<u>Comment:</u> Someone has gone to a lot of trouble. If this helps one person, then it was worthwhile. Please pass this on to all Vets on your e-mail list.

Below are websites that provide information on veteran's benefits and how to file/ask for them. There are many sites that explain how to obtain books, military/medical records, information and how to appeal a denied claim with the VA.

Please pass this information on to every veteran you know. Nearly 100% of this information is free and available for all veterans. The only catch is: you have to ask for it. You need to know what questions to ask so the right doors open for you and then be ready to have an advocate who is willing to work with and for you, stay in the process, and press for your rights and your best interests.

Appeals <a href="http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21\_1/mr/part1/ch05..doc">http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21\_1/mr/part1/ch05..doc</a>

Board of Veteran's Appeals http://www.va.gov/vbs/bva/

CARES Commission http://www.va.gov/vbs/bva/

CARES Draft National Plan <a href="http://www1.va.gov/cares/page.cfm?pg=105">http://www1.va.gov/cares/page.cfm?pg=105</a>

Center for Minority Veterans http://www1.va.gov/centerforminorityveterans/

Center for Veterans Enterprise <a href="http://www.vetbiz.gov/default2.htm">http://www.vetbiz.gov/default2.htm</a>

Center for Women Veterans http://www1.va.gov/womenvet/

Clarification on the changes in VA healthcare for Gulf War Veterans

http://www.gulfwarvets.com/ubb/Forum1/HTML/000016.html

Classified Records - American Gulf War Veterans Assoc

http://www.qulfwarvets.com/ubb/Forum18/HTML/000011.html

Compensation for Disabilities Associated with the Gulf War Service

http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21\_1/part6%20/ch07.doc

Compensation Rate Tables, 12-1-03 http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/Rates/comp01.htm

Department of Veterans Affairs Home Page http://www.va.gov/

Directory of Veterans Service Organizations <a href="http://www1.va.gov/vso/index.cfm?template=view">http://www1.va.gov/vso/index.cfm?template=view</a>

**Disability Examination Worksheets Index, Comp** 

http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/Benefits/exams/index.htm

Due Process http://www.warms..vba.va.gov/admin21/m21\_1/mr/part1/ch02.doc

Duty to Assist http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21 1/mr/part1/ch01.doc

Electronic Code of Federal Regulations <a href="http://www.gpoaccess.gov/ecfr/">http://www.gpoaccess.gov/ecfr/</a>

Emergency, Non-emergency, and Fee Basis Care http://www1.va.gov/opa/vadocs/fedben.pdf

Environmental Agents <a href="http://www1.va.gov/environagents/">http://www1.va.gov/environagents/</a>

**Environmental Agents M10** 

http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub ID=1002

**Establishing Combat Veteran Eligibility** 

http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub ID=315

EVALUATION PROTOCOL FOR GULF WAR AND IRAQI FREEDOM VETERANS WITH POTENTIAL EXPOSURE TO DEPLETED URANIUM (DU)

http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/DUHandbook1303122304.DOC and

http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=1158

See also, Depleted Uranium Fact Sheet

http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/DepletedUraniumFAQSheet.doc

EVALUATION PROTOCOL FOR NON-GULF WAR VETERANS WITH POTENTIAL EXPOSURE TO DEPLETED URANIUM (DU)

http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/DUHANDBOOKNONGW130340304.DOC

Fee Basis, PRIORITY FOR OUTPATIENT MEDICAL SERVICES AND INPATIENT HOSPITAL CARE http://www1.va..gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub ID=206 Federal Benefits for

Veterans and Dependants 2005 http://www1.va.gov/opa/vadocs/fedben.pdf OR,

http://www1.va..gov/opa/vadocs/current benefits.htm

Forms and Records Request http://www.va.gov/vaforms/

**General Compensation Provisions** 

http://www.access.gpo.gov/uscode/title38/partii\_chapter11\_subchaptervi\_.html

Geriatrics and Extended Care <a href="http://www1.va.gov/geriatricsshg/">http://www1.va.gov/geriatricsshg/</a>

**Guideline for Chronic Pain and Fatigue MUS-CPG** 

http://www.oqp.med.va.gov/cpg/cpgn/mus/mus\_base.htm

Guide to Gulf War Veteran's Health http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/VHIgulfwar.pdf

