and our award please go to our website at www.wisconsinveteransfoundation.org to view our brochure.

Sincerely,

James Mullarkey, Secretary

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