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Type 2 Diabetes In-Country Vietnam Veteran Benefit

The US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) includes Diabetes mellitus (Type II, adult onset) as a presumptive condition for in-county Vietnam veterans.

Honorably discharged veterans who physically served in or visited the Republic of Vietnam during the period January 9, 1962 through May 7, 1975 and have adult onset diabetes mellitus will receive service connected disability compensation and VA health care.

Service connected disability compensation provides a tax free financial benefit. A single veterans monthly benefit will range between \$123 and \$2,673.

VA's health care provides a full range of medical and prescription services for an eligible veteran at no cost or with specified co-pays.

The Department of Military and Veterans Affairs recommends in-county veterans contact one of the following veterans service organizations for assistance.

The American Legion	313.964.6640	james.topps@va.gov	Rm 1210
Disabled American Veterans	313.964.6595	thomas.wendel@va.gov	Rm 1200
Marine Corps League	313.964.6830	billy.traylor@va.gov	Rm 1232
Military Order of the Purple Heart	313.964.6888	ray.peltier@va.gov	Rm 1226
Veterans of Foreign Wars	313.964.6510	daniel.crocker@va.gov	Rm 1215

The organizations are all located in the McNamara Federal Bldg, 477 Michigan Ave, Detroit, MI 48226.

A veteran may receive assistance from a county veterans counselor. Their contact information can be found at www.macvc.net.

A veteran may choose to submit an electronic application directly to VA at www.va.gov. The Veterans ON-Line Application (VONAPP) appears at the right margin of the opening window.

The US Department of Veterans Affairs operates medical centers in Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Detroit, Iron Mountain and Saginaw in addition to twenty two community based outpatient clinics throughout the State. The addresses and phone numbers for each can be found at www.va.gov.

An eligible veteran can receive medical care from these facilities without applying for a service connected disability. A Certificate of Discharge (DD Form 214) and a VA Form 10-10EZ will be required. The VA form is available at www.va.gov at the right margin of the opening window (Enroll/Update Medical Benefits (10-10EZ)).

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