

Veterans and Widows of Veterans  
Aid & Attendance Benefit Information

Pre-requisite:

1. Must be a veteran or widow of a veteran who was honorably discharged and who served at least 90 days and at least 1 of those 90 days was during the following time periods, i.e. during wartime
  - a. 12/7/41 to 12/31/46
  - b. 6/27/50 to 1/31/55
  - c. 8/5/64 to 5/7/75
2. Amount of Net worth not to exceed \$80,000 for a couple and \$50,000 for a single person.
3. For widow, must have been married to the veteran at the time of his death
4. Medical Expenses exceed income. The following count as medical expenses:
  - a. Prescriptions
  - b. Health Insurance Premium
  - c. Medicare Premium
  - d. Incontinence Briefs
  - e. Assisted Living Expenses: up to 73% of assisted living fees count toward medical expenses

Information/Documentation Required:

1. Discharge Papers
2. Social Security number of Veteran; widow's SSN if applicable
3. Veteran's Date of Birth
4. Veteran's address & phone No.; or Widow's address & phone no.
5. Marriage information, as applicable
6. Letter from Assisted Living Home
  - a. Date entered
  - b. Level of Care
  - c. Cost per day
7. Medical Information
8. Financial Information

Contact Person: Dept. of Veterans Affairs  
Regional Office  
1000 Liberty Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222  
Phone: 1-800-827-1000  
Fax: 1-412-395-6081

**The family is responsible for pursuing this benefit.** *Call the Dept. of Veterans Affairs phone number above to receive the forms necessary to apply for this benefit.* You can begin to collect the supporting documentation (e.g. discharge papers, marriage papers) immediately. Once the person is a resident here, I will supply you with a letter from The Welty Home. The VA wants their documentation sent in at one time.