

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING **HEALTH BENEFITS UPDATE FORM**

### Please Read Before You Start... What is VA Form 10-10EZR used for?

VA Form 10-10EZR is used by VA to update your personal, insurance, or financial information after you are enrolled.

# Where can I get help filling out the form and if I have questions?

This update form is available for completion online at <a href="https://www.va.gov/health-care/update-health-information/">https://www.va.gov/health-care/update-health-information/</a>. You may use ANY of the following to request assistance:

- Ask VA to help you fill out the form by calling us at 1-877-222-VETS (8387).
- Contact the Enrollment Coordinator at your local VA health care facility.
- Contact a National or State Veterans Service Organization.

### **Definitions of terms used on this form:**

SERVICE-CONNECTED (SC): A VA determination that an illness or injury was incurred or aggravated in the line of duty, in the active military, naval or air service.

COMPENSABLE: A VA determination that a service-connected disability is severe enough to warrant monetary compensation. NONCOMPENSABLE: A VA determination that a service-connected disability is not severe enough to warrant monetary

TOXIC EXPOSURE RISK ACTIVITY (TERA): Veterans who were exposed to one or more of the following hazards or conditions during active duty, active duty for training, or inactive duty training (this is not an all-inclusive list): air pollutants, chemicals, occupational hazards, radiation, and warfare agents. For more information visit https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/. NONSERVICE-CONNECTED (NSC): A Veteran who does not have a VA determined service-related condition.

REPORTABLE INCOME: The minimum amount of gross income required to file a Federal income tax return according to the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 Section 6012(a).

SPOUSE: If you are certifying that a person is your spouse for the purpose of VA benefits, your marriage must be recognized by the place where you and/or your spouse resided at the time of marriage, or where you and/or your spouse reside when you file your claim (or at a later date when you become eligible for benefits) (38 U.S.C. 103(c)). Additional guidance on when VA recognizes marriages is available at <a href="http://www.va.gov/opa/marriage/">http://www.va.gov/opa/marriage/</a>.

## ALL VETERANS MUST COMPLETE SECTIONS I, II, VII, and VIII

#### **Directions for Sections I - II:**

**Section I - General Information:** Answer all questions.

Section II - Insurance Information: Include information for all health insurance companies that cover you, this includes coverage provided through a spouse or significant other. If you have more than one health insurer, provide this information on a separate sheet of paper and attach to the application. If you have access to a copier, attach a copy of your insurance cards, Medicare card and/or Medicaid card (Medicaid is a federal/state health insurance program for certain low-income people). Bring these cards with you to each health care appointment.

## **Directions for Sections III:**

Section III - Military Service Information: If you are not currently receiving benefits from VA, you may attach a copy of your discharge or separation papers from the military (such as DD-214 or, for WWII Veterans, a "WD" Form), with your signed application to expedite processing of your application. If claiming a Military Exposure, you may provide us a written statement, or statements from people who witnessed your claimed exposure(s). If you are currently receiving benefits from VA, we will crossreference your information with VA data.

## **COMPLETE SECTION IV** only if you complete Sections V:

Section IV - Dependent Information: Your spouse and dependent social security numbers(s) are required so we can verify their financial information through a computer-matching program. You may count your spouse as your dependent even if you did not live together, as long as you contributed support last calendar year. You may count your biological children, adopted children, and stepchildren as dependents. These children must be unmarried and under the age of 18, or be at least 18 but under 23 and attending high school, college or vocational school on a full or part-time basis, or have become permanently unable to support themselves before reaching the age of 18.

# **Directions for Sections V - VI:**

Veterans may provide a financial assessment to update their eligibility for cost-free care or services, beneficiary travel eligibility, and/or waiver of the beneficiary travel deductible requirement.

Veterans rated 50-100% disabled due to SC conditions and Veterans receiving VA pension are not required to provide a financial assessment.

Complete only the sections that apply to you; sign and date the form.