Gulf War Subject Index http://www1.va.gov/GulfWar/page.cfm?pg=7&template=main&letter=A

**Gulf War Veteran's Illnesses Q&As** 

http://www1.va.gov/gulfwar/docs/GWIIInessesQandAsIB1041.pdf

**Hearings** 

http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/admin21/m21\_1/mr/part1/ch04.doc

Homeless Veterans http://www1.va.gov/homeless/

HSR&D Home <a href="http://www.hsrd.research.va.gov/">http://www.hsrd.research.va.gov/</a>

Index to Disability Examination Worksheets C&P exams

http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/benefits/exams/index.htm

Ionizing Radiation <a href="http://www1.va.gov/irad/">http://www1.va.gov/irad/</a>

Iraqi Freedom/Enduring Freedom Veterans VBA http://www.vba.va.gov/EFIF/

M 10 for spouses and children <

http://www1..va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=1007

M10 Part III Change 1 http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=1008

M21-1 Table of Contents <a href="http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/M21\_1.html">http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/M21\_1.html</a>

Mental Disorders, Schedule of Ratings

http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/regs/38CFR/BOOKC/PART4/S4\_130..DOC

**Mental Health Program Guidelines** 

http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=1094

Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Centers http://www.mirecc.med.va.gov/

MS (Multiple Sclerosis) Centers of Excellence http://www.va.gov/ms/about.asp

My Health e Vet <a href="http://www.myhealth.va.gov/">http://www.myhealth.va.gov/</a>

NASDVA.COM http://nasdva.com/

National Association of State Directors http://www.nasdva.com/

**National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention** 

http://www.nchpdp.med.va.gov/postdeploymentlinks.asp

Neurological Conditions and Convulsive Disorders, Schedule of Ratings

http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/regs/38cfr/bookc/part4/s4%5F124a.doc

OMI (Office of Medical Inspector) http://www.omi.cio.med.va.gov/

Online VA Form 10-10EZ https://www.1010ez..med.va.gov/sec/vha/1010ez/

Parkinson's Disease and Related Neurodegenerative Disorders

http://www1.va.gov/resdev/funding/solicitations/docs/parkinsons.pdf

and, http://www1.va.gov/padrecc/

Peacetime Disability Compensation <a href="http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-">http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-</a>

bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=browse\_usc&docid=Cite:+38USC1131

Pension for Non-Service-Connected Disability or Death

http://www.access.gpo.gov/uscode/title38/partii chapter15 subchapteri .html and,

http://www.access.gpo.gov/uscode/title38/partii chapter15 subchapterii .html

and, http://www.access.gpo.gov/uscode/title38/partii\_chapter15\_subchapteriii\_.html

Persian Gulf Registry <a href="http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub">http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub</a> ID=1003

This program is now referred to as Gulf War Registry Program (to include Operation Iraqi Freedom) as of March 7, 2005:

http://www1..va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=1232

**Persian Gulf Registry Referral Centers** 

http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=1006

Persian Gulf Veterans' Illnesses Research 1999, Annual Report To Congress

http://www1.va.gov/resdev/1999\_Gulf\_War\_Veterans'\_Illnesses\_Appendices.doc

**Persian** 

Gulf Veterans' Illnesses Research 2002, Annual Report To Congress

http://www1.va.gov/resdev/prt/gulf war 2002/GulfWarRpt02..pdf

Phase I PGR http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub ID=1004

Phase II PGR http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=1005

Policy Manual Index http://www.va.gov/publ/direc/eds/edsmps.htm

Power of Attorney <a href="http://www.warms.vba..va.gov/admin21/m21">http://www.warms.vba..va.gov/admin21/m21</a> 1/mr/part1/ch03.doc

112 (Including Project SHAD) http://www1.va.gov/shad/

Prosthetics Eligibility <a href="http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=337">http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/ViewPublication.asp?pub\_ID=337</a>

**Project** 

Public Health and Environmental Hazards Home Page <a href="http://www.vethealth.cio..med.va.gov/">http://www.vethealth.cio..med.va.gov/</a>

Public Health/SARS <a href="http://www..publichealth.va.gov/SARS/">http://www..publichealth.va.gov/SARS/</a>

Publications Manuals http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/publications.cfm?Pub=4

**Publications and Reports** 

http://www1.va.gov/resdev/prt/pubs individual.cfm?webpage=gulf war.htm

Records Center and Vault Homepage <a href="http://www.aac.va.gov/vault/default.html">http://www.aac.va.gov/vault/default.html</a>

