



HALL COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

**Serving Veterans In:
Hall/Howard/Nance
& Sherman Counties**

The background of the image features a silhouette of a person in a military uniform, standing with their back to the viewer. Behind the silhouette is a stylized American flag with horizontal stripes. The text is overlaid on this background in a large, bold, black font with a light blue glow effect.

**Our Goal is to Assist
Veterans & Their
Dependents in Obtaining
All Federal, State & County
Benefits They May Be
Entitled to Receive**

**Hall County
Veterans Service
Office
Linking Veterans
To Benefits**

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VA SERVICE CONNECTED COMPENSATION BENEFITS

- Assist veteran in obtaining regular monthly compensation due to a service related injury
- Complete all forms & supporting documents needed to submit a fully developed claim
 - Assist veteran in obtaining service medical records
 - Assist veteran in obtaining service personnel records
 - Help in obtaining the medical nexus – linking the current diagnosis with military service

NON-SERVICE CONNECTED PENSION

- **Assist eligible veteran in obtaining non-service connected pension benefits**
 - **Veteran must**
 - Have minimum of 90 days of service with at least one day in a war period (must have completed tour of duty if enlisted after 9/7/1980 (generally 24 months))
 - **Veteran must be totally disabled or over the age of 65**
 - **The amount of this benefit is based on all income & assets**
 - **Assist veteran in completing all necessary forms and supporting documents needed to apply for this benefit**
 - Assist Veteran with accurate completion of the Eligibility Verification Report (EVR) annually
 - Assist Veteran with completion of out of pocket medical expense form for annual reimbursement

SURVIVOR'S BENEFITS

- **Assist surviving dependents in obtaining benefits they may be entitled to, which include but not limited to:**
 - **Death and Indemnity Compensation (DIC)**
 - **Widows & survivors pension (means based)**
 - **Month of Death Benefit**
 - **ChampVA Health insurance**
 - **Survivor's Benefit Plan (SBP)**
 - **VA life insurance (application for 1 lump sum)**
 - **Emergency assistance due to an unforeseen emergent need**

Nebraska Veterans Aid Program

- **The NVA Fund was established in 1921**
- **Must be a current resident of the State of Nebraska**
 - Temporary emergency aid fund assists veterans and dependents when an unforeseen emergency exists
 - The applications are submitted for consideration by the State Department of Veterans Affairs
 - Assistance may help with
 - Food
 - Rent/mortgage
 - Energy (electric, fuel, natural gas)
 - Shelter
 - Wearing apparel
 - Funeral expenses
 - Medical, dental expenses (including hearing aids, eye glasses, pharmacy, COBRA & health insurance premiums)
 - Assist with request for medical charitable write-off

County Veterans Assistance

- Emergency assistance for veterans & dependents due to an unforeseen emergent need
- County residency requirement
 - Immediate financial assistance, after application has been approved
 - Can be used prior to NVA and/or after the NVA has been exhausted
 - May assist with:
 - Food
 - Rent/mortgage
 - Energy (electric, fuel, natural gas)
 - Shelter
 - Wearing apparel
 - Funeral expenses
 - Medical, dental expenses (including hearing aids, eye glasses, pharmacy, COBRA & health insurance premiums)
 - Assist with request for medical charitable write-off

Discharge & Military Records

- **Assist veterans in obtaining service records**
 - 201 personnel file with duty assignments
 - Service medical records
 - Service medals and awards
 - Certified DD214 discharge document
 - National Guard/Reserve records

Educational Benefits

- **Assist veteran in completing all necessary forms for education benefits**
- **Assist Service Disabled Veteran in obtaining Veterans Vocational Rehabilitation, educational training and employment**
- **Provide necessary paperwork for State Waiver of Tuition for 100% Service Connected veteran's dependents**

Health Insurance

- Assist the dependents of 100% permanent and totally disabled veterans in obtaining ChampVA Health Insurance
- Submit completed application packet to ChampVA including all supporting documentation
- Assist with obtaining prescription medication from the Meds-by-Mail program
- Assist with medical and prescription claims

Nebraska Veterans Home System

- Counseling on the need for power of attorney and or guardianship/conservatorship
- Must have at least 2 years residence in the state of Nebraska
- Complete all necessary forms and include all supporting documents for admission to the Nebraska Veterans Home System
 - Veteran
 - Spouse
 - Surviving Spouse
 - Gold Star Parent

Life Insurance

- Assist with application for VA Service Disabled Life insurance
- Apply for waiver of premiums if veteran is 100% disabled prior to age 65
- Assist surviving dependents in obtaining lump sum of life insurance
- Veteran must apply within 2 years of receiving a NEW disability rating, this can not be an increase of a current disability or IU

VA Home Loan Guarantee

- Provide assistance to fill out all necessary paperwork needed to obtain a VA Home Loan Guarantee certificate



Hospitalization

- **Coordinate with the VA Hospital for services veterans may be entitled to which include but are not limited to:**
 - Rent assistance (veterans transitioning from treatment)
 - Plan of Care to the Nebraska Veterans Home
 - Enrollment eligibility
 - Referral to the Social Worker for in home health care
 - Application for temporary 100% when hospitalized with a service related injury
 - Assist with request for co-pay refund
 - Application for Home Modification Grants for Disability Accommodations “HISA”

Death Benefits

- Complete all forms necessary for dependents to obtain any death benefits they may be entitled to
- Assist with the Government Grave Marker application
- Provide a flag holder grave marker and flag for all veterans buried in counties we serve
- Presentation of the flag at funeral services upon request
- Provide Nebraska Veterans Assistance &/or County Veterans Assistance for burial expenses if there is a need
- Request Presidential Memorial Certificate

Veterans Preference

- Assist veteran in obtaining employment preference letter
- 5 point preference - for any employment
- 10 point preference - for any service connected veteran seeking employment
- 10 point preference – veteran that is a recipient of a purple heart



Review of Discharge

- Assist Veteran in applying for correction on Discharge (DD214)
- Provide forms necessary for the veteran to complete to apply for an up-grade of characterization of service
 - i.e. General discharge to Honorable

Miscellaneous Benefits

- Help veterans in applying for the following benefits:
 - Nebraska Hunt and Fish Permit
 - Veterans License Plates
 - Homestead Exemption for Veterans & Dependents
 - Annual Clothing Allowance
 - Vehicle/Vehicle Modification Grants for Disability Accommodations