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# Section V - Previous Calendar Year Gross Annual Income of Veteran, Spouse and Dependent Children.

### Report

- Gross annual income from employment, except for income from your farm, ranch, property or business. Include your wages, bonuses, tips, severance pay and other accrued benefits and your child's income information if it could have been used to pay your household expenses.
- Net income from your farm, ranch, property, or business.
- Other income amounts, including retirement and pension income, Social Security Retirement and Social Security Disability income, compensation benefits such as VA disability, unemployment, Workers Compensation and Black Lung, cash gifts, interest and dividends, including tax exempt earnings and distributions from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) or annuities.

### Do Not Report:

Donations from public or private relief, welfare or charitable organizations; Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and need-based payments from a government agency; profit from the occasional sale of property; income tax refunds, reinvested interest on Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs); scholarships and grants for school attendance; disaster relief payments; reimbursement for casualty loss; loans; Radiation Compensation Exposure Act payments; Agent Orange settlement payments; Alaska Native Claims Settlement Acts Income, payments to foster parent; amounts in joint accounts in banks and similar institutions acquired by reason of death of the other joint owner; Japanese ancestry restitution under Public Law 100-383; cash surrender value of life insurance; lump-sum proceeds of life insurance policy on a Veteran; and payments received under the Medicare transitional assistance program.

## Section VI - Previous Calendar Year Deductible Expenses.

Report non-reimbursed medical expenses paid by you or your spouse. Include expenses for medical and dental care, medications, eyeglasses, Medicare, medical insurance premiums and other health care expenses paid by you for dependents and persons for whom you have a legal or moral obligation to support. Do not list expenses if you expect to receive reimbursement from insurance or other sources. Report last illness and burial expenses, e.g., prepaid burial, paid by the Veteran for spouse or dependent(s).

### Section VII - Consent to Copays and to Receive Communications.

By submitting this application, you are agreeing to pay the applicable VA copayments for care or services (including urgent care) as required by law. You also agree to receive communications from VA to your supplied email, home phone number, or mobile number. However, providing your email, home phone number, or mobile number is voluntary.

## **Section VIII - Submitting Your Update.**

- 1. Read Paperwork Reduction and Privacy Act Information, Section VI Consent to Copays and Assignment of Benefits.
- 2. Sign and Date the form. You or an individual to whom you have delegated your Power of Attorney must sign and date the form. If you sign with an "X", 2 people you know must witness you as you sign. They must sign the form and print their names. If the form is not signed and dated appropriately, VA will return it for you to complete.
- 3. Attach any continuation sheets, a copy of supporting materials or your Power of Attorney documents to your application.

## Where do I mail my update?

Mail the completed VA Form 10-10EZR and any supporting materials to the Health Eligibility Center, PO Box 5207, Janesville, WI 54545-5207.

#### PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT AND PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION

VA Burden Statement: An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for this project is 2900-0091, and it expires 07/31/2027. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 27 minutes per respondent, per year, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate and any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to VA Reports Clearance Officer at <a href="VACOPaperworkReduAct@va.gov">VACOPaperworkReduAct@va.gov</a>. Please refer to OMB Control No. 2900-0091 in any correspondence. Do not send your completed VA Form 10-10EZR to this email address.

**Privacy Act Information:** VA is asking you to provide the information on this form under 38 U.S.C. Sections 1710, 1712, and 1722 in order for VA to determine your eligibility for medical benefits. Information you supply may be verified from initial submission forward through a computer matching program. VA may disclose the information that you put on the form as permitted by law. VA may make a "routine use" disclosure of the information as outlined in the Privacy Act systems of records notices and in accordance with the Notice of Privacy Practices. Providing the requested information is voluntary, but if any or all of the requested information is not provided, it may delay or result in denial of your request for health care benefits. Failure to furnish the information will not have any effect on any other benefits to which you may be entitled. If you provide VA your Social Security Number, VA will use it to administer your VA benefits. VA may also use this information to identify veterans and persons claiming or receiving VA benefits and their records, and for other purposes authorized or required by law.

