INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING HEALTH BENEFITS RENEWAL FORM

Step 1: Before You Start...

What is VA Form 10-10EZR used for?

To update your personal, insurance, or financial information after you are enrolled.

Where can I get help filling out the form?

- Contact a National or State Veterans Service Organization.
- Ask VA to help you fill out the form by calling or visiting a VA health care facility. Before you call or go to the VA health care facility, gather the necessary materials identified in Step 2 of the instructions and complete as much of the form as you can.

How can I contact VA if I have questions?

- Look in your telephone book blue pages under "United States Government, Veterans" to locate your local VA health care facility.
- Call VA's Health Benefits Service Center toll-free at 1-877-222-VETS (8387).
- Access our website at http://www.va.gov and select "Contact the VA."

Definitions of terms used on this form

- SERVICE-CONNECTED (SC): A veteran with 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 determination by VA that a service-connected disability is severe enough to warrant monetary compensation.
- NONCOMPENSABLE: A determination by VA that a service-connected disability is not severe enough to warrant monetary compensation.
- NONSERVICE-CONNECTED (NSC): A veteran who does not have a VA determined service-related condition.

Which sections of VA Form 10-10EZR should you complete?

Look at the table below to find out which sections of VA Form 10-10EZR you should complete. The shaded sections should be completed only if you answer "Yes" to Section V agreeing to provide income and asset information to establish eligibility for care. You may agree to copayments without providing this detailed financial information.

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Service-connected 50% to 100%. Answer YES in Section V and complete Sections VI-VIII to have your financial eligibility for waiver of travel deductibles assessed.	x	X	х	х	х		X		
Service-connected 30-40%. Answer YES in Section V and complete Sections VI-VIII to have your financial eligibility for cost-free medications for treatment of your nonservice-connected conditions and waiver of travel deductibles assessed.	X	X	х	х	х		x		
Service-connected 0% (compensable) or service-connected 10-20%. Answer YES in Section V and complete Sections VI-VIII to have your financial eligibility for cost-free medications and beneficiary travel for treatment of your nonservice-connected conditions assessed.	x	x	x	x	x		х		
A Former POW. Answer YES in Section V and complete Sections VI-VIII to have your financial eligibility for beneficiary travel assessed. Also, complete Section IX if applying for long-term care.	х	х	х	х	х		х		
A veteran discharged from the military due to a disability incurred or aggravated in service or Purple Heart Medal recipient veteran. Answer YES in Section V and complete Sections VI-VIII to have your financial eligibility for beneficiary travel assessed. Also, complete Section IX if applying for long-term care.	x	х	х	х	х		х		
Receiving nonservice-connected VA Pension, Aid and Attendance or Housebound benefits. Answer YES in Section V and complete Sections VI-IX to have your financial eligibility for long-term care assessed. Unmarried VA Pensioners are excluded from this requirement.	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		
A recent combat veteran (e.g., OEF/OIF). You are not required to provide your financial information for 5 years post discharge or if you applied for enrollment after January 27, 2008 and were discharged before January 28, 2003 until January 27, 2011. However, if you answer YES in Section V and complete Sections VI-IX you will have your priority for enrollment and financial eligibility for cost-free medical care, medications, long-term care and beneficiary travel for treatment of your nonservice-connected conditions assessed.	x	X	x	х	х	х	x		
Service-connected 0% (noncompensable) or nonservice-connected with no special eligibilities listed above. Answer YES in Section V and complete Sections VI-IX to have your priority for enrollment and financial eligibility for cost-free medical care, medications, long-term care and beneficiary travel for treatment of your nonservice-connected conditions assessed.	X	X	X	х	x	х	х		

Step 2: Completing your application ...

Review the table in Step 1 to find out what sections you should complete. Answer all questions in those sections. If you need more space to answer a question, attach a sheet of paper to the form containing your name and Social Security Number. For each question that you need more room, write "Continuation of Item" and write the section and question number.

Section II - Insurance Information.

Include information for all health insurance policies that cover you. 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.

Section V - Financial Disclosure.

