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Changes to the Priority Group 8 Enrollment

In 2003, VA made the difficult decision to stop enrolling new Priority Group 8 (high income) Veterans in order to assure all Veterans are provided timely and quality medical care. New regulations have been proposed that would allow certain Priority Group 8 Veterans to be enrolled in the VA health care system if their household income does not exceed the current VA income thresholds (means test threshold and/or geographical means test threshold) by more than 10%. We anticipate the new regulations to take effect in June 2009.

If you have applied for enrollment on or after January 1, 2009 and you were denied enrollment because your income exceeded the VA income threshold, VA will determine if you are eligible under this new rule, once the new regulations take effect. You will not need to submit another application for enrollment. If you are eligible under this new rule, VA will notify you by mail. You will receive a letter from the VA Health Eligibility Center notifying you of your eligibility for enrollment and welcoming you to the VA health care system.

If you applied for enrollment before January 1, 2009, and were denied enrollment because your income was too high, VA encourages all Veterans to apply for enrollment as this will help in future planning and budget efforts as well as allow VA to be in a better position to identify necessary funding levels to Congress.

VA encourages you to take advantage of the enrollment calculator to assist you in determining if you are now eligible for enrollment under this new regulation. Simply visit www.va.gov to access the enrollment calculator.

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Sample of Veterans
Identification
Card

Veterans Identification Card



VA provides qualified veterans a Veterans Identification Card (VIC) for use at VA health care facilities. Once eligibility for VA medical benefits is verified and you have your picture taken at Dallas VA, Bonham VA or the Ft Worth OPC, your card will be mailed to you usually within 5 to 7 days.

The VIC does not contain any sensitive, identifying information such as your social security number or date of birth on the card. The VIC indicates Service Connected, Purple Heart, and Former POW.

VICs cannot be used as a credit or an insurance card and it does not authorize or pay for care at non-VA facilities.

If you lose your card or do not receive your card in the mail, contact the VA where your picture was taken to request a new card be sent to you. You may also contact 877-222-8387 to check on the status of your card.



Denton County Clerk
1450 E. McKinney Street
Denton, TX 76209
940-349-2012

Denton County Veterans Service Office no longer retains DD214's, Statements of Service or Discharge Certificates.

We advise veterans to record their documents at the County Clerks office.

Military Record
Request

vetrecs.archives.gov

If you need to request a copy of your military discharge you may do so online at www.vetrecs.archives.gov or you may come into our office and we can help you with the request.



Denton VA Clinic

**Denton VA Outpatient Clinic
2223 Colorado Blvd
Denton, TX 76205
940-202-2187**

(Across from Golden Triangle Mall—Next to Sonic)

Primary Care Services:

- Physical Examinations
- On-Site Laboratory
- Medicare Care (Diabetes, COPD, Hypertension, Coronary Arterial Disease, etc.)
- EKGs
- Immunizations (Flu, Pneumonia, etc.)
- X-Rays
- Scheduled appointments
- Free parking within a few feet of clinic entrance

Mental Health Services:

- Individual Counseling
- Group Counseling
- PTSD Groups
- Smoking Cessation
- Weight Counseling
- Grief Counseling (Loss of Spouse, Parents, Brothers, Sisters, Close Friends)
- Life Events Counseling (Caring for Spouse or Loved One with Alzheimer's or terminal illness)

Enrollment Services:

- Assistance with completing required VA enrollment forms
- Enrollment usually within 4 days for completed applications

Denton County Veterans Service Office can also assist with completing enrollment forms



AARP Income Tax Preparation at Denton Senior Center

Through Wednesday April 15th

Tax Preparers will be available:

Monday 1-4PM

Tuesday 8-4PM with noon lunch break

Wednesday 1-4PM

Thursday 8-11AM

One preparer will be available to see walk-ins during these times, the two other preparers are taking appointments. This is a program designed primarily for seniors and low income taxpayers who do not file complicated returns.

You will need to bring a picture ID, social security cards for all taxpayers and dependents, all tax documents you may have received such as social security and pension statements and a copy of last year's return if you have it, and the amount of the economic stimulus payment that you may have received last year. The tax preparers are trained volunteers who are donating their time. To schedule an appointment call **940-349-8720**.

VA income is nontaxable therefore does not need to be reported to IRS.