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Department of Veterans Affairs HEALTH BENEFITS UPDATE FORM						VA DATE STAMP (For VHA Use Only)		
	SECT							
	provides criminal penalties, in atement or representation. (So	г						
1A. VETERAN'S NAME (Last, First, Middle Name)				2. SOCIAL SECURITY (999-99-9999)		IAL SECURITY NUMBER 99-9999)	3A. SEX MALE FEMALE	
1B. PREFERR	ED NAME						4. DATE OF BIRTH (mm/dd/yyyy)	
5A. HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include area code) (optional) ((999) 999-9999)				5B. MOBILE TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include area code) (optional) ((999) 999-9999)			ude area code) (optional)	
6A. MAILING A	6A. MAILING ADDRESS (Street)					6B. CITY		
6C. STATE	6D. ZIP CODE	6E. COUNTY						
7A. HOME AD	7A. HOME ADDRESS (Street)					7B. CITY		
7C. STATE	7D. ZIP CODE	7E. COUNTY						
8. E-MAIL ADDRESS (optional)  9. CURRENT MARITAL STATUS  MARRIED NEVER MARRIED SEPARAT  WIDOWED DIVORCED						NEVER MARRIED SEPARATED		
10A. NEXT OF	Name)	10B. NEXT OF KIN ADDRESS						
10C. NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP				10D. NEXT OF KIN TELEPHONE NUMBER ((999) 999-9999)				
11A. EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME			11B. EMERGENCY CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include area code) ((999) 999-9999)					
	SECTION II -	INSURANCE INFORM	ATION (	Use a se	parate s	sheet for additional in	formation)	
1. ENTER YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER (include coverage through spouse or other person)								
2. NAME OF P	OLICY HOLDER	3. POLICY NUMBER	POLICY NUMBER				YOU ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID? (Federal h Insurance for low income adults)  S	
6A. ARE YOU	ENROLLED IN MEDICARE HOSE	PITAL INSURANCE PART A?	YE	s	NO	, 🖳	<del></del>	
6B. EFFECTIVE DATE (mm/dd/yyyy) 6C. MEDICARE NUMBER:								