The financial assessment is used to determine whether certain veterans qualify for cost-free health care services for their NSC conditions and to assign their priority for enrollment. You should review the table in Step 1 to see if your eligibility for health care benefits requires or may be based on a financial assessment. Recent combat veterans (e.g., OEF/OIF) are not required to provide their financial information for 5 years post discharge or if they applied for enrollment after January 27, 2008 and were discharged before January 28, 2003 until January 27, 2011, but like other veterans may provide it to establish their eligibility for travel reimbursement, cost-free medication and/or medical care for services unrelated to military experience and consideration for waiver of travel deductibles.

You are not required to disclose your financial information. If a financial assessment is not used to determine your priority for enrollment you may choose not to disclose your information and agree to make copayments for treatment of your NSC conditions. If a financial assessment is used to determine your eligibility for travel assistance or waiver, and you do not disclose your financial information, you will not be eligible for these benefits. If you are such a veteran by signing this application you are agreeing to pay the applicable VA copayments as required by law.

Section VI - Dependent Information. Use a separate sheet of paper for additional dependent children.

- You may count your spouse as your dependent even if you did not live together, as long as you contributed \$600 or more in support last calendar year.
- You may count your biological children, adopted children, and stepchildren as dependents. But 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.
- Count child support contributions even if not paid in regular set amounts. Contributions can include tuition payments of medical bills.

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

Use a separate sheet of paper for additional dependent children.

- Report: gross annual income from employment, except for income from your farm, ranch, property or business, including
 information about 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.
- Report: net income from your farm, ranch, property or business.
- Report: other income amounts, including retirement and pension income, Social Security Retirement and Social Security Disability income, compensation benefits such as VA disability, unemployment, Workers and black lung, cash gifts, interest and dividends, including tax exempt earnings and distributions from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) or annuities.
- Do Not Report: Welfare, 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 payment or proceeds of casualty insurance, loans, Agent Orange and Alaska Native Claim Settlement Acts Income and payments to foster parents.

Section VIII - Previous Calendar Year Deductible Expenses.

Report nonreimbursed medical expenses paid by you or your spouse. Include expenses for medical and dental care, drugs, 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.

Section IX - Previous Calendar Year Net Worth. Use a separate sheet of paper for additional dependent children.

Your net worth is the market value of all the interest and rights you have in any kind of property. However net worth does not include your single-family residence and a reasonable lot area surrounding it. It also does not include the personal things you use every day like your vehicle, clothing and furniture.

Step 3: Submitting your application ...

What do I do when I have finished my application?

- Read Section IV (Paperwork Reduction and Privacy Act Information), Section X (Consent to Copayments), and Section XI
 (Assignment of Benefits).
- Make sure you sign and date VA Form 10-10EZR in Section XI. 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", then you must have 2 people you know witness you as you sign. They must then sign the form and print their names. If the form is not signed and dated appropriately, VA will return it for you to complete. This will result in a delay in processing your application.
- Attach any continuation sheets and necessary material to your application.

Where do I send my application?

Mail the original application with a copy of your supporting materials to your local VA health care facility. You can find the address in your local telephone book, by calling toll-free 1-877-222-VETS (8387), or on the Internet at http://www.va.gov.

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SECTION IV - PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT AND PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION

SECTION III - EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Date of retirement

Date of retirement

(mm/dd/yyyy)

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The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires us to notify you that this information collection is in accordance with the clearance requirements of Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. We may not conduct or sponsor, and you are not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB number. We anticipate that the time expended by all individuals who must complete this form will average 24 minutes. This includes the time it will take to read instructions, gather the necessary facts and fill out the form.

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 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 VHA 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.

1. VETERAN'S EMPLOYMENT STATUS (check one)

If employed or retired,

2. SPOUSE'S EMPLOYMENT STATUS (check one)

If employed or retired,

complete item 1A

complete item 2A

9. NAME EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR MEDICARE CARD

FULL TIME NOT EMPLOYED

RETIRED

RETIRED

NOT EMPLOYED

PART TIME

FULL TIME

PART TIME

10. MEDICARE CLAIM NUMBER

1A. COMPANY NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

2A, COMPANY NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

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

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE (mm/dd/yyyy)

SECTION XI - ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS

I understand that pursuant to 38 U.S.C. Section 1729, VA is authorized to recover or collect from my health plan (HP) for the reasonable charges of nonservice-connected VA medical care or services furnished or provided to me. I hereby authorize payment directly to VA from any HP under which I am covered (including coverage provided

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under my spouse's HP) that is responsible for payment of the charges for my medical care, including benefits otherwise payable to me or my spouse.

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