

## Exam Scheduling Request

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<u>Branch(es) of Service</u>	<u>Entry on Duty</u>	<u>Release Active Duty</u>	<u>Era(s) of Service</u>
Navy	Aug 01, 1990	Jul 31, 2019	Gulf War
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**Date of Claim:** ~~06/08/2020~~

**Initial Live Comp < 8 issues**

Post-Discharge Claim

Payee Number: 00

Remand: NO

**depression**

**Classification: Mental Disorders**

**Type: NEW**

### Standard Language Output Text:

The Veteran is claiming service connection for depression. Please examine the Veteran for a chronic disability related to his or her claimed condition and indicate the current level of severity.

The Veteran needs to report for all examinations for the following Contention:

- depression

ACE process must not be used to complete the DBQ(s).

For this Contention, VBMS expects a results package to at minimum include data pertaining to the following DBQ(s):

- DBQ General Medical - Compensation
- DBQ PSYCH Mental Disorders

If more than one mental disorder is diagnosed please comment on their relationship to one another and, if possible, please state which symptoms are attributed to each disorder.

**plantar fasciitis**

**Classification: Musculoskeletal - Foot**

**Type: NEW**

### Standard Language Output Text:

The Veteran is claiming service connection for plantar fasciitis. Please examine the Veteran for a chronic disability related to his or her claimed condition and indicate the current level of severity.

When completing any musculoskeletal DBQ, additional information is required to comply with a recent US

Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (CAVC) decision in the case of Mitchell v. Shinseki, relating to functional limitations. In the section of the DBQ titled "Functional loss and additional limitation in ROM" additional questions must be addressed. For each joint examined, please provide an opinion.

- (1) Whether pain, weakness, fatigability, or incoordination could significantly limit functional ability during flare-ups, or when the joint is used repeatedly over a period of time, and
- (2) Describe any such additional limitation due to pain, weakness, fatigability or incoordination, and if feasible, this opinion should be expressed in terms of the degrees of additional ROM loss due to "pain on use or during flare-ups".
- (3) If such opinion is not feasible, please state and provide an explanation as to why the opinion cannot be rendered.
- (4) For any joint condition, please test the contralateral joint, unless medically contraindicated. Address pain on both passive and active motion, and on both weightbearing and non-weightbearing motion. If unable to test, please provide rationale.

When pain is associated with movement, the examiner must give a statement on whether pain could significantly limit functional ability during flare-ups and repeated use over time in terms of additional loss of range of motion. Pursuant to the Court's holding in Sharp v. Shulkin, 29 Vet.App. 26 (2017), if a flare-up event is not directly observed during the examination, the examiner is requested to provide an estimate on the frequency, duration, and severity of decreased range of motion in degrees during flare-ups in the exam report.

If the examiner is unable to provide a statement regarding additional loss of range of motion during flare-ups or repeated use over time without resorting to speculation, he or she must provide a rationale for this statement based on all procurable information to include the veteran's testimony on examination, case specific evidence to include medical treatment records when applicable, and the examiner's medical expertise. The statement should not be based on an examiner's shortcomings or a general aversion to offering this statement on issues not directly observed.

The Veteran needs to report for all examinations for the following Contention:

- plantar fasciitis

ACE process must not be used to complete the DBQ(s).

For this Contention, VBMS expects a results package to at minimum include data pertaining to the following DBQ(s):

- DBQ General Medical - Compensation

**left knee condition**

**Classification: Musculoskeletal - Knee**

**Type: NEW**

**Standard Language Output Text:**

The Veteran is claiming service connection for left knee condition. Please examine the Veteran for a chronic disability related to his or her claimed condition and indicate the current level of severity.

When completing any musculoskeletal DBQ, additional information is required to comply with a recent US Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (CAVC) decision in the case of Mitchell v. Shinseki, relating to functional limitations. In the section of the DBQ titled "Functional loss and additional limitation in ROM" additional questions must be addressed. For each joint examined, please provide an opinion.

- (1) Whether pain, weakness, fatigability, or incoordination could significantly limit functional ability during flare-ups, or when the joint is used repeatedly over a period of time, and

(2) Describe any such additional limitation due to pain, weakness, fatigability or incoordination, and if feasible, this opinion should be expressed in terms of the degrees of additional ROM loss due to "pain on use or during flare-ups".

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The Veteran needs to report for all examinations for the following Contention:

- left knee condition

ACE process must not be used to complete the DBQ(s).

For this Contention, VBMS expects a results package to at minimum include data pertaining to the following DBQ(s):

- DBQ General Medical - Compensation

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