# REMEMBER TO SIGN AND DATE THE FORM ON THE REVERSE PAGE

PREVIOUS EDITIONS OF THIS FORM ARE NOT TO BE USED

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HEALTH BENEFITS UPDATE FORM				VETERAN'S NAME (Last, First, Middle)				SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (999-99-9999)		
	SECTION	III - M	ILITAF	RY SE	RVICE INFORMATIO	N				
1A. LAST BRANCH OF SERVICE	1B. LAST ENTRY DATE (mm/	/dd/yyyy	v) 1C.	FUTUR	E DISCHARGE DATE (mm/d	ld/yyyy) 1D.	LAST DISCHARGE DATE	(mm/da	1/yyyy)	
1E. DISCHARGE TYPE						1F. MILITARY	SERVICE NUMBER			
2. MILITARY HISTORY (Check yes or no)				NO	NO					
A. ARE YOU A PURPLE HEART AWARD RECIPIENT?					D. WERE YOU DISCHARGED OR RETIRED FROM MILITARY FOR A DISABILITY INCURRED IN THE LINE OF DUTY?					
B. ARE YOU A FORMER PRISONER OF WAR?					E. DID YOU SERVE IN SW ASIA DURING THE GULF WAR BETWEEN AUGUST 2, 1990 AND NOVEMBER 11, 1998?					
C. DID YOU SERVE IN A COMBAT THEATER OF OPERATIONS AFTER 11/11/1998?					F. DO YOU HAVE A VA SERVICE-CONNECTED RATING?					
3. MILITARY EXPOSURE INFORMA		YES	NO					YES	NO	
A. DID YOU SERVE IN AN IONIZING RADIATION LOCATION AND PARTICIPATE IN ANY NUCLEAR TESTING, TREATMENTS, OR CLEAN UP? (Hiroshima and Nagasaki cleanup or Enewetak Atoll, cleanup of Air Force B-52 bomber carrying nuclear weapons off the coast of Palomares, Spain, response to the fire onboard an Air Force B-52 bomber carrying nuclear weapons near Thule Air Force Base in Greenland.)				Ag na Ro Pr the Ko	DID YOU SERVE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING HERBICIDE (e.g. Agent Orange) LOCATIONS? (Republic of Vietnam to include 12 nautical mile territorial waters; Thailand at any United States or Royal Thai base; Laos; Cambodia at Mimot or Krek; Kampong Cham Province; Guam or American Samoa; or in the territorial waters thereof; Johnston Atoll or a ship that called at Johnston Atoll; Korean demilitarized zone; aboard (to include repeated operations and maintenance with) a c-123 aircraft known to have been used to					
B. DID YOU SERVE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING GULF WAR HAZARD LOCATIONS? (Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, the neutral zone between Iraq and Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Lebanon, Somalia, Afghanistan, Israel, Egypt, Turkey, Syria, Jordan, Djibouti, Uzbekistan, the Gulf of Aden, the Gulf of Oman, the Persian Gulf, the Arabian Sea, and the Red Sea.) WHEN DID YOU SERVE IN THESE LOCATIONS? NOTE: Please provide an approximate time-frame (mm/yyyy) FROM: TO:				Spi Fo WHE NOT FROM	spray an herbicide agent (during service in the Air Force and Air Force Reserves.)  WHEN DID YOU SERVE IN THESE LOCATIONS?  WOTE: Please provide an approximate time-frame (mm/yyyy)  ROM: TO:  E. HAVE YOU BEEN EXPOSED TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? (Check all to Veterans can locate additional military exposure categories on VA's Public Howebsite at: https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/				ply)	
C. WERE YOU DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONS? (Enduring Freedom, Freedom's Sentinel, Iraqi Freedom, New Dawn, Inherent Resolve, and Resolute Support Mission.)					AIR POLLUTANTS (burn pits, sand, oil well/sulfur fires)  CHEMICALS (pesticides, herbicides, contaminated water)  CONTAMINATED WATER AT CAMP LEJEUNE					
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SEC	TION IV - DEPENDENT I	NFOF	RMATI	ON (U	se a separate sheet for a	dditional dev	endents)			
1. SPOUSE'S NAME (Last, First, Middle Name)				,	S'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUM	IBER 3. S	SPOUSE'S DATE OF BIRT	H		
5. DATE OF MARRIAGE (mm/dd/yy	6. SPOUSE'S ADDRESS	S AND 1	<u>l</u> TELEPH	ONE NU	JMBER (Street, City, State, 2	ZIP - if differen	t from Veteran's)			
7. CHILD'S NAME (Last, First, Mide	lle Name)				12. WAS CHILD PERMANEN	TLY AND TOTAL	LY DISABLED BEFORE TH	IE AGF (	OF 18?	
					12. WAS CHILD PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED BEFORE THE AGE OF 18?  YES NO					
8. CHILD'S DATE OF BIRTH  (mm/dd/yyyy)  9. CHILD'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBE  (999-99-9999)				BER –	13. IF CHILD IS BETWEEN 18 AND 23 YEARS OF AGE, DID CHILD ATTEND SCHOOL LAST CALENDAR YEAR?  YES NO					
10. DATE CHILD BECAME YOUR DEPENDENT (mm/dd/yyyy)					14. EXPENSES PAID BY YOUR DEPENDENT CHILD WITH REPORTABLE					
11. CHILD'S RELATIONSHIP TO YOU (Check one) SON DAUGHTER STEPSON STEPDAUGHTER					INCOME FOR COLLEGI (e.g., tuition, books, ma		L REHABILITATION OR T	KAINING	<del>i</del>	

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15. IF YOUR SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD DID NOT LIVE WITH YOU LAST YEAR, DID YOU PROVIDE SUPPORT?