Records Center and Vault Site Map http://www.aac.va.gov/vault/sitemap.html

REQUEST FOR AND CONSENT TO RELEASE OF INFORMATION FROM CLAIMANT'S RECORDS

http://www.forms.va.gov/va/Internet/VARF/getformharness.asp?formName=3288-form.xft

Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans Illnesses April 11, 2002

http://www1.va.gov/rac-gwvi/docs/Minutes\_April112002.doc

Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans Illnesses

http://www1.va..gov/rac-gwvi/docs/ReportandRecommendations\_2004.pdf

Research and Development http://www.appc1.va.gov/resdev/programs/all\_programs.cfm

**Survivor's and Dependents' Educational Assistance** 

http://www.access.gpo.gov/uscode/title38/partiii\_chapter35\_.html

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idx?c=ecfr&sid=ab7641afd195c84a49a2067dbbcf95c0&rgn=div6&view=text&node=38:1.0.1.1.5.2&idno=38

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U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims <a href="http://www.vetapp.gov/">http://www.vetapp.gov/</a>

**VA Best Practice Manual for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)** 

http://www.avapl.org/pub/PTSD%20Manual%20final%206.pdf

VA Fact Sheet http://www1.va.gov/opa/fact/gwfs.html

VA Health Care Eligibility http://www.va..gov/healtheligibility/home/hecmain.asp

VA INSTITUTING GLOBAL ASSESSMENT OF FUNCTION (GAF)

http://www.avapl.org/gaf/gaf.html

VA Life Insurance Handbook ¬" Chapter 3

http://www.insurance.va.gov/inForceGliSite/GLlhandbook/glibookletch3.htm#310

VA Loan Lending Limits and Jumbo Loans http://valoans.com/va\_facts\_limits.cfm

VA MS Research http://www.va.gov/ms/about.asp

VA National Hepatitis C Program <a href="http://www.hepatitis.va.gov/">http://www.hepatitis.va.gov/</a>

VA Office of Research and Development <a href="http://www1.va.gov/resdev/">http://www1.va.gov/resdev/</a>

VA Trainee Pocket Card on Gulf War http://www.va.gov/OAA/pocketcard/gulfwar.asp

VA WMD EMSHG <a href="http://www1.va.gov/emshg/">http://www1.va.gov/emshg/</a>

VA WRIISC-DC <a href="http://www.va.gov/WRIISC-DC/">http://www.va.gov/WRIISC-DC/</a>

VAOIG Hotline Telephone Number and Address <a href="http://www.va.gov/oig/hotline/hotline3.htm">http://www.va.gov/oig/hotline/hotline3.htm</a>

Vet Center Eligibility - Readjustment Counseling Service http://www.va.gov/rcs/Eligibility.htm

Veterans Benefits Administration Main Web Page http://www.vba.va.gov/

Veterans Legal and Benefits Information <a href="http://valaw.org/">http://valaw.org/</a>

VHA Forms, Publications, Manuals <a href="http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/">http://www1.va.gov/vhapublications/</a>

**VHA Programs - Clinical Programs & Initiatives** 

http://www1.va.gov/health\_benefits/page.cfm?pg=13

http://webmaila.juno.com/webmail/new/UrlBlockedError.aspx>

VHA Public Health Strategic Health Care Group Home Page http://www.publichealth.va..gov/VHI Guide to Gulf War Veterans ¬(tm) Health

http://www1.va.gov/vhi ind study/gulfwar/istudy/index.asp

Vocational Rehabilitation http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre/

Vocational Rehabilitation Subsistence <a href="http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre/InterSubsistencefy04.doc">http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre/InterSubsistencefy04.doc</a>

VONAPP online <a href="http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/main.asp">http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/main.asp</a>

WARMS - 38 CFR Book C http://www.warms.vba.va.gov/bookc.html

Wartime Disability Compensation http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-

bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=browse\_usc&docid=Cite:+38USC1110

War-Related Illness and Injury Study Center - New Jersey http://www.wri.med.va.gov/

Welcome to the GI Bill Web Site http://www.gibill.va.gov/

What VA Social Workers Do http://www1.va.gov/socialwork/page.cfm?pg=3

WRIISC Patient Eligibility http://www.illegion.org/va1.html