YES NO

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SECTION V - PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR GRO		UAL INCOME OF VETER heet for additional dependen		EPENDENT CHILDREN	
`	•	VETERAN	SPOUSE	CHILD 1	
GROSS ANNUAL INCOME FROM EMPLOYMENT (wages, bonuse. etc.) EXCLUDING INCOME FROM YOUR FARM, RANCH, PROPE BUSINESS					
2. NET INCOME FROM YOUR FARM, RANCH, PROPERTY OR BUS	INESS				
3. LIST OTHER INCOME AMOUNTS (e.g., Social Security, compensal pension, interest, dividends) EXCLUDING WELFARE.	ation,				
SECTION VI - PREVIO	US CAL	ENDAR YEAR DEDUCT	IBLE EXPENSES		
1. TOTAL NON-REIMBURSED MEDICAL EXPENSES PAID BY YOU OR YOUR SPOUSE (e.g., payments for doctors, dentists, medications, Medicare, health insurance, hospital and nursing home) VA will calculate a deductible and the net medical expenses you may claim.					
2. AMOUNT YOU PAID LAST CALENDAR YEAR FOR FUNERAL AND BURIAL EXPENSES (INCLUDING PREPAID BURIAL EXPENSES) FOR YOUR DECEASED SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD (Also enter spouse or child's information in Section III.)					
3. AMOUNT YOU PAID LAST CALENDAR YEAR FOR YOUR COLLEGE OR VOCATIONAL EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES (e.g., tuition, books, fees, materials) DO NOT LIST YOUR DEPENDENTS' EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES.					
SECTION VII - CONSENT	то соі	PAYS AND TO RECEIVE	COMMUNICATIONS		
By submitting this application, you are agreeing to pay the appli agree to receive communications from VA to your supplied emai or mobile number is voluntary.		1 0	` 0 0 /		
A	ASSIGN	MENT OF BENEFITS			
I understand that pursuant to 38 U.S.C. Section 1729 and 42 U.S.C. (HP) or any other legally responsible third party for the reasonable c authorize payment directly to VA from any HP under which I am co charges for my medical care, including benefits otherwise payable to entity who is or may be legally responsible for the payment of the coprejudice my right to recover for my own benefit any amount in excentitled. I hereby appoint the Attorney General of the United States a and appropriate actions in order to recover and receive all or part of or administrative agency who may be responsible for payment of the my claim. Further, I hereby authorize any such third party or administrative or administrative agency who may be responsible for payment of the	harges of a vered (income or my ost of mediess of the cand the Se the amount e cost of m	nonservice-connected VA medic luding coverage provided under y spouse. Furthermore, I hereby ical services provided to me by t cost of medical services provided cretary of Veterans' Affairs and at herein assigned. I hereby authoredical services provided to me,	cal care or services furnished my spouse's HP) that is respassign to the VA any claim like VA. I understand that thi d to me by the VA or any of their designees as my Attornorize the VA to disclose, to rinformation from my medical	d or provided to me. I hereby consible for payment of the I may have against any person or a sassignment shall not limit or ther amount to which I may be neys-in-fact to take all necessary my attorney and to any third party al records as necessary to verify	

SECTION VIII - SUBMITTING YOUR UPDATE

ALL APPLICANTS MUST SIGN AND DATE THIS FORM. REFER TO INSTRUCTIONS WHICH DEFINE WHO CAN SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE VETERAN.

Federal law provides criminal penalties, including a fine and/or imprisonment, for any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation. (See 18 U.S.C. 287 and 1001).

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation, made knowingly, is punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment pursuant to title 18, United States Code, Sections 287 and 1001.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:	
(Sign in ink)	DATE (mm/dd/yyyy):